

# **Quarterly Community**





# **Housing Town Hall**

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### Agenda

Garrison Commander Opening Remarks

#### Garrison Updates

-Monthly Housing Meet & Greets -Speeding Enforcement Campaign -IMCOM Operation Counter Mold

#### • Housing Updates

-Housing Office -McRee Barracks -The Villages at Belvoir -Installation Safety Office

- DES Update
- DFMWR Update
- Q & A Session
- Garrison Commander Closing Remarks







# **COL Joseph Messina**

Fort Belvoir Garrison Commander Update





#### **Resilient Community**





CONNECTED LEADERSHIP



STRATEGIC COLLABORATION



#### STRENGTHENED COMMUNITY BONDS









# **DPW-Housing Division**





### Levels of Escalation



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 Both the Garrison and Villages at Belvoir have established and published their levels of escalation

#### • Important Numbers:

- Villages at Belvoir: 571-318-7546
- Garrison: 571-259-9867

#### • Renter's Insurance

- Residents are required to purchase and maintain a renter's insurance policy throughout their residency at The Villages at Belvoir.
- For more information, see The Villages at Belvoir Resident Guide, page 4.







# **McRee Unaccompanied Housing**

McRee Barracks Address

9001 Gunston Road Building 2105-A Fort Belvoir, VA 22060

#### **HOURS OF OPERATION:**

0700HRS - 1600HRS







# **Positive Progress – McRee Barracks Renovations**

#### McRee Barracks Renovations

- Provide private bedrooms with bathroom and common living areas including kitchens with enhanced cooking capabilities.
- Project will correct life, health safety deficiencies and improve Heating, Air Conditioning and hot water delivery.
- ✓ Bldgs. 2102, 2103, 2109 & 2110 are complete and 79% occupied. Bldgs. 2104 & 2111 are under renovation. Estimated completion SEP 2023.
- Army is investing roughly \$60M to improve the living conditions for Junior Enlisted SMs assigned to Fort Belvoir.







# **McRee Unaccompanied Housing**

### McRee Barracks Contact information

Unaccompanied Housing Office For information and assistance with barracks 703-806-0120/0489

Unaccompanied Housing Maintenance (Aleut) For assistance with service orders <u>during duty hours</u> 703-806-5022/5386

Unaccompanied Housing Maintenance (Aleut) For assistance with emergency service orders and lockouts

After hours

703-806-3109





# **Fort Belvoir Mayors Program**

#### **BE INFORMED. STAY CONNECTED.**

Village	Sponsoring Unit	Mayor	Email
Belvoir Village	Intelligence & Security Command INSCOM	COL Douglas Copeland	belvoirvillagemayor@gmail.com
Cedar Grove Village	Troop Command	CDR Michael Margolius	cedargrovevillages@gmail.com
Coyler Village	Troop Command	NA	Alicia.t.luster.civ@mail.mil
Dogue Creek	Office of the Chief, Army Reserve OCAR	CPT Eric Schmith	doguecreekmayor@gmail.com
Fairfax Village	The Army Aviation Brigade TAAB	LTC Catherine M. Martinez	fairfax.village.mayor@gmail.com
Gerber Village	Troop Command	NA	Alicia.t.luster.civ@mail.mil
George Washington Village	249 <sup>th</sup> EN	SGT Mike Thomas	georgewashingtonmayor@gmail.com
Herryford Village	Soldier Recovery Unit SRU	NA	Alicia.t.luster.civ@mail.mil
Jadwin Village	Missile Defense Agency MDA	CPT John Rhoten	jadwinloopmayor@gmail.com
Lewis Village	Protective Services Battalion PSB	MSgt Kalvin Moore	mayorlewisvillage@gmail.com
Park Village	HQ BN	Ms. Pamela Rhoten	parkvillagemayor@gmail.com
Rossell Village	U.S. Army Legal Services Agency - USALSA	LCDR Kristine Neele Retired	rossellvillagemayor@gmail.com
River Village	Dental Command	Ms. Hogue	rivervillagemayor@gmail.com
Vernondale Village	1 <sup>st</sup> IO	1SG Joshua Unruh	vernondalevillagemayor@gmail.com
Woodlawn Village	1 <sup>st</sup> IO	CW2 Mathew Smith	woodlawnvillagemayor@gmail.com

#### Join Your Mayor's Facebook Group



Go to **Fort Belvoir Facebook** page: FACEBOOK.COM/FORTBELVOIR/GROUPS



HOUSING RESIDENT PORTAL

#### home.army.mil/belvoir







# **HOUSING MAYORS AND DEPUTIES WANTED!**

#### USE YOUR LEADERSHIP SKILLS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY!

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#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Must be Active Duty, E6 or higher preferred.
- Must live in The Villages At Belvoir
- Have at least 1 year left on orders
- Willingness to help others
- Great Communication Skills

MAYOR/DEPUTY MAYOR VACANCIES: COLYER VILLAGE – GERBER VILLAGE – HERRYFORD VILLAGE Interested Volunteers Call: 703-898-1524







# The Villages at Belvoir Housing Update





# **Positive Progress – Housing Initiatives**

### Tons of Upcoming Events in April Featuring Month of the Military Child

- > Kicking off the month with a week-long string of Spring Break events for Fort Belvoir families including:
  - Lots of Easter and Spring crafts
  - A PJ, Pizza & Pixar movie marathon
  - A Villages-wide 12,000 count egg hunt!
  - A photo and art contest for Fort Belvoir youth to share what it means to them to be a military child prizes up to \$100!
  - > Villages at Belvoir staff will be rocking purple on April 19th for "Purple Up Day" in honor of military kids
- > And we will end the month with our much-anticipated Father Daughter Ball on April 29th!
- > Stay tuned for more information on all events





# **Housing Initiatives**

#### > Launched Initiatives to Address Concerns

- > The Villages changed HVAC PM vendor based on resident and mayor feedback
- The Villages implemented measures and utilized the RFP (Request for Proposal) process to improve performance from refuse collection contractor based on resident and mayor feedback

#### > Water Intrusion

> Plan submitted to the Army to waterproof basements of historic homes

#### > Drainage

- > Plan submitted to the Army to address major drainage concerns
- > The Villages at Belvoir has hired a Ground Supervisor to assist with installing drains for concerns

#### > Work Order Backlog

- > Emergency Work Order team established to address emergencies during business hours
- > Maintenance Techs are working later hours and on weekends to address the backlog
- > The Community Management office is following up with completed work orders on Wednesdays





# **Upcoming Housing Projects**

#### > 2023 Look Ahead:

- Continued replacement of streetlights.
  - > Plan started in 2022 with retrofitting older streetlights to be LED. This will continue in 2023.
- > Installation of Window Safety Locks on all homes.
  - > All homes will have window safety locks installed in compliance with Evan's Law.
  - Resurfacing of Tennis Courts & Basketball Courts.
  - Some of the tennis courts and basketball courts will be resurfaced in 2023 beginning a 3–5-year refresh of all tennis & basketball courts.
- > Removal of older playgrounds.
  - > A number of playgrounds will be removed to make space for other amenities.
- > Curb/Sidewalk Improvements
  - > Grinding and/or replacement of sidewalks throughout all Villages.







# **Installation Safety Office**





# Garrison Safety Update Mold: Causes and Preventions

**IMCOM Operation Counter Mold:** US Army's plan to establish a battle rhythm to counter mold through **prevention**, **education** and **mitigation**.

#### Mold Basics:

- Mold is naturally occurring—it is everywhere
- It can grow almost anywhere
- It needs moisture, oxygen, and a nutrition source
- Visible mold should be removed from living areas
- Signifies unwanted water intrusion, excess moisture, or excess humidity







# Garrison Safety Update Common Moisture Problems

- Construction related (e.g., stockpiles get wet)
- Building envelope related (e.g., improperly installed flashing, roof leak)
- Humidity related (e.g., lack of air circulation)
- Occupancy related (e.g., not using exhaust fan, excess water)
- Plumbing related (e.g., pipe leak)
- Drainage related (e.g., inadequate drainage away from house)
- HVAC related (e.g., backed-up condensate drain)





# Garrison Safety Update Mold Prevention

- Take steps to reduce unwanted water/humidity
  - Change HVAC filters
  - Run bathroom exhaust fans
  - Ensure gutters/drains channel water away from foundation
  - Ensure shower curtain is inside the bathtub/shower
  - Don't turn AC too cold in the summer...keep it >68  $^{\circ}$ F
  - Keep fan in the Auto position at all times
- Prevent dust & dirt build-up





# Garrison Safety Update Mold Prevention, Continued

- Inspect your house
  - Downspouts/drains
  - Bathroom vents, vents around house—vacuum if necessary
  - HVAC condensate line—make sure it's draining
  - Dryer duct line
- Be observant, investigate, and report asap
  - Water leaks or drips—act quickly to stop the leak
  - Water stains
  - New "musty, mildewy" smells, especially after a "flood" event
  - Listen for leaks in the attic during a rainstorm (annually)
- Leave the house better than the way you found it





### **Example Photos**



Dirt return vent cover and cleaning method





#### Clogged and dirty bathroom exhaust fan



Dirty air filter







# **Directorate of Emergency Services**



# **Fort Belvoir Fire & Emergency Services**

#### Prevent the 911 call

- Check Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Alarms-You May Save a Life Tonight
- Check Dryer Vents
- Reduce clutter / Prevent heavy fire load conditions & Egress concerns
- Familiarize yourself with your house / building layouts (kitchen location, bedrooms, occupancy loading, etc.) and other tenants.
- Exit Drills In The Home (EDITH)-Have a plan and practice it!
- Check Fire Extinguishers—Learn to <u>Pull Aim Squeeze Sweep (PASS)</u>
- Note any "Safety In Our Community" Concerns
- Reporting an Emergency
- Residential: EMERGENCY DIAL 703-781-1800

DIAL 9-1-1 (Transfer will occur)

Business Occupancy:

DIAL 9-1-1 (Belvoir Hard line Network) EMERGENCY DIAL 703-781-1800



- Things to Learn & Teach your Children !
- Facility's / Residence Physical Address

\*Check with your Supervisor to verify service provider (I.E. VOIP Users, Physical Security Restrictions, Commercial Provided Service)





- Continued low threat for crime on post.
- > Monitor your children's whereabouts.
- > Use your chain of command to resolve non-criminal issues with neighbors.
- No known specific threats. Monitor coworkers, family and friends for stress-related issues or depression and report suspicious or erratic behavior.
- Speed campaign has been ongoing for over a month. We appreciate your feedback.
- > Officer Simpson-Stokes, Community Relations/Liaison Officer Program.
- > Impaired driving is not just alcohol related offenses.
- > Active shooter is now "Armed Attacker" and law enforcement training to counter unknown threats.





# **DES - Installation Access**

- ✓ **Trusted Traveler** is in effect. Random Antiterrorism Measures (RAMs) and 100% ID checks will occur at varying times.
- ✓ Anyone may be asked for identification at any time by the Department of the Army Security Guards.
- ✓ Manning for Department of the Army Security Guards is still extremely low and is a trend in the Army.
- ✓ Valid ID: DoD Common Access Card; military retiree ID; DoD family member ID; or Fort Belvoir visitor pass.
- ✓ Travelers and passengers without a valid ID card listed above must go to the Visitor Center at Tulley Gate, weekdays, 0600 -1800hrs to get a visitor's pass. After hours vetting will be completed at Tulley Gate (Commercial /Visitor Lane).
- ✓ Visitors can also apply on-line for an Expedited Visitor Pass. Go to the Fort Belvoir Website for further information.
- ✓ All visitors, 16 and older, must have a valid driver's license, state ID card, or U.S. passport to get a Belvoir visitor pass.
- ✓ Report suspicious behavior or activities to the Fort Belvoir Emergency Control Center or Physical Security at (571) 515-2008.







# **Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare & Recreation**





# **DFMWR Update**

- EFMP Easter Egg Hunt, 1 April
- Photos with the Bunny at Bowling, 1 April
- Golf Weekend Shotguns Begin, 1 April
- Food Distribution at ACS, 6 April
- EFMP Family Game Night, 7 April
- Intro to Golf Classes Begin, 11 April
- Wounded Warrior Clinics Begin, 15 April
- Springfest, 15 April
- New York City Bus Trip, 22 April
- Installation Volunteer Luncheon at ACS, 28 April
- Play Morning, 28 April
- Youth Sports Sign Up

- Match Play Golf Tournament, 29 April
- Legoland New York City Bus Trip, 6 May
- Job Fair at the Army Museum, 10 May
- Mother's Day Brunch at the Officers' Club, 14 May
- America's Armed Forces Kids Run, 20 May
- Gary Sinise & LT Dan Band, 25 May
- Rockin' The Basin, Dates TBD
- Kids Color Run, 10 June
- Hershey Park Bus Trip, 10 June
- SAC & Youth Center Summer Camp Begins, 20 June
- Fitness 24/7 Update





# **DFMWR Update**









### **Q&A Session Ground Rules**

- One question and a follow-up question per person.
- Refrain from discussing or posting individual claims or legal issues.
- Be Respectful. Use respectful language and be courteous, when referring to others.
- Follow the existing reporting procedures, understand this forum does not replace the process. First work through your Mayors and Ombudsman for any specific concerns.
- Online viewers, post questions to the Facebook Town Hall Events Page, use the hashtag **#AskBelvoir**. Questions will be answered and published on our website within 48 72 hrs.





# **QUESTIONS?**





# Fort Belvoir Digital Garrison App

# Have you checked out the free Digital Garrison App?

The app features information specific to each user's community such as installation directory, gate locations, events and more!

### **Select: Fort Belvoir**

# NEW TO THE AREA? JUST PCS'D

Stay informed what's going on in your local installation with the **NEW** Digital Garrison app on your smartphone or tablet.





