Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield

Government Shutdown Information

PURPOSE: To provide a summary of Soldier Support and Army Military Pay Office (AMPO) availability due to a lapse in FY26 appropriations.

HOW DOES THE SHUTDOWN AFFECT PERSONNEL ACTIONS?

- Soldiers and Army Families will experience degraded Soldier Support and AMPO service, and effective immediately will receive no new PCS order approval or movement unless designated an excepted activity during a lapse of appropriation
- PCS Moves with an FY26 funding citation or published on or after 1 OCT or requiring non-temporary storage (NTS) of Household goods (HHG) are suspended unless the move is to an excepted activity.
 - PCS excepted activities include, but not limited to:
 - a) Accessions
 - b) Initial Entry Training and follow-on movement to initial duty station
 - c) Drill Sergeant / Department of the Army-Select Recruiter (DASR)
 - d) Expedited transfers
- ETS and separations will be extended by 45 days effective Oct. 22.
- Retirements will be extended to Nov. 30.
- FY 2025 funded Permanent Change of Station orders continue if they require non-temporary household goods storage.

HOW DOES THE SHUTDOWN AFFECT PAY ACTIONS?

- Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) has suspended changes to Soldier pay accounts. No changes to include receipt of new entitlements, may be made by any means to include the following:
 - -Self-service SmartVoucher or myPAY
 - -Integrated Personnel and Pay System Army (IPPS-A) Personnel Action Request (PAR)
 - -AMPO customer service
- AMPO is unable to process advances or casual pay; death gratuities are forwarded to Ft. Leavenworth for payment.
- The Audie Murphy Soldier Service Center remains fully operational with longer than usual waiting times due to reduced staffing.