

# HOUSING PRIVATIZATION

## *Success Stories*



*Privatization has brought quality homes, in record time, to Air Force families...it is a success!*

*Approximately 38,000 units at 44 bases*



*Privatized almost 70% of family housing*

*To date, more than 15,000 new homes built and more than 8,000 renovated*

*Eliminated nearly 35,000 inadequate units*

*An average of 520 new and renovated homes per month in 2010*

## *Serving Air Force families*

### ***New home for Nellis family***

Only one day after a Nellis AFB family living off-base lost all of its possessions in a fire in November 2009, the Nellis Family Housing Team gave the family a professionally-furnished home. Both parents were recovering from H1N1 flu, and the mother was pregnant with their third child. At the end of the year, Nellis Family Housing provided the family with a brand new privatized home at the installation.

"There are not words to express the relief we experienced when we were able to hand this amazing and resilient family the keys prior to the baby arriving," said Gina Slater, Hunt Asset Portfolio Manager. "It is truly an honor to have the opportunity to continue the Air Force's long tradition of caring for military families, particularly on days like this when we get to welcome such a special family into their home."

### ***Partnering for a Patrick family***

Tech. Sgt. (ret.) Shawn Mette has been battling stomach cancer since 2007. Because of his illness, he was medically retired in the spring of 2009. At that time, his family faced moving to a new home while battling his cancer because retirees were not eligible to remain in privatized housing. Thanks to the Project Owner, he has been able to stay in the same community he lived in while on active duty. "It's our company's job - and my responsibility - to take care of the families who call Patrick Air Force Base home," said Sophia Reeves, Pinnacle's Community Director for PAFB. HP Communities LLC moved the family from a two story into a one story, at no expense to the family, because Sgt. Mette has trouble going up and down stairs. In addition, HP Communities LLC has arranged for free lawn care services for as long as needed.

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### **Privatized housing honors an Air Force hero**

On Thursday, March 4, 2010, a dedication ceremony was held at Travis AFB in honor of a fallen hero, Senior Airman Jason Dean Cunningham, United States Air Force. Cunningham Way, named for SrA Cunningham, was named after the enlisted service member who was lost in the line of duty. The street dedication commemorated the heroism of SrA Cunningham, who lost his life on March 4, 2002, while giving medical treatment and saving the lives of other service members in Afghanistan. His parents, Jackie and Red Cunningham, were present for the ceremonial street naming and sign presentation, which took place at the corner of Cunningham Way and Cannon Drive, part of Travis AFB's newly opened Junior Enlisted housing neighborhood, part of the privatized housing development. For his extraordinary heroism, SrA Cunningham was posthumously awarded The Air Force Cross, The Purple Heart, and The Meritorious Service Medal. He is buried at Arlington National Cemetery and would have been 35 years old on March 27, 2010.



**The Air Force's housing privatization effort has been successful at 44 locations. The ability to partner with the private sector development community has helped the Air Force provide quality homes for Airmen and their families faster than traditional military construction programs.**

## *Building thriving Air Force communities...*

Quality housing strengthens our families and is important to the readiness and retention of our Airmen.

- Through the Housing Privatization program, the Air Force, in partnership with private industry, is creating the thriving communities and quality homes Air Force families deserve
- Quality housing ensures deployed personnel do not have to worry about their families while they are away

The program has significantly improved housing choices for Airmen.

- Nearly 38,000 homes have been privatized at 44 bases to Airmen and their families since the first homes were privatized at Lackland AFB, Texas, in 1998
- Air Force goal is to select highest ranked private developer offerors for remaining projects as well as negotiate and close these projects by the end of FY2011
- As of 28 February 2011, we have provided our Airmen more than 15,000 new and 8,000 renovated homes for a total of more than 23,000 homes

Privatized housing continues the sense of community military families depend upon.

- Community amenities can include community centers, swimming pools, playgrounds, ball fields, jogging trails, and picnic shelters
- Homes can include amenities such as fenced yards, automatic garage doors, upgraded appliances, and more storage
- Families are still close to work, support services, shopping, and other necessities of daily life