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SUBJECT: Command and Community Responsibilities Concerning Fort Hood Family Housing

REFERENCES.

- a. III Corps and Fort Hood Regulation (FH Reg) 210-48, Installation Housing Community Standards, 11 January 2011.
- b. III Corps and Fort Hood Regulation (FH Reg) 600-20, Community Life Program, 1 October 2001.
- 2. APPLICABILITY. This policy applies to all personnel on Fort Hood.

3. POLICY.

- a. Maintaining great residential communities on Fort Hood is of the utmost importance to our Soldiers and their Families. Residing on post is a privilege, not a right, and all must work together to ensure that housing areas are exemplary in appearance and safe for all residents. III Corps and FH Reg 210-48, Installation Housing Community Standards, outlines the responsibilities of Soldiers and their Families who reside in on-post housing, as well as the responsibilities of the Supporting Unit and Community Life Program leaders who enforce the regulation under the Community Life Program (CLP). It is also the responsibility of the Soldier's unit to be accountable for its Soldier and to ensure the Soldier meets his/her obligations while living in on-post housing. The goal of the program is to assist in the management of and foster a sense of community pride in each of the Family housing neighborhoods.
- b. <u>Soldiers</u>. Soldiers residing in on-post housing are responsible to maintain their housing according to the standards outlined in III Corps and FH Reg 210-48. Responsibilities also include ensuring their house and the exterior are maintained during their absence (for example, unaccompanied tours, deployments, deferred travel, and personal travel) according to the standards outlined in this regulation.
- c. <u>Soldier's Unit/Chain of Command</u>. The Soldier's chain of command (CofC) is responsible and accountable for their Soldier. The CofC will ensure the Soldier complies with III Corps and FH Reg 210-48, and will become involved with

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issues concerning the Soldier's health, welfare, and safety regarding their housing situation. Should a Soldier or Family abandon on-post housing, the CofC will accompany housing representatives for both the Army and the Residential Communities Initiative (RCI) Partner to determine the status of the house and inspect for damages. Housing is considered abandoned when a Soldier or Family no longer resides in a house for a period of 30 consecutive days or longer without proper notification to housing. If abandonment is confirmed, the CofC will inventory any items remaining at the house, pack, and store them. It is also the responsibility of the CofC to clear Family Housing for Soldiers in the following situations: (1) Absent Without Leave and/or dropped from the rolls; or (2) on a dependent-restricted tour and the spouse abandons the Family Housing unit.

- d. Sponsoring Unit. In an effort to improve the procedures for enforcement of the housing standards in Fort Hood's communities, I have assigned a Brigade Commander to each village as the Sponsoring Unit (SU). I expect each SU Commander to be engaged in all aspects of ensuring housing areas are safe, orderly, exemplary in appearance, and an all-round enjoyable place to live. Operation Orders (OPORD) will be published, identifying supporting units responsible for each village. The SU Commander will appoint a Regional Community Life Officer (RCLO) who will supervise and support the CLP in assigned regions, as well as Community Life Noncommissioned Officers (CLNCO) for the villages to support the program and enforce community standards. The SU will report personnel replacements to the Installation Community Life Officer (ICLO) and the RCI Partner and will work with III Corps and Garrison to resolve problems and needs identified by the mayor. The SU will hold annual mayoral elections, make findings and recommendations to the Commander. III Corps and Fort Hood, regarding the effectiveness of mayors, appoint or arrange election of mayoral replacements, and work with the mayors and the RCI Partner to develop spirit and pride in the community.
- e. <u>Village Mayors</u>. In accordance with III Corps and FH Reg 600-20, the mayor is the liaison between III Corps, Garrison and village residents. He/she does not become involved in resolving disputes. He/she receives assistance and guidance from the SU; develops and administers the CLP; represents the community; passes information between command and residents; initiates actions; and keeps the ICLO and the RCI Partner informed of ongoing issues, actions and events concerning the village. He/she selects qualified village staff; recruits and trains volunteers, to include a vice mayor to assist in duties; removes staff who are hindering the program; enrolls in the Fort Hood Volunteer Program; and reports monthly volunteer hours. The mayor attends special

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meetings, to include the Community Services Council (CSC), Regional Community Actions Council (RCAC), and mayoral training. The mayor plans a calendar of events in coordination with the RCI Partner, to include distribution of a monthly newsletter with input from the RCI Partner; town hall meetings (at least quarterly); community safety days; teen dances; Family fun days; and volunteer recognition programs. The mayor also assists with community news boards in villages.

- f. Recycling. Soldiers residing in on-post housing are required to actively participate in the Fort Hood Recycle Program. Residents are required to separate recyclable materials from their garbage and place them at the curb in support of solid waste diversion and net zero waste goals. Sponsoring units and mayors are encouraged to support recycling in the housing areas. Additional information on recycling can be found in FH Reg 420-6 (Recycle Program).
- g. <u>Housing Evictions</u>. The Commander, US Army Garrison, exercises broad and independent discretion in determining whether to evict Soldiers from on-post housing IAW the grounds and procedures in III Corps and FH Reg 210-48. Commanders at all levels may request that the Commander, US Army Garrison, consider evicting a Soldier from on-post housing. The point of contact for such requests is the Housing Sergeant Major, Building 18010, 288-7761.
- 4. EXPIRATION. This Fort Hood Command Policy Memorandum supersedes Command Policy DPW-02, dated 2 November 2009, and will remain in effect until superseded or rescinded.

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