RECP Concept

Encourage and incentivize energy conservation by families living in USMC privatized family housing.

Make more funds available to improve family housing, playgrounds and community centers.

Improve the quality of life for those who live in Marine Corps family housing.

Create a culture of conservation and help the Marine Corps reduce overall energy consumption from **bases to battlefields**.

RECP Tentative Roll-out Schedule

Final planning/ Coordination	Jan – Mar '12
3-month advance notice to residents	Apr '12
Execute Lease Modification	Apr – Sep '12
Mock Billing (3 months min.)	Jul – Sep '12
*Actual schedule may vary at each installation or base	
Commence Live Billing	Oct '12 – Sep '13

Note: your basic allowance for housing is only expected to cover normal utilities use, not excess.

Marine Corps RECP Guarantee:
3-month advance notice to existing residents
3-month mock billing to all residents

A "Culture of Conservation"

The USMC Energy Strategy **"Bases to Battlefields"** begins at home. Saving energy saves you money and is good for everyone.

> "Pay attention to the little things, like how much you heat or cool the place you're living in."
>
> Raymond E. Mabus
> Secretary of the Navy

> "Changing the way we use energy is essential to preparing our Corps for the future."
>
> James F. Amos
> General, U.S. Marine Corps
> Commandant of the Marine Corps

For more information on the RECP please contact your local Military Housing Office or Privatized Military Housing provider.

Marine Corps Family Housing

RESIDENT ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAM

Why RECP?

- RECP is good for Marines and their families.
- Saving energy saves you money.
- The funds saved by RECP will be used to improve your homes, playgrounds, community centers, and therefore, your quality of life.
- Energy Conservation is important to the nation and the Marine Corps.
- Demonstrated success in the RECP Pilot program conducted in 2011.

How does RECP Work?

To run the Marine Corps Resident Energy Conservation Program, we:

1. Establish a group of "housing types" based on size, style, age, number of bedrooms and other factors that influence energy conservation.
2. Meter usage in all housing types each month.
3. Calculate the average usage for all housing types each month.
4. Create a 10 percent buffer above and below the average usage type to establish the average range of usage.
5. Families consuming less utilities than average range will be rewarded for their energy conservation by being paid for the difference under the average usage.
6. Families with excessive usage that is above the average range will be billed for the difference that is over the average usage range.

What can you do?

Check your home for inefficiencies, such as windows that do not close properly.

Ask your privatized military housing provider for an energy audit of your home.

Talk to your family members about how they can save energy by doing little things, such as:

- Unplugging unused electronics and chargers.
- Turning off unused lights.
- Washing and drying only full loads of laundry using the coldest settings possible.
- Using the dishwasher for full loads only and using the air dry feature instead of heat.

Additional strategies and tips are available on-line or by calling your PPV housing office

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