Commanding Officer's Unit, Personal, and Family Readiness Program Policy



The Steel Rain Family includes its Marines, Sailors, and Civilians, as well as their family members and friends. There is no more important resource to the success of our unit or the Marine Corps at large than our individual Marines and Sailors. They joined the military for the challenge it presents, but they share the challenges with the family that supports the service member. The Unit, Personal, and Family Readiness Program (UPFRP) exists to enhance mission accomplishment by supporting resilient service members and families. There is no greater charge to this command than to enable both the personal and professional success of every Marine and Sailor.

I have witnessed the positive effects a healthy UPFRP can have on a command. As the Commanding Officer, I am committed to providing every resource, every opportunity, every bit of support to assist our Marines and Sailors in strengthening their families. To that end, this command will have a viable Unit, Personal and Family Readiness Program that supports our Marines, Sailors, and their families. Individual Marines and Sailors, especially those with a family, are responsible for their family's care and readiness. Marines and Sailors with a spouse and/or children will maintain an accurate, up-to-date Family Care Plan which will be validated prior to deployment.

The Deployment Readiness Coordinator (DRC) manages our Unit, Personal and Family Readiness Program. She will respond to concerns quickly and will provide answers or referrals for resources as soon as possible. The DRC will serve as the primary link between the members of this command and services available to our families and will serve as the primary communication link between the command and the families of our battalion. To accomplish these responsibilities, the DRC works with the entire chain of command, to include members of the Family Readiness Command Team: Executive Officer, Sergeant Major, our Command Team Volunteer Advisor, Family Readiness Assistants, and myself.

Every member of the command and families should join the battalion's family readiness page on Facebook and Instagram at: 5/11 Family Readiness

For information and assistance in all Family Readiness matters, contact the DRC, Ms. Jessica Page at jessica.page@usmc.mil.

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