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HANSCOM INSIGHTS NEWS & STORIES



PROUDLY SUPPORTING THE MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

Our President's Message



April is the Month of the Military Child and during this month especially, Hunt Military Communities celebrates the youngest members of our communities. The smallest warriors, the children, often make some of the most significant sacrifices moving from state to state, school to school, and having

parents deployed for long periods, along with many other challenges military families face. We are proud to acknowledge and support the tremendous strength and resiliency children of our military families display. This year, for the first time, we are launching "Hunt Little Heroes." We ask that your children share stories of what they think it takes to be a hero and how they've been a positive influence in their community. Applicants are asked to submit a 300-word essay, a video no longer than 2 minutes, or a drawing telling their "Hero Story" in their own unique way. For the "younger" heroes, a photo with a short blurb may also be submitted. All applicants will receive a complimentary Hunt Little Heroes cape and mask. Each selected Hunt Little Hero will act as "Hero for the day" at a special celebratory event at their local Hunt community in honor of Month of the Military Child. Applicants can visit <https://www.huntmilitarycommunities.com/our-communities> to see whether they qualify and to submit their story. From all of us here at HMC, thank you for your service and sacrifice.

Best,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Ehle".

John Ehle
President
Hunt Military Communities



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We Are All in This Together

"When things do not go your way, remember that every challenge, every adversity, contains within it the seeds of opportunity and growth. Challenge and adversity are meant to help you know who you are. Storms hit your weakness, but unlock your true strength." ~Credit to Goodreads.

Our Hanscom Family Housing community has taken these changes and expectations in stride, and in so many situations shown the most beautiful side of being neighborly. On any given day in a military community, neighbors support neighbors during deployments, TDY's, and times when the call to duty changes a family's norm.

This month, however, our community has hidden teddy bears in bushes, put letters in windows, hung hearts across neighborhoods, all to create the appropriate distance from each other for wellness, but also to create a sense of spirit and togetherness as we remain socially distanced on our walks through neighborhoods. Inspirational messages are written in sidewalk chalk for passersby, the painted doors with symbols of hope, the porch pick up lunches made available by a student on base for anyone who needs a meal, the photographer donating time to memorialize the best of this very difficult time, these are just a few of the examples from our neighbors and Hanscom Family Housing Community. Rising to the challenge with humor, kindness, and hope together, and dealing with the cards we have been dealt.





April 22nd is the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day!

Friendly Reminder

Please remember that if you are raking up spring lawns and bagging your grass clippings and any leftover leaves, they need to be bagged in paper bags only - preferably lawn care paper bags. Please call in a work order when you are ready for them to be picked up and they are curbside, as the trash contractor will not pick up lawn or landscaping bags. Plastic bags are NOT acceptable for lawn care pick up.

March Recap

It is so hard to believe that the month of March was spent wrapping our minds around the impact of Corona Virus, and the impact of COVID-19 on not only our world, but our state, our community, and our families. The challenges we face and our new short term (we hope) social norms are unprecedented in many of our lifetimes. Social distancing, food item rationing, schools closed for the season, no dining in restaurants and restricting take out has given us a new way of life for the moment. As such, we move into April, recognizing some amazing moments existed.

We Are Celebrating Acts of Kindness

Here at Hanscom Family Housing, over the next few months we'd like to highlight the acts of kindness of neighbors in our community. Are you aware of a situation where a neighbor practiced a niceness or made a gesture (while honoring the expectations of social distancing) to help others in our community? Please send us an email with a brief explanation of the neighborly act, and the name and address of the neighbor you would like to nominate for their neighbor's niceness. Every neighborly submission will be highlighted and honored for their community contribution. You should email them to elizabeth.rexford@huntcompanies.com.

Recipe Corner

During this time that we are staying at home, here are a few good and easy recipes with canned goods that are sure to be a hit!

Lightened Up Buffalo Chicken Dip:

INGREDIENTS

2 cups frozen or canned chicken
1/2 cup hot sauce
1 block reduced fat cream cheese
1/2 light ranch dressing

INSTRUCTIONS

Combine chicken and hot sauce and heat until warm on the stovetop. Stir in cream cheese and ranch dressing. Heat until melted together. Serve with your favorite cracker or veggie dippers!

Stuffed Mini Peppers:

INGREDIENTS

10 mini sweet peppers
3/4 cup refried beans
1/2 cup jarred salsa verde

INSTRUCTIONS

Mix beans and salsa together. Salt and pepper to taste. Slice peppers lengthwise and take out the seeds. Fill with bean filling and bake on a cookie sheet for 15-20 minutes at 375 degrees.

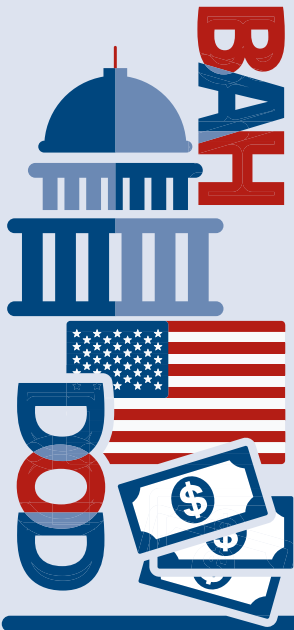
Thank You John Tew!

We bid a fond farewell to John Tew, Maintenance Director here at Hanscom Family Housing when he retired on March 27th. We are wishing he and his family all our best on their next adventures!

Happy Easter!



WHERE DOES YOUR BAH WITH HUNT MILITARY COMMUNITIES GO?

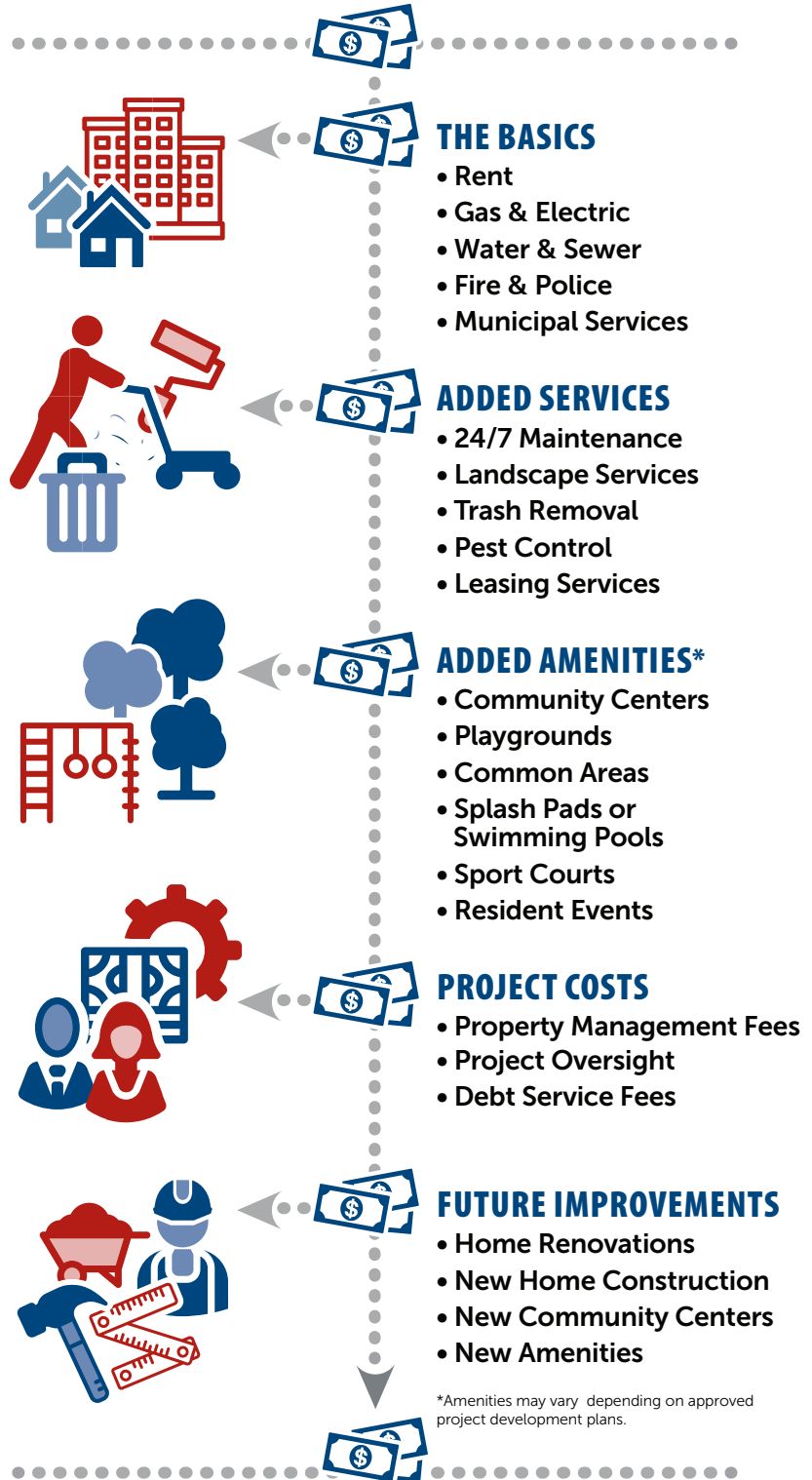


Your Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) is the stipend the Department of Defense allocates for you to pay for the majority of rent and utilities.

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Your BAH with Hunt Military Communities Includes:



BAH funds are reinvested back into the project for current and future service members' needs.