

USACC Leased Government Housing Program Frequently Asked Questions



USACC Service Members may be assigned to a location where the Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) does not support the local housing cost, and military housing is not available within a reasonable commuting distance from their duty station.

The Leased Government Housing (LGH) Program was established to improve the quality of life of Service Members assigned to USACC, in order to prevent the SM from incurring excessive out-of-pocket expenses.

Who can apply for the LGH Program?

Service Members (SM) of all ranks may be eligible for the program if they meet one or more of the following criteria:

- No housing is available within 90 days for the SM and their dependents at their assigned duty location.
- Suitable housing within the Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) rate for the SM and their dependents is unavailable within a 50-mile radius or a one-hour commute from their assigned duty location.

Can Service Members currently at their USACC duty station still apply?

Yes, Service Members can apply if they meet the eligibility criteria and have at least 12 months remaining at their duty station. The application process includes a minimum processing time of 34 days.

When should a Service Member apply?

The SM should apply as soon as they receive their orders and identify a need for assistance. While not required, submitting the application at least 45 days before the PCS/duty station arrival date is preferred. Once accepted, USACE begins the home search no earlier than 34 days before the requested move-in date.

Who is responsible for utilities?

The government covers the cost of rent and utilities, including electricity, water, gas, oil, sewage, trash collection, and parking. However, internet, cable, and phone expenses are not included.

What happens to the Service Member's BAH?

Service Members must stop their BAH when assigned LGH quarters by processing the request through their command. If two SMs are married to each other and jointly occupy family-type quarters, both must forfeit their BAH.

Is the Service Member responsible for the lease?

The lease agreement is exclusively between USACE and the property owner/manager; the SM's name is not listed on the lease.

Are pets allowed?

Service Members may have up to two pets (e.g., 2 dogs, 2 cats, or 1 dog and 1 cat). USACE will attempt to find housing that accommodates pets, but this is subject to market conditions and landlord restrictions. Army-Wide Pet Policy restrictions apply.

Does the program require any deposits?

Service Members are not authorized to pay any deposits (for rent or pets) or application fees.

What types of dwellings are approved?

Approved dwellings include apartments/condominiums, duplexes, townhouses, and single-family homes. Properties must be safe, decent, sanitary, located in low-crime areas, and cannot be in golf communities or near water features or bodies of water.

How long does the application process take?

The application processing time, including the home search, is at least 34 days from the time USACE receives the application. Submission and acceptance of an application does not guarantee housing will be located or secured under the LGH program.

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