

Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS) Hampton Roads
Special Needs Forum and Installation Family Readiness Council (IFRC)
4th Qtr. FY 18 / 25 September 2018

MCCS Camp Allen Personnel:

Vincent Negrón, MCCS Director

Karina Phillips, MCCS Deputy Director, EFMP Program Manager

Tracy Fearon, MCFTB Director, MCCS Coordinator

Mike Corrie, Semper Fit Director

Renee McCoy, EFMP TEO Specialist

Colin Moore, SMP Coordinator

Melanie Krogh, MCFTB Trainer

Brenda Wilson, MCFTB Trainer

Command Representatives

EWTGLANT: Col John Barranco, CO; SgtMaj Daniel Wilson, SEA; CW03
Michelle Lynch, URC

MACS 24: SSgt Christopher Georgia, URC

MARDET Dam Neck: Capt Joseph Livi, URC

MARDET NSOM: CW05 Benjamin Bartholomew, CO; GySgt Shannon Farquhar, URC

MARFORCOM & MARFORCOM HQSVCBN: Col Thomas Campbell, CO HQSVCBN; SgtMaj
Adam Moore, SEA

MCSCG: GySgt Dytrick Whitters, URC

MCSFR: Doretta Richardson, DRC; Gloria Polite, MFLC

VMM 774/MAG 49 DET D: LtCol Matt Crouch, CO; LtCol Anthony Sferrazza,
CO; Maj Ben Potter, URC

Other Community Representatives

Joanna Strong, Housing Service Center, Norfolk *

Sheila Crute, Family Housing, NWS Yorktown*

Danielle Mathis, Family Housing, NAS Oceana*

Celeste Lane, Family Housing*

Summer Allen, Family Housing*

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Monica Ndaw, Family Housing, JEBLCFS*

Terrilyn Williams, School Liaison, Norfolk Naval Shipyard*

* present for Special Needs Forum only

0915 Opening Remarks

- Tracy Fearon, MCFTB Director, opened up the session
- Welcomed attendees and introduced Col Campbell, SgtMaj Moore, Vincent Negron, and Karina Phillips
- Round table introductions

0918 EFMP TEO Renee McCoy

- The EFMP location is in Portsmouth at Naval Medical Center Portsmouth, Building 3 on the 4th floor. Program Manager is located at Camp Elmore, in the MCCS Admin Building. Camp Elmore EFMP supports all EFM families from Ft. Lee and throughout Hampton Roads.
- EFMP partners with other community resources to provide opportunities and events for EFMP families. Upcoming events:
 - o Medicaid Waivers: WPNSTA Yorktown Fleet & Family Support Center, 28 September 1100 & 1800
 - o EFM Forum and Resource Fair, 2 October 0830-2300 Joint Base Langley-Eustis
 - o 2018 Community Resource Fair, 24 October 1830-2030, Landstown High School Virginia Beach. For more information call 757-263-2066
 - o Annual "Gunny Claus" visit for Camp Elmore EFMP families. 1 December, Camp Elmore. For currently enrolled Marine Corps EFMP families. Call the TEO at 757-953-2222 to register or for more information.

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- Respite care, 20 hours per month in six hour increments, for Level of Need three and four. This service relieves the primary care giver in order to rest and practice self-care
- EFMP is available for EFMP briefs at BITS Training or any other PME event
- EFMP sponsors are required to update EFM's paperwork every three years or as changes occur. Quarterly Commander's Reports are sent to give disposition of commands EFM sponsors

0925 Guest Speaker, Elaina Dariah, Outreach Specialist for 211 Southeast Virginia / <https://www.211virginia.org/consumer/index.php>

- 211 Virginia connects people with free information on available community services
- Trained professional listens to situation and suggests sources of help
- One of largest databases of health and human services in Virginia
- Available in every state in USA and most of Canada
- By phone, text, or online
- Example of referrals available:
 - o Food and nutrition programs
 - o Emergency information and disaster relief
 - o Veterans' services
 - o Addiction programs
- Also has a language bank for translation services

0935 Break

0945 Reconvene

- Effective immediately Camp Allen will be known as Camp Elmore.
 - o No historical evidence of name being changed to Camp Allen
 - o Camp Elmore is significant because it is the only Camp named for an enlisted Marine

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- o Signage will be changed starting immediately

0947 Sgt Jared Brinegar spoke, representing the MCX, Service Station, Car Wash, and vending

- Uniform items that cannot be found at the MCX can be purchased online
- Upcoming: October tactical sale
- Planned for future: promotions for Service Station
- For commands wanting to fundraise, MCCS will shut down a bay of the carwash. Command gets 100% of proceeds

0948 Colin Moore, SMP Coordinator

- Colin expressed his thanks to all command leadership who supports the SMP by allowing their representatives to participate on the SMP Council, attend the meetings, and participate in events
- SMP Council meetings are the second Thursday of the month at 1130 in the MAC Center on board Camp Elmore. Senior command leadership is encouraged to attend
- If quality of life issues are brought up they are solved at the local level
- Education of single Marines via the SMP is a priority. A different guest speaker providing information and resources is invited to the meetings to expand upon Marines' knowledge
- 9-14 September Colin and several SMP reps traveled to California for the SMP Symposium. The #1 need identified by the single Marines was direct support from SEAs
- Camp Elmore was recognized for having a total of 639 volunteers contribute a total of 241 hours of service
- The SMP is an inspectable program; include SMP representatives in command briefs

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- Next SMP meeting is October 11th, at which time elections for officers will be conducted. If commands have an outstanding Marine they would like to nominate, contact Colin ~ 445-5104.
 - o Vincent Negrón added many junior Marines are getting actively involved in the SMP and taking on leadership roles
 - o Commands that support the program see a positive impact on their Marines

1004 Vincent Negrón spoke about Camp Elmore Indoor Shooting Range

- Range is currently closed, will reopen in mid-October
- Proposed classes that will be offered in the future:
 - o Basic firearms
 - o Marksmanship
 - o Shooting leagues
 - o Navy qualifications
 - o Marine Corps quals coming in future

0958 Mike Corrie, Semper Fit Director, spoke about Semper Fit and Outdoor Rec

- 5k and Resource Fair on 21 September was a success
- Coming up, Marine Corps Birthday Run on NAVSTA Norfolk, 8 November
 - o Hosted by HQSVCBN, all commands encouraged to participate
 - o Great opportunity for Marines to get involved
 - o Birthday shirts will be given away
- No HITT classes currently scheduled
 - o Classes can be specific to your command and be done on-site
- Semper Fit needs to be invited to commands, cannot just "show up"
 - o Consider them your one-stop shop for health promotions topics: alcohol/substance abuse training, STD awareness, nutrition, etc.
- Semper Fit will be introducing the "Commander's Cup" challenge

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- o Four single-day events, one each quarter
- o Events will include shooting contest at CE Indoor Shooting Range, basketball, and two other TDB events
 - Winners will receive trophies
- o LOI will be coming out shortly
- Outdoor Recreation (ODR)
 - o Holiday season is coming up, use ODR for tables, chairs, coolers, bounce houses and more
 - o Equipment for command events can be submitted to Tracy at MCFTB
 - o Get requests in early, as equipment is first-come, first served

1010 Tracy Fearon spoke about MCFTB

- Putting on the Glitz was held 8 September, 23 USMC spouses received gowns and pampering
 - o Main issued continues to be getting the word out
 - Please offer an assist by passing information to Marines and spouses
- This holiday season MCFTB will be offering "glitter and glue" tables at command holiday parties
 - o Reserve dates early
- Volunteer Appreciation 2019 will be held in April at the Doubletree Hotel on Military Highway
- Ooh Rah Day/Regional Field Meet will be on June 21, 2019
- Unit funds must be used by end of January 2019
 - o Navy MWR funds are available to units that are tenant commands on Navy installations
- Tracy talked about the reset of the Unit, Personal, & Family Readiness Program (UPFRP)
 - o UPFRP is still a required, inspectable commander's program

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- MCO 1754.9a is still in revision
- Reset is outlined in MARADMIN 166/18
- DRC/URC training is highly required for all new URCs and highly recommended as a refresher for others
 - Training 15 and 16 October
- Command Team Training, only new members attend

1030 Guest Speaker: Mark Munger, Southeast Region Network Coordinator, Marine for Life / www.marineforlife.org

- Marine for Life provides connections to resources for Marines, Veterans, and family members
- Can be used anything throughout a Marine's career
- Marine For Life Cycle has touchpoints throughout a Marine's career.
- Has connections with various employers
- Spouses can use as well.
- Goal is to empower service members and families to seek out answers and opportunities
- Marines transitioning 2 years out are to look at separation/retirement classes being offered and recommended to take them. Retirement classes are recommended to take at least twice within the 6 months of retiring. Career Planner to arrange re-enlistment or separation.
- MOL locations; mainly web-based however they do have three locations within the United States; Camp Pendleton, Dallas-Ft.Worth JRB, and Camp Lejeune. There are 300 individuals with the company that are all part-time servicing the entire United States doing various functions and events as well.

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1046 Closing Comments

-Vincent Negron: SMP program meetings making them VTC capable however has to be unclassified VTC

-Col Thomas Campbell: With MCSFR moving from the barracks to Yorktown, attendance/support to MCCS facilities is vital to keep these facilities available to Marines and Sailors.

- 3 Nov: MARFORCOM Ball
- 8 Nov: Marine Corps Birthday Run; all are invited, commanders with platoons encouraged
- 9 Nov: Uniform of the Day: Blue Charlies

-SgtMaj Moore: Encouraged attendance for the Marine Corps Birthday Ball on 3 November. Mentioned that if they don't attend, "they will still participate." Tickets are available at the ITT Ticket office at the MCX at Camp Elmore.

- 9 Nov: Marine Corps Birthday Meal at Chow Hall on Camp Elmore

1057 Adjourn. 1st QTR FY2019 date/time, TBD.