

Air Force Utility Allowance (UA) Program Town Hall

Buckley Installation Briefers (AFCEC Rep & Hunt Rep) 8/27/2025





Why a Utility Allowance (UA)?

- Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) includes two components: one for rent, and one for utilities
- Department of Defense policy on Utility Allowance is to:
 - Encourage conservation by making residents responsible for their energy consumption (electricity and natural gas)
 - Reward Service members who conserve utilities to keep the difference between the cost of their consumption and the UA
 - Provide Services with the flexibility to adjust the UA based on actual consumption data and experience with the initial methodology
 - Conservation of utilities lowers demand on the grid increasing the resilience of the system to support mission requirements



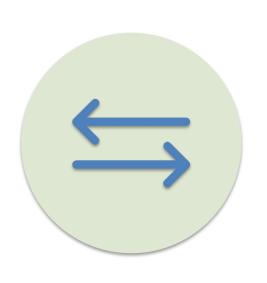
OVERVIEW OF THE AIR FORCE UA PROGRAM



Air Force UA Program Key Changes



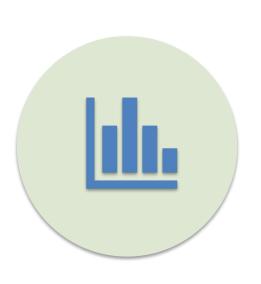
1) BAH & UA Credits: Residents no longer receive BAH utility credits. The rent amount is equal to the full BAH allotment (less any rent concessions), with no utility credit applied.



2) Billing Transition: A three-month mock billing period is in effect from January to March 2025 under the new methodology. Live billing will commence in April 2025.



3) New UA Billing Method: The UA method is now based on a monthly baseline method. Under this new system, a portion of your BAH is allocated to the Utility Allowance. This allowance is based on normal monthly usage baselines for each liketype home group.



4) Over-Consumption and Under-Consumption Billing: Residents are billed monthly for usage that exceeds the established baseline (over-consumption) and may receive rebates for usage below the baseline (under-consumption) to encourage energy conservation.

Air Force UA Transition Milestones

JAN 2025:

TRANSITION BEGAN

- Begin **Collecting Full** BAH (No UA Credits)

MAR 2025:

2nd MOCK STATEMENT

(February Usage)

4th MOCK **STATEMENT**

MAY 2025:

(April Usage)

Current Step

JUL 2025:

2nd LIVE **STATEMENT**

> (June Usage)

















FEB 2025:

1st MOCK **STATEMENT**

(January Usage)

Skipped issuing mock statements due to Xcel Energy delays

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2025: 3rd **MOCK STATEM**

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JUN 2025:

1st LIVE **STATEM ENT**

(May Usage)

AUG 2025:

3rd LIVE **STATEMENT** (July Usage)

How are LTG's Determined?



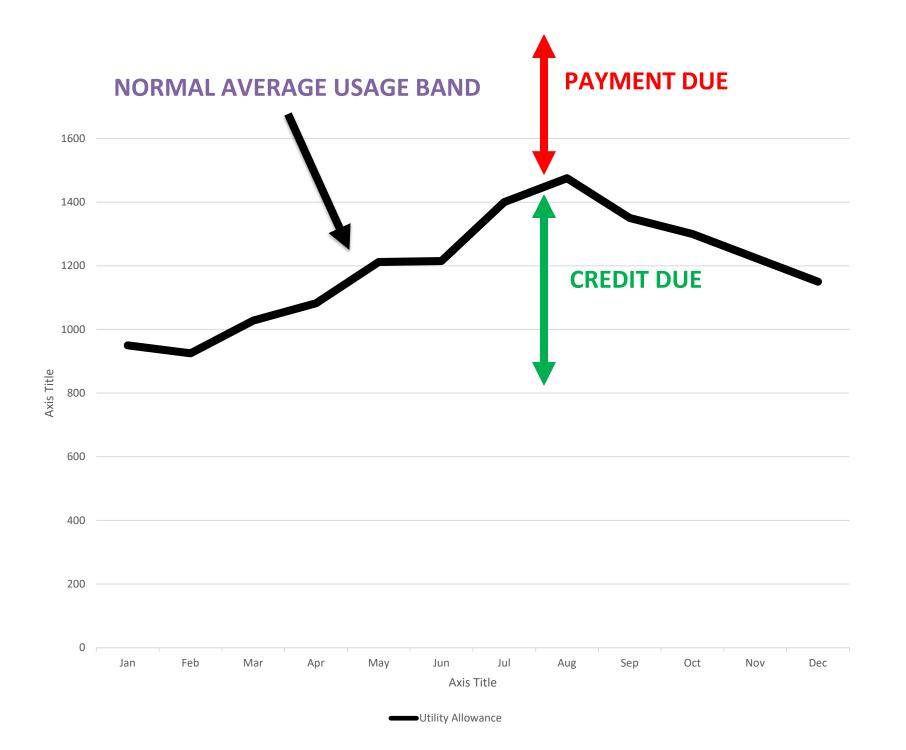
Like Type Groups:

- Homes are grouped together in "Like Type Groups" (LTGs) based on factors that influence energy usage including:
 - Size (sqftg, number of bedrooms)
 - Age of the home (year built)
 - Construction style and thermal characteristics
 - Variations in type of heating and cooling equipment
- ***Family size is not a factor***

Small Like Type Groups:

- For small groups with fewer than 10 homes or unique homes, the baseline average will be determined using:
 - 5 Year Rolling Average Method
 - Per Square Foot Method

Overview of the UA Billing Process



How Are UA Payments & Credits Determined?

- 1) Establish the baseline average for every LTG (by commodity):
 - Remove Exclusions: Vacant/Partially Occupied Homes, Estimates, Homes with Electric Vehicles, and Civilians
 - Eliminate the Highest 10% and Lowest 10% of Users (If >10 homes in a LTG)
- 2) Compare each home's usage against the baseline average:
 - REBATE ISSUED: If your usage is BELOW the baseline, you will be eligible for a credit
 - PAYMENT DUE: If your usage is ABOVE the baseline, you will need to pay for the extra usage
- 3) Apply the \$50 threshold:
 - Payments/Rebates BELOW the \$50 Threshold: NO ACTION (unless the cumulative balance exceeds the threshold)
 - Payments/Rebates ABOVE the \$50 Threshold: PAYMENT DUE or REBATE ISSUED
 - At the Baseline: If your usage falls equal to the normal average usage amount, you will owe nothing (covered by BAH)

3rd Live Billing Statement

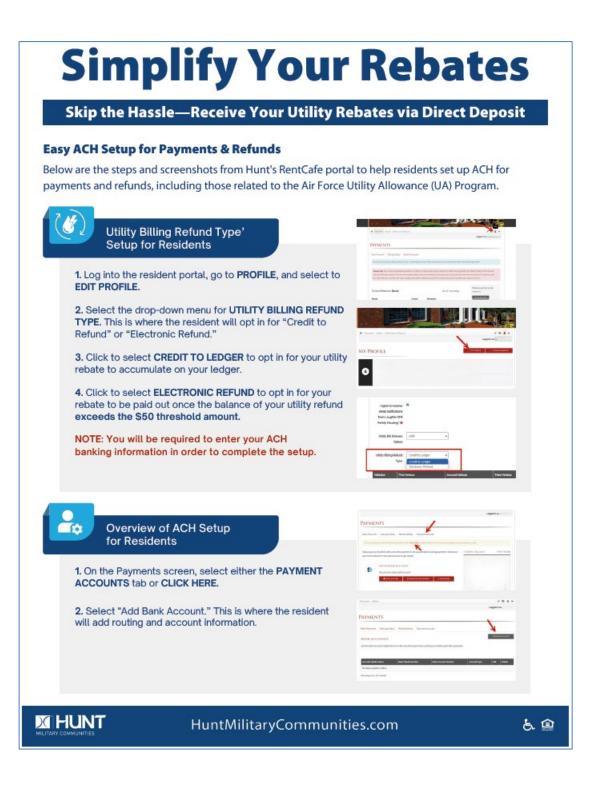
Average Live Bill Outcomes – July 2025 Service Period (AUGUST 2025 YES Statements)

• Total Billable Active Duty Residents = **318**

	ABOVE the Baseline Avg	At the Baseline Avg	BELOW the Baseline Avg
Number of Residents	163 residents (51.3%)	0	155 residents (48.7%)
Average Bill/Rebate Amount	\$57.56	\$0	(\$56.25)
Number of Residents >\$50 Threshold	63 residents (19.8%)	\$0	72 residents (22.6%)
Average Bill/Rebate Amount >\$50 Threshold	\$115.27	\$0	(\$96.38)

The majority of residents in the Community (80% of residents) would have NO ACTION required in this billing period (i.e. below the \$50 payment/rebate threshold).

Hunt Resident Portal

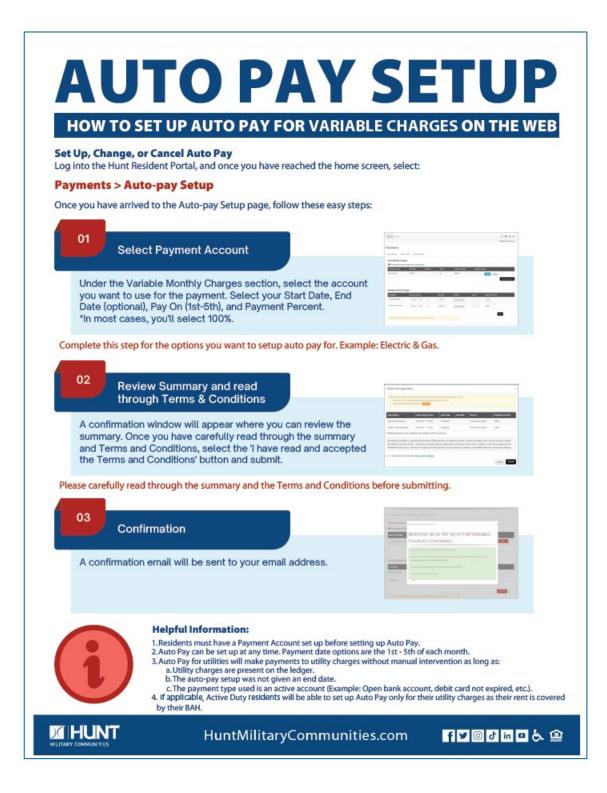


How to Register for Auto Payments:

- Go to PAYMENTS, select AUTO PAY SETUP.
- Select your Payment Account, Start Date, and Payment Percent (in most cases you'll select 100%).

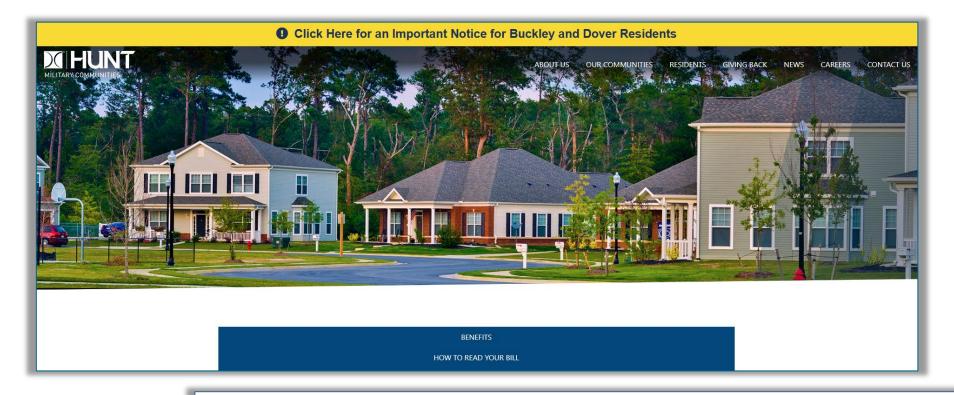
How to Opt In for Electronic Refunds:

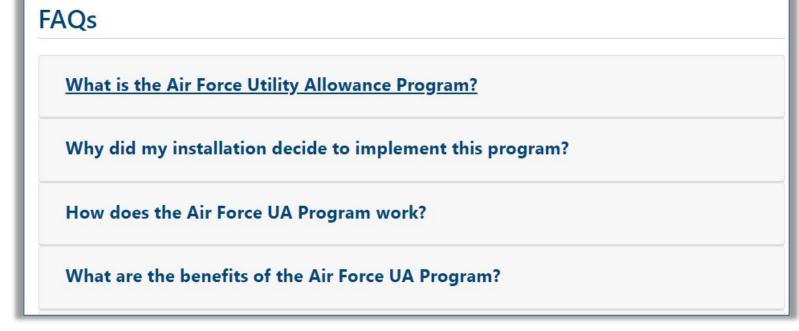
- Go to the resident portal, select EDIT PROFILE.
- Click the UTILITY BILLING REFUND TYPE drop-down menu.
- Click to select ELECTRONIC REFUND.
- IMPORTANT NOTE: You will be required to enter your ACH banking info to complete auto pay and electronic refund setup.

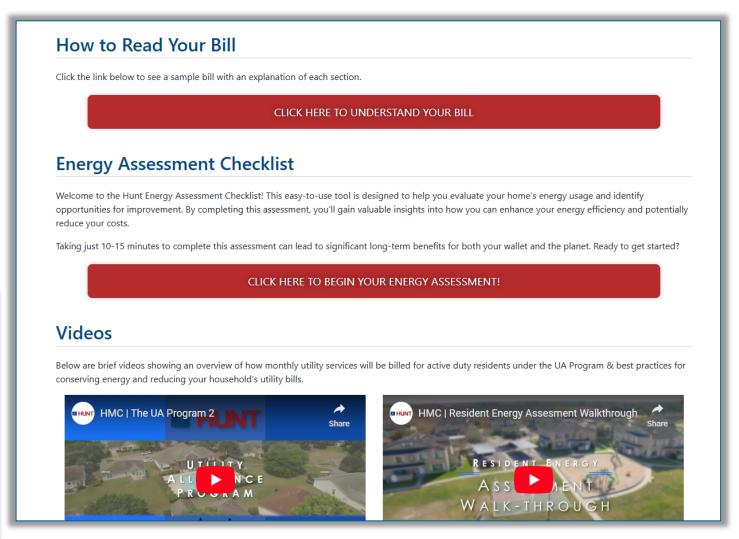


Dedicated Air Force UA Program Website

WEBSITE LINK: https://www.huntmilitarycommunities.com/resident-utility-program









YES Energy Resident Billing Service

Hunt Military Communities has partnered with YES Energy, a leading energy and metering company, for the administration of the resident utility conservation program.



Account Payments

A variety of convenient payment options including automatic payments are available on the Hunt Resident Portal.



Statements and Notices

The new and improved monthly statements are now easier to read and understand. Statements will continue to be emailed and/or mailed to your home each month and will also be available electronically in the Hunt Resident Portal.



Customer Assistance - Available Now!

Contact the YES Customer Service Center for help managing your utility account. We have a dedicated group of employees standing by to help you with any questions you have regarding this transition or your utility account.

You can reach out to YES Energy 24/7 by phone at 1-844-979-4416 or by email at yescs@yesenergymgmt.com

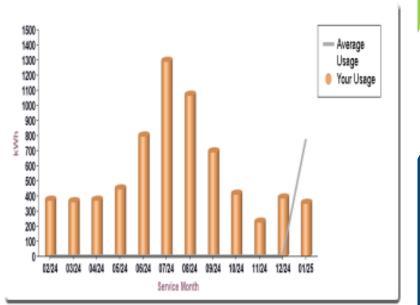


YES Energy Resident Billing Service

Statement Enhancements:

- Combining all Electric and Gas Details into a single page. 12-month Chart displayed on the back of the statement.
- Difference Column on Back Chart to show positive and negative values.

	Your Electric Usage (*indicates estimation)										
Month	Your Usage kWh	Amount	Baseline	Difference	Your Charge						
02/24	371.00	\$52.93	0.00	371.0000	\$52.93						
03/24	360.00	\$51.36	0.00	360.0000	\$51.36						
04/24	371.00	\$52.93	0.00	371.0000	\$52.93						
05/24	444.00	\$63.35	0.00	444.0000	\$63.35						
06/24	793.00	\$113.14	0.00	793.0000	\$113.14						
07/24	1291.00	\$184.20	0.00	1,291.0000	\$184.20						
08/24	1063.00	\$151.67	0.00	1,063.0000	\$151.67						
09/24	691.00	\$98.59	0.00	691.0000	\$98.59						
10/24	411.00	\$58.64	0.00	411.0000	\$58.64						
11/24	224.00	\$31.96	0.00	224.0000	\$31.96						
12/24	386.00	\$55.07	0.00	386.0000	\$55.07						
01/25	351.00	\$50.08	775.56	-424.5600	\$-60.58						

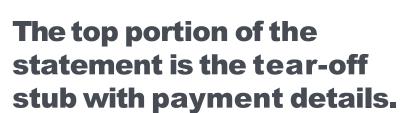


Delivery of Statements

- Utility Billing Delivery Option preference can be selected on the Hunt Resident Portal under My Profile.
- Options Include: eBill, Paper and eBill, or Paper Copy.



SAMPLE STATEMENT FRONT

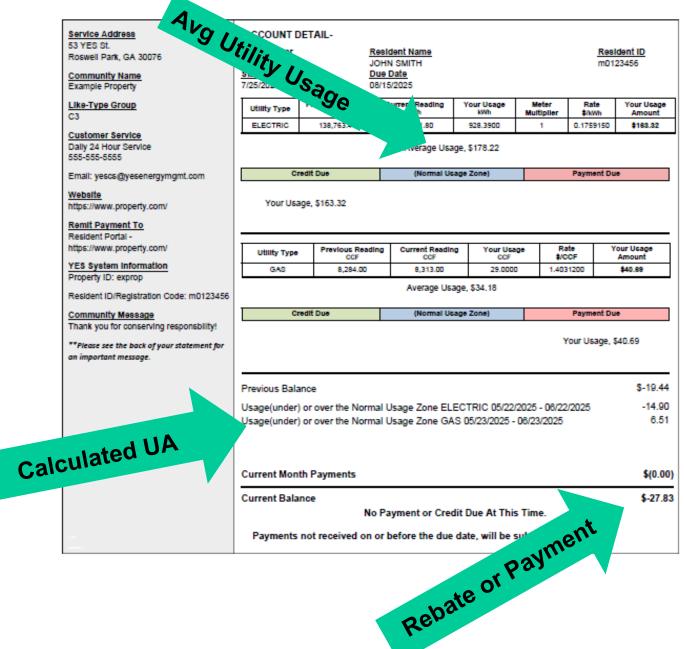


Legend stating if there is an amount to pay, nothing to pay, or if a refund is due.

The left-hand side contains:

- Customer service contact details.
- Portal website
 address.
- Community name.
- Resident ID and portal registration code.







The main body lists:

- Meter information.
- Utilities invoiced.
- Baseline and dollar charges/credits.

NOTE: ANY PAST DUE BALANCE ON THIS STATEMENT IS STILL APPLICABLE

SAMPLE STATEMENT BACKgraph and usage table in detail)

**Rates listed include all applicable charges, fees, and rate discounts as determined by the local utility provider. If your usage is indicated as *EST, your actual usage could not be obtained and your usage has been estimated and adjusted to fall within the average of your LTG for the period.

Seasonally-Adjusted Monthly Baseline Average

Your Electric Usage												
	(*indicates estimation,											
Month	Your Usage KWh	Amount	Baseline	Difference	Your Charge							
02/24	526.00	\$75.05	0.00	526.0000	\$75.05							
03/24	542.00	\$77.33	0.00	542.0000	\$77.33							
04/24	673.00	\$96.02	0.00	673.0000	\$96.02							
05/24	811.00	\$115.71	0.00	811.0000	\$115.71							
06/24	1178.00	\$168.07	0.00	1,178.0000	\$168.07							
07/24	1567.00	\$223.58	0.00	1,567.0000	\$223.58							
08/24	1413.00	\$201.60	0.00	1,413.0000	\$201.60							
09/24	1245.00	\$177.63	0.00	1,245.0000	\$177.63							
10/24	923.00	\$131.69	0.00	923.0000	\$131.69							
11/24	688.00	\$98.16	0.00	688.0000	\$98.16							
12/24	714.00	\$101.87	0.00	714.0000	\$101.87							
01/25	618.00	\$88.18	661.94	-43.9400	\$-6.26							

Your Gas Usage

(*indicates estimation)

0.00

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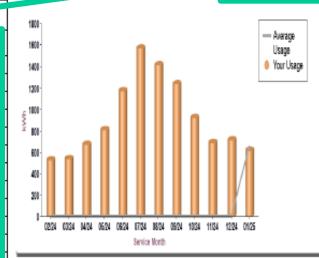
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12-months of historic usage profile table:

Utility consumption.
Baseline Average
Dollar charges or rebates.

Payment owed when total
Payment Amount >\$50
-ORRebate credit issued when
total Rebate Amount > \$50

12-month graph:

Residence consumption. Like type unit baseline. Normal Usage Average





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