

Hunt Military Communities

Air Force Utility Allowance (UA) Program Town Hall

Installation Briefers (Wing CC Rep & Hunt Rep) 6/27/2025



Air Force UA Program VIDEO

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kl8oeiEQ00g&t=3s





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

Air Force UA Program Overview



The UA Program is an

OSD mandated program

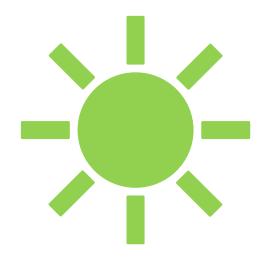
that provides the privatized military partners the opportunity to participate.



The UA Program's baseline calculations use current weather
conditions
vs. the previous model that took an average of the year's overall conditions.



3 months of mock billing will be provided to allow residents an adjustment period to get familiar with the program.



Utility baselines are calculated based on the current month's weather conditions as well as the commodity rate.



Under LIVE billing, most Airmen will likely experience no out-of-pocket expenses. The utility component of the BAH should cover utility costs for the majority of household's who consume "normal" or average usage. Those with above normal usage will only owe if the payment is above the \$50 threshold.

Benefits of the New UA Program for Residents



Accurately calculates energy costs

- Based on monthly averages, and current utility rates to account for seasonal impacts and real-time costs
- Increases Airmen transparency



Promotes energy conservation

- Offers rebate incentive to those who conserve electricity & gas beyond the normal usage range
- 50% of residents will receive rebates for conserving
- Zero out-of-pocket costs for the average utility consumer



Allows more project funds to be reinvested in homes and communities

- Balances financial incentives to residents and helps reduce project operating expenses
- Encourages Project Owner investment in energy-saving initiatives

Air Force UA Program

	Air Force UA Policy
Energy Calculation	100% of the actual average monthly consumption of like-type homes.
Payments	Residents pay out-of-pocket only for above average usage (over the \$50 payment threshold).
Rebates	Residents earn rebates for usage below the average (over the \$50 rebate threshold).
Seasonal Fluctuation Calculations	UA accurately captures cost, including seasonal fluctuations monthly.
Rate Fluctuations	UA accurately captures rates updated monthly.
Impact on Airmen	Residents using above average consumption will pay the difference out of pocket if above the \$50 threshold. Residents using average consumption will pay \$0 out of pocket.

Air Force UA Transition Milestones

January 2026: Current Step: - 1st LIVE STATEMENT **FOR December USAGE** (billing is 30 days in Nov 2025: arrears) - Payments/rebates post - 2nd MONTH September 2025: to resident ledgers if **MOCK BILLING** - TRANSITION BEGINS (Oct usage) above the \$50 threshold 2025: **Dec 2025:** - 3rd MONTH MOCK - 1st MONTH **MOCK BILLING BILLING** (Sept Usage)

IMPORTANT NOTE:

(Nov Usage)

- December USAGE IS

NOW LIVE

YES Energy UA billing statements will always be delivered ~30 days after the usage period has closed. Active-Duty residents with Colquitt electric accounts are required to sign a release form by 7/30. Accounts will be transferred to Hunt. This is due to the time needed by the 3rd Party Billing Company to receive the meter and cost data from the Utility Provider and calculate the UA baseline averages for each LTG, along with, payment and rebate allocations.

Air Force UA Transition Milestones – (Continue) Colquitt Electric Accounts

Active Duty Residents:

- All Active-Duty residents are required to sign a release form allowing Colquitt Electric to transfer electric accounts to Hunt. Forms must be submitted to Hunt by 7/31.
 - The RECP Program requires Hunt to have all commodity services in the projects name to bill RECP.
 - This is a Colquitt Electric requirement to sign a release form to transfer accounts under Hunt.
 - Primary account holder is required to sign the release. Should match the name on the utility bill.
 - If primary account holder is currently deployed, a signed Power of Attorney is acceptable. Name on release form must match name on POA.

Civilians:

- Civilians are not eligible for the RECP program
 - Not required to sign release form
 - Will continue to have electric account setup with Colquitt electric and pay them directly for service.

How are LTG's Determined?



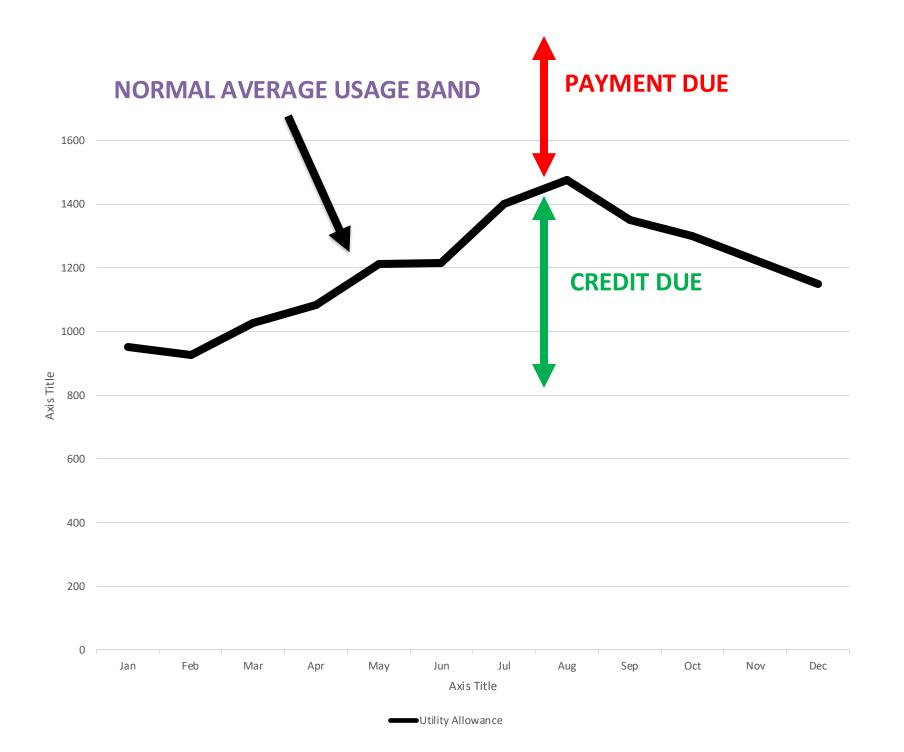
Like Type Groups:

- 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

The Billing Process



How Are Payments & Credits Determined?

- Establish the normal usage band for every like-type group 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)
- Compare against the normal usage band:
 - Rebate Issued: If your usage is BELOW the normal usage band, you will be eligible for a credit
 - Payment Due: If your usage is ABOVE the normal usage band, you will need to pay for the extra usage

• 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)

Sample Bill Calculation



Example Billing Calculation for Usage BELOW the Normal Average Usage Band:

Resident's Actual Monthly Usage = 750 kWh

Monthly LTG Average 1000 kWh

Difference between resident's usage and the normal average usage band:

750 kWh - 1000 kWh = (250 kWh)

Billing amount is calculated by applying the current effective electric rate to determine the charges for usage below the buffer:

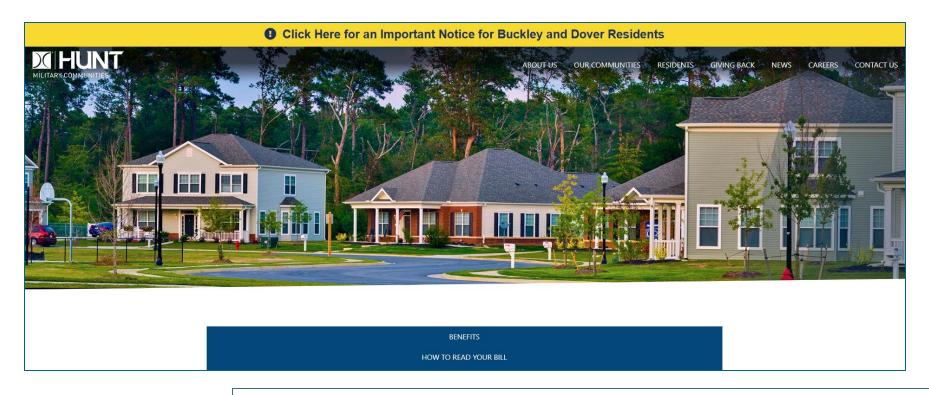
(250 kWh) X \$0.14326/kWh = (\$35.82) REBATE

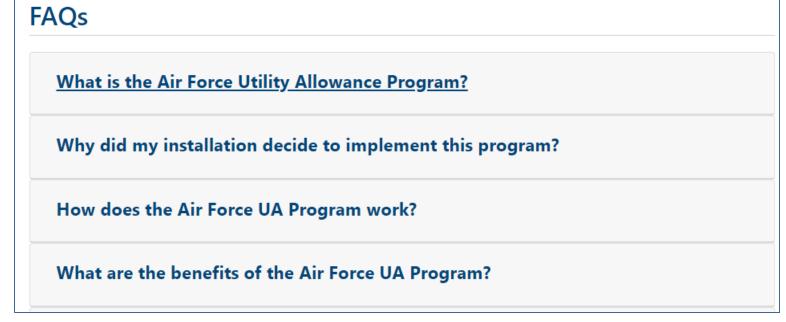
Payment owed when total payment amount exceeds >\$50 -OR-

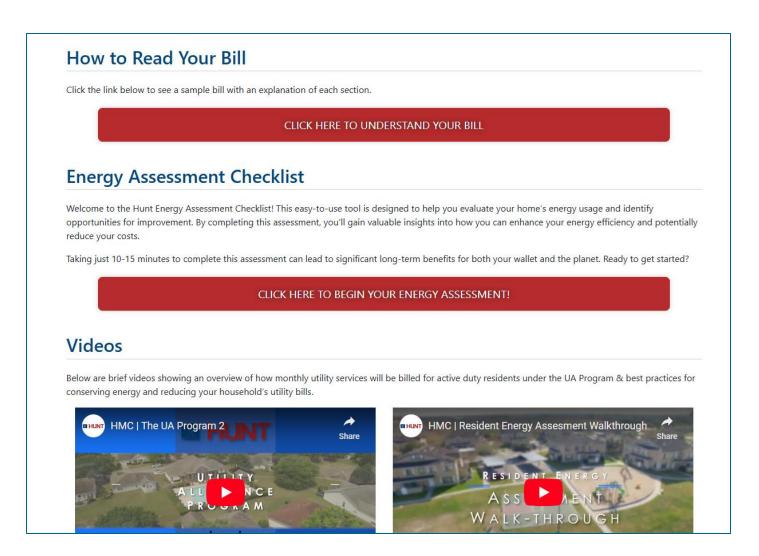
Rebate issued when total rebate amount exceeds > \$50

Dedicated Air Force UA Program Website

URL: 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 available on the Hunt Resident Portal.



Statements and Notices

The new and improved monthly statements are now be easier to read and understand. Statements will continue to be mailed to your home each month and will also be available electronically in your YES online web 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.

Reach this team by phone 24/7 at 1-888-363-0493

SAMPLE STATEMENT FRONT



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

statement is the tear-off

The left hand side contains:

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

500 Colonial Center Pkw v Ste 200 Roswell, GA 30076-8852



JOHN SMITH 53 YES St. Roswell Park, GA 30076 **Please detach and return this stub with your payment or pay on-line at www.yesenergynnw.com**

Customer Service: (721) 214-1865

EXAMPLE PROPRTY

Resident ID: Statement Date:

m0123456 7/18/2019

Due Date:

Current Balance: Amount Due: Amount Enclosed: 08/08/2019 \$38.20 \$38.20

m0123456

Billing Days

YES Energy Management PO Box 82577 Goleta, CA 93118-2577

Service Address

53 YES St.

Roswell Park, GA 30076

Community Name

Example Property

Like-Type Group

Ros 12LT

Customer Service Hours of Operation:

24 Hour Service Daily (721) 214-1865

Email: yescs@yesenergymgmt.com

Resident Services Office Contact

5338 Roswell Park (845) 789-4567

Resident Portal Website

www.yesenergynnw.com

Online Payment Registration Code

Resident ID: m0123456

YES System Information

Property ID: exprop-

Remit Payment To

YES Energy Management PO Box 82577 Goleta, CA 93118-2577

Community Message

Thank you for conserving responsibly!

**Please see the back of your statement for an important message.

Actual Utility Usage -ACCOUNT DE 1. <u>Unit Number</u> Community Service Dates <u>Due Date</u> 6/1/2019 - 6/30/2019 7/18/2019

Previous Reading Your Usage Amount Current Floating Your Usage Utility Type \$/K/A/H 0.1153600 ELECTRIC 238,752.00 239,957.00 1,205.00 \$139.01

Average Usage, \$91.64 Credit Due (Normal Usage Zone) Payment Due Your Usage, \$139.01

Previous Balance

Rebate or Payment Usage (under) or over the Normal Usage Zone ELECTRIC

\$0.00

\$38.20

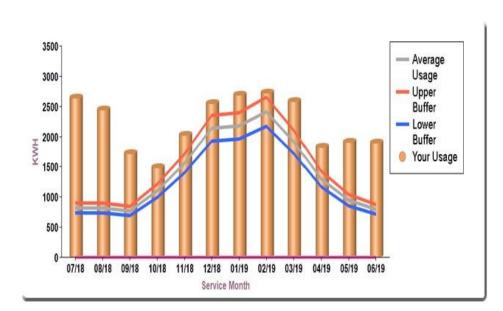
The main body lists:

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

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.

	Your Electric Usage (*indicates estimation)								
Month	Your Usage KWH	Amount	Baseline	Upp tr Der	Lower Buffer	Difference	Your Charge		
07/18	2637.00	\$283.61	819.28	901.21	737.35	1,735.7920	\$186.69		
08/18	2444.00	\$262.85	817.43	899.17	735.69	1,544.8270	\$166.14		
09/18	1720.00	\$184.99	767.45	844.20	690.71	875.8050	\$94.20		
10/18	1481.00	\$170.85	1101.52	1211.67	991.37	269.3280	\$31.07		
11/18	2024.00	\$233.49	1556.79	1712.47	1401.11	311.5310	\$35.94		
12/18	2545.00	\$293.59	2137.33	2351.06	1923.60	193.9370	\$22.37		
01/19	2683.00	\$309.51	2177.12	2394.83	1959.41	288.1680	\$33.24		
02/19	2718.00	\$313.55	2410.99	2652.09	2169.89	65.9110	\$7.61		
03/19	2576.00	\$297.17	1914.74	2106.21	1723.27	469.7860	\$54.20		
04/19	1824.00	\$210.42	1297.48	1427.23	1167.73	396.7720	\$45.77		
05/19	1902.00	\$219.41	947.57	1042.33	852.81	859.6730	\$99.17		
06/19	1885.00	\$217.45	794.42	873.86	714.98	1,011.1380	\$116.64		



Seasonally-Adjusted Monthly Baseline Average: 767 – 2410 kwh/month

12-months of historic usage profile table:

Utility consumption.
Baseline Average
Dollar charges or rebates.

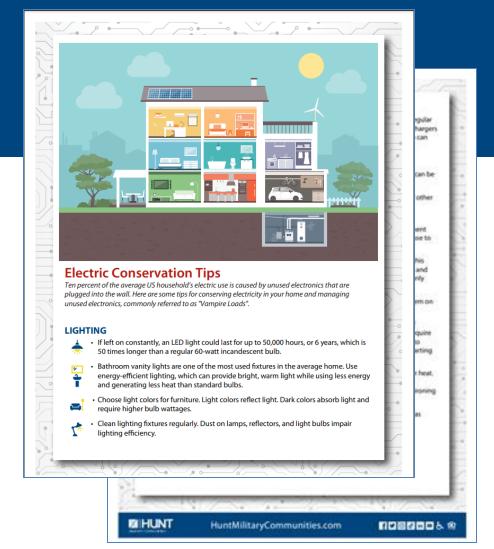
Payment owed when total
Payment Amount >\$50
-ORRebate credit issued when
total Rebate Amount > \$50

12-month graph:

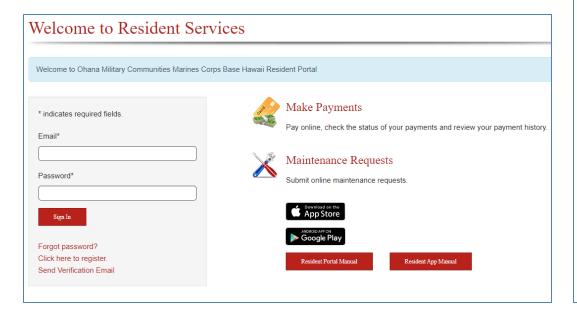
Residence
consumption.
Like type unit baseline.
Normal Usage
Average

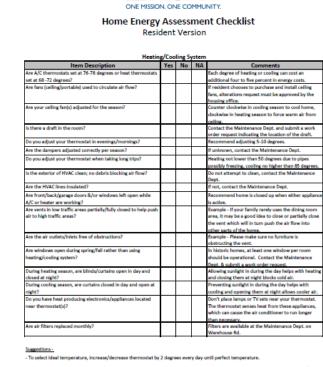
Resources for Residents

- Resources for High Users:
 - 1. Conservation Tip Sheets
 - 2. Self Energy Assessment Checklist
 - 3. Energy Assessment Walkthrough Video (5 min video on property website)
 - 4. In-Home Energy Assessment
 - Maintenance Service for Equipment Concerns
 - 6. Preventative Maintenance for A/C and water heaters upon resident request









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Energy Conservation Tips



Lighting

- Replace incandescent bulbs with LEDs where possible. If left on constantly, an LED light could last for up to 50,000 hours, or 6 years, which is 50 times longer than a regular 60-watt incandescent bulb.
- Clean lighting fixtures regularly.
 Dust on lamps, reflectors, and light bulbs impair lighting efficiency.



Heating/Cooling

- Leave window shades, drapes and/or blinds closed during the day
- Replace filters more frequently if there are pets in the home.
- Use ceiling fans. Also run kitchen and bath exhaust fans long enough.
- Open windows during moderate weather of spring and fall



Electronics

- Unplug infrequently or seasonally used power supplies
- Buy ENERGY STAR®-labeled electronics. Consolidate multiple power supplies on a single power strip



Appliances

- Gas flames from your stove should burn with a clear blue color. A yellow flame may indicate your burner isn't operating efficiently.
- Carefully time your preheat period when baking.
- Defrost the freezer regularly.
- Wash clothes in cold water whenever possible.



QUESTIONS?

