

	2008 AFAP ISSUES (**note issues written by submitters and text has not been changed)	WORK GROUP	Responsible Agency	WORK GROUP RESULTS	Agency Response
1	Issue: Stop all ODIA housing projects. Return coach housing to the RCI housing office and house military personnel and their families in those houses. Scope: Under no circumstances should a coach have access to on-post housing while an active duty service member is denied on-post housing. Recommendation: West Point is an Army post not an Olympic training center. The needs of service members and their families should ALWAYS supersede those of coaches and civilian employees at West Point.	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	RCI/Balfour Beatty/ODIA	Selected as 2008 AFAP issue titled: Allocation of Military Housing to Civilians.	2008 AFAP issue
2	Issue: The residents of Stony One Housing live in quarters that are far below the standard for the quality of life in the Army. Scope: At posts like Leavenworth, Soldiers who live in quarters that are substandard receive part of their BAH back. We should have that policy for Stony One residents. Recommendation: It is unfair that Stony One residents who have plumbing issues, black mold, rodent infestations (to name a few) pay the same rent as Soldiers who live in New Brick, Grey Ghost, etc. We should pay less rent than those Soldiers. I know Stony One is being demolished but something should be done in the meantime. (maybe even back pay).	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	Balfour Beatty/RCI Finance	Selected as 2008 AFAP issue titled: Partial Reimbursement for Substandard West Point Military Housing	2008 AFAP issue
3	Issue: BAH for soldiers living at West Point, but not assigned to West Point Scope: The issue is Balfour Beatty will not accept BAH from other units in the area that have soldiers living on West Point. It is not fair for the soldiers and their families to have to pay the remainder of the "rent" when they are authorized only so much for BAH for where they work at. It is a punishment, especially when other privatized bases around here will take BAH for what it is. Recommendation: Balfour Beatty needs to be instructed to accept BAH for what it is and count it as paid in full every month for all soldiers that live here whether stationed here or not. Being active gives us the benefit of military housing whether our unit is on the post or within 50 miles of it. If the BAH is different for the workplace, it needs to be accepted as paid in full.	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	RCI	Not prioritized, but we strongly suggest that it be looked at further and even re-submitted to AFAP	The approved lease calls for rent equivalent to the BAH for the appropriate grade for a person assigned to West Point. The housing at West Point is primarily for personnel assigned to West Point. Rental rates were set to provide the funds necessary to operate, maintain, and renovate houses at West Point for personnel assigned to West Point. The annual operating budgets are based on those rates.
4	Issue: Balfour Beatty employees living on post - selecting prime houses and renovating them for themselves. Scope: There is not enough housing for senior officers. Why should the head of BB get to select his house, hidden house, and renovate it for himself? Recommendations: It should be very limited as to who from BB lives on post. BB employees should have to get housing by the same rules/procedures as everyone else. It should be public knowledge.	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	RCI	This issue was similar to other issues, but singled out a certain person-head of Balfour Beatty- Rich Wagner. As a group we highly felt that he should be subject to the same placement standards as everyone else who applies for housing. He is currently living in Stony I yet already is aware that he will be placed in Hidden House." While others in Stony I do not have new house assignments. Not Prioritized.	The Project Director is equivalent to a field grade officer. He is on the approved Key and Essential personnel list. Quarters 378 was selected for his house because it is separated from other housing and would reduce some of the hard feelings associated with having a civilian live in West Point housing.
5	Issue: Clarification and consistency in deciding who is "Key and Essential" in terms of assigning housing. Scope: Army families are denied housing because visiting professors and coaches are given quarters before they are given to Army families. Civilian contractors are given quarters! Army professors teaching cadets are more key and essential than coaches any day. Assigning quarters in a way for which they were not designed breeds resentment and frustration within the community. Recommendation: Develop some kind of consistency and plan so that Army family housing goes to Army families. The planned shortage of housing in the near future should be pushing coaches and civilians off-post, not Army families. Be up front about which coaches are allowed to live on post and what they are paying in rent. Develop a plan which aligns the use of privileges on West Point (Commissary, PX, Shoppette, Housing, West Point Schools) with their intended purpose.	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	RCI	Selected as 2008 AFAP Issue titled: Allocation of Military Housing to Civilians. Combined with other issues.	2008 AFAP issue

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6	Issue: Different amounts of BAH paid in the same housing area Scope: Some housing areas have a wide variety of ranks living in them. Ex: Grey Ghost has ranks from SFC to COL which means that Balfour Beatty is getting much more "rent" from COLs than SFCs for the same house. Recommendation: Now that housing is privatized, they need to treat it as such. Somehow come up with a standard rent for each housing area and have Soldiers pay that amount out of their BAH whether it is more or less. This is how it would be if the Soldier lived in the community.	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	RCI	Not prioritized, but we strongly suggest that it be looked at further and even re-submitted to AFAP	The Army policy is that rent will be equivalent to BAH regardless of the category of housing to which the military person is assigned.
7	Issue: Housing questionnaire addressing housing issues such as rent, utilities, charges, security fees, how hard to find housing, local school quality, quality of life . Scope: include this information in a report providing housing information to those considering coming to West Point.	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	RCI	Not prioritized, too vague.	Excellent idea. Some of this information is currently available through Military One Source and in some ACS materials. The Housing Services office will work with ACS to develop an information sheet about housing at West Point and in the surrounding area.
8	Issue: Housing Shortage Scope: There will be an estimated housing shortage as a result of demolition and reconstruction of multiple housing units. Many incoming soldiers and their families will be forced to live off post at a obvious inconvenience and financial hardship. Recommendation: Remove all non military personnel from housing units. I cannot believe that the mission of athletics or other civilian personnel should take priority over active duty members and their families creating needless hardships.	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	RCI	Issue	After the summer of 2009, the only civilians living in Family housing will be those on the approved Key and Essential personnel list. That list was approved by the West Point leadership.
9	Issue: Housing. Scope: In every and all cases active duty military families should have priority for on-post housing. Civilian faculty and sports personnel should never be given on-post housing over military personnel. Additionally, civilians' rents should never be subsidized. It creates bad will all around. Recommendation: Over the next 6-9 months, all civilians residing in on-post housing should find off-post housing to free up military housing for incoming military families. Coaches and civilian faculty should only be housed on Post when there is a true excess of houses.	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	RCI	Prioritized	1. Rents for civilians are not subsidized. Civilians pay rent equivalent to the BAH for the equivalent military grade. Where there is no military equivalent, they pay rent equal to the average BAH for the type of housing in which they live. 2. See the response for item #8 above.
10	Issue: The reconstruction of quarters 311 B, C, and D. Scope: These quarters are located on Winans Place in Gray Ghost area. On the 8th of May there was a fire. At the end of July housing began to move the burned out rubble and debris from the site. Quarters C and D were pulled down to the foundations which left a five whole in the ground. After a few weeks in this condition many parents voiced concern over the safety of the site and they work began on the roof. The roof was oddly placed on the foundation and the last notice from housing was that they intend to finish building some day but not right now. We have over 42 kids that live on this short block of Winans and feel it is not only a safety issue and eye sore but also a waste of housing resources. With a few feet of snow that four foot fence would easily be crossed over by a toddler. A house roof on the ground with a few feet of snow on it would be very tempting for a kid to sled down. This site is within a few feet of the main playground. Recommendation: Complete construction and make it habitable.	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	DPW	This issue affects a small portion of the community. We recommend ensuring the site is contained with a 6-foot fence and that constructors use a generator rather than cords from other residences.	Contractor work to repair the damage to 311-B has been completed and the unit turned over to BBC for occupancy. The purpose of the roof is to protect the utility connections and the building foundation until funding to reconstruct the new unit is obtained. This was the most cost effective way to secure the site and protect the footprint of the building from the extreme weather. Installation Safety finds that a four-foot fence combined with reasonable parental supervision is adequate to provide a safety margin for the neighborhood children.
11	Issue: Temporary housing for inbound PCS personnel has become a lodging issue not a housing issue. There should be a referral office at housing to help Families obtain housing prior to them moving on post	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	RCI/HSO, DFMWR	Selected as 2008 AFAP issue titled: Lack of awareness and enforcement of WP lodging policies	2008 AFAP issue
12	Issue: Yellow Park- Park in Stony One Needs playground equipment for older children. Scope: Children in Stony 1 have a playground that is good for 12 months to 5 years. The older children and teens have nothing to play with to keep them out of trouble. Recommendation: Install a small obstacle course or playground for the older children to keep their imaginations going in a positive way and not have the older children in destructive behaviors.	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	RCI/Balfour Beatty (check old issue about improving playgrounds	Stony One is being deconstructed and the new plan calls for housing to be located in the park's location. If this is still an issue after the reconstruction, this should be readdressed.	The existing playgrounds in Stony I will be demolished and replaced. The plans for the replacement playgrounds have not been completed. Balfour Beatty will consider the suggestion of the issue writer in planning for the new playgrounds.

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13	Issue: Road Blocks by residents on Winans Place in New Brick; Scope: I was driving home on Saturday night around 2130. I was on Winans Place in New Brick. The MP stopped me because the road was closed and barricaded. A private party had occurred and the road was blocked. Are residents allowed to block their roads without permission or do they get approval through the MPs? Also if allowed, how does one get a road closed blockage? Recommendation: Inform residents if this is or is not allowed. If it is allowed, how do we find out when a resident road will be closed? Inform residents how do we go about getting approval to close a resident road.	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	RCI	It is not known, nor was a date provided to research, why this road block was in place. The writer seems to express an opinion of the block being a result of a request of the party. Without information to research incident, it's not clear if the issue was of a law enforcement nature or one of request.	Road Blocks will not be allowed for any resident functions. Balfour Beatty does not allow block parties. Road closures will only be for maintenance purposes.
14	Issue: Speeding by construction vehicles on post Scope: construction vehicles working on housing speed through the area daily. Unsafe for children at play. Recommendation: Install speed bumps in Grey Ghost on Moore and Winans	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	DES, similar to issue 612	Similar issue previously presented/worked in regards to speeding. Also, issue of construction vehicles (location, reasoning, etc.) was not clearly presented.	The Director of Emergency Services considers speed enforcement on West Point Military Reservation a system rather than just a simple target issue. The approach to it is both proactive, reactive and informational to ensure that all drivers are aware of the speed limits and are given every opportunity to comply with the law. The implementation of temporary speed bumps into the housing area is just one step in our process to ensure that our community remains safe and the law is enforced. The speed limits on the installation are 25 MPH, 15 MPH in the housing area, and 10 MPH while passing troops. The housing area is a high traffic area for pedestrian and bicycle traffic and therefore a higher level of proactive measures should be taken. The temporary speed bumps will assist in slowing the traffic down to the intended levels when speed enforcement is not present.
15	Issue: Parking in housing areas. Scope: I live on post and can't park near my quarters and during football season many "guests" take up spots the entire weekend. Speaking with neighbors has done nothing. I pay rent (technically) so I would like two assigned spaces near my quarters so that I know I can park once I get off of work. Recommendation: I pay rent (technically) so I would like two assigned spaces near my quarters so that I know I can park once I get off of work. Make them enforceable by the MPs to help residents out. This would also act to make on post housing more attractive to residents.	Housing, Relocation and Public Works	RCI (DES)	Housing parking being enforced by MPs is not realistic based on USMA reg 190-5 and NYVT&L. This is an issue for housing mayors. While this is an issue, during this time of deconstruction, we felt that this could not be addressed properly. Instead of partially addressing issue & making it unaddressable in the future, we chose to table it.	Housing area parking spots are the responsibility of Balfour Beatty. Military Police can only enforce violations of State and Federal Law or orders or regulations. At this time there is no order or law that prohibits parking in someone else's parking spot in the housing area. During football season there is a high number of additional vehicles on the installation and access to the housing areas is not restricted. It is not authorized for vehicles to park in the housing areas, however enforcement of any visitors is an issue that requires additional manpower, more restrictive policies, and the ability to screen residents and non-residents.