



I MEF SUPPORT BATTALION
PERSONAL AND FAMILY READINESS
POLICY STATEMENT



I am honored to be a part of the I MEF Support Battalion family. As the Commanding Officer, my intent is to build a strong family readiness program. Family readiness and operational readiness are inseparable. It is my responsibility to ensure that we are prepared to leave our family when called to duty.

It is important for all of our Marines and Sailors to understand that the balance of managing family and operational responsibilities while in garrison and deployed are equally important. The resiliency we build within our families will support them while we are away.

I am committed to the Family Readiness Program and expect all Marines and Sailors, married or single, to participate in and be accountable for our personal and family readiness. My Command Team, the Family Readiness Officer (FRO), and Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS) are here to assist us with the tools needed to be successful in this endeavor. As such, we will focus on the following areas:

- Information Resources and Referral Services. Provide our Marines and Sailors and their families with the resources and information to meet their needs and requirements. Programs such as L.I.N.K.S., CREEDO, Marine Corps Family Team Building, Exceptional Family Member program, Military One-Source, and other excellent programs are offered through MCCS to educate, inform, and prepare our team to be ready. More information on these programs can be found through the chain of command.
- Volunteerism. There are many opportunities to “give back” to the military and our surrounding community using the unique skills resident within our team.
- Official Communication. Ensure our Marines and Sailors are informed, but also encouraging dialogue and feedback to the command.
- Readiness and Deployment Support. Provide support to all Marines and Sailors who are deployed and who are preparing to deploy.
- Team Building. Spouse coffees, events, and informal gatherings (both in person and online) help to network, support, and unite our family members.

Leaders at all levels will ensure that our team is educated about Family Readiness and the programs offered while ensuring assistance is provided as needed to our Marines and Sailors.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William V. Gorsuch".

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