



Canadian Forces Personnel Newsletter

Forces program has your move covered

From CFPN

The 2007 CF Integrated Relocation Program (IRP) policy is now available on the Director General Compensation and Benefits (DGCB) and Royal LePage Relocation Services (RLRS) websites, and from relocation offices.

CFIRP looks after moving you, your family and your possessions when you're posted. Moving is one of the most stressful times for a family, and CFIRP's goal is to move you efficiently and cost-effectively while causing you and your family, and CF operations, as little disruption as possible.

Definition change

The definition of "extended family" has been changed to include only people living with you full-time at the time of your move. This new definition is more restrictive than the former definition, but more accurately reflects the Treasury Board's approved policy.



Benefits

The personalized funding component of CFIRP benefits comprises the posting allowance, the movement grant and certain incentives. This provides you with some flexibility when it comes to choosing reimbursement options for moving expenses that may be unique to your family situation but are not covered by core or custom funding. Make sure you take good advantage of the various funding options available to you.

Queries

Because so many of you have met with lengthy delays when it comes to getting feedback on queries, CFIRP is in the process of decentralizing the adjudication process. It's expected that by active posting season (APS) 2008, most adjudications will be done at the base/wing level.

Survey

Whether you've been moved this APS or are expecting a move, you'll be asked to complete a survey about your move, and about your satisfaction with the level of support and service provided you throughout the process. This feedback is essential in ensuring that the CFIRP meets the needs of you and your family and is being delivered efficiently.

Finally

CFIRP is a work in progress, continuously evolving while refinements are developed and implemented. Your ongoing co-operation is very much appreciated.

- Read Canadian Forces General Message (CANFORGEN) 093/07 at http://vcds.dwan.dnd.ca/vcds-exec/pubs/canforgen/intro_e.asp for information.
- Find the 2007 CFIRP policy at www.forces.gc.ca/dgcb/engraph/home_e.asp or at www.rlrs.com/services/services.htm.
- For information, visit www.irp-pri.com/aboutProgram.cfm.
- Go to www.irp-pri.com/contactUs.cfm for your nearest relocation office. ♣



Family advisory board needs volunteers

From the Military Family National Advisory Board

The Military Family National Advisory Board (MFNAB) needs spouses/partners of military personnel to serve on the volunteer boards representing:

- **Atlantic provinces:** Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland and Labrador, and New Brunswick
- **Prairie provinces:** Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta
- **International:** United States, Europe, Arabian Gulf Region, South-west Asia, Balkans, Caribbean, Middle East, Africa

MFNAB

MFNAB was established in 1988 to provide advice to senior CF management

on issues that impact military families. It is a partnership between military families and military leadership.

The eight military family members meet twice each year for two days, in Ottawa. During the first day, family representatives determine strategic objectives for future consideration. On the second day, family members, policy-makers, key stakeholders and decision-makers discuss the implementation of goals.

The board:

- advises Chief Military Personnel on personnel issues affecting the well-being of CF families;
- determines key issues for discussion and recommendation;
- reviews policies, directive and reports impacting military families;
- monitors major trends regarding Canadian military family life;

- establishes interactive lines of communication and co-operation between agencies representing families at the local level; and
- acts as spokesperson.

Volunteers should:

- be the spouse/partner of a serving member of the CF;
- demonstrate community involvement in the region of the position you seek;
- have work or volunteer experience in policy development, research and/or strategic analysis;
- have access to a computer with Internet access;
- demonstrate solid leadership capabilities;
- be open to sharing ideas;
- be willing to travel; and

- possess superior communication skills (bilingualism is an asset).

Please send your request for an application to Taylor.GW@forces.gc.ca, and cc Pap.RPS@forces.gc.ca.

Your application must reach us no later than August 12, 2007.

- For more information, contact Capt Robert Pap at Pap.RPS@forces.gc.ca or at 613-992-0888. ♣

