



UNIT, PERSONAL, AND FAMILY READINESS PROGRAM (UPFRP)

As the Commanding Officer of MTACS-18, it is my duty and moral obligation to establish a command climate that maintains good order and discipline, ensures the welfare and safety of every MTACS-18 Marine, Sailor, and family member, and enables each Marine to reach their fullest potential all while preparing the squadron for combat. To this end, we must be men and women of ethical character who uphold our core values of honor, courage, and commitment.

Personal and Family Readiness is an essential component to our overall success as a Squadron. When a Marine is distracted and cannot concentrate on the task at hand due to Personal or Family issues they are more apt to make a mistake and in our profession mistakes could have a disastrous impact. We are a team and in order to be combat effective, we must take care of each other, our families, and our single Marines. The Family Readiness Program augments and supplements basic leadership within the unit. Personal and family readiness is every Marine's responsibility. The Family Readiness Command Team is in place to assist you with keeping your family members vitally linked with information and resources.

The Family Readiness Officer shall be the command's primary source of official communication to our families. They will provide support via Official Communication, Information Referral, Deployment Support, and Volunteer Management. Further, every means available will be used to ensure all family members are aware of and participate in the ample and varied resources offered on island and online. The Family Readiness Officer has access to a tremendous amount of support agencies that our families should make themselves aware of.

References: MCO 1754.9B Unit, Personal, and Family Readiness Program; MCO 1700.36A Single Marine Program; MCO 1740.13C Family Care Plans

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