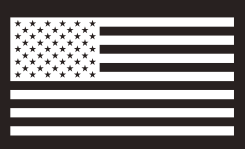


FORT CAVAZOS

Housing Options



Soldiers and Their Families



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ON POST HOUSING



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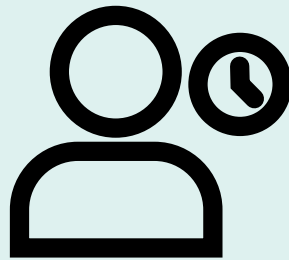
CONTACT THE HOUSING SERVICES OFFICE (HSO):

- Reach out to the HSO promptly upon receiving your PCS orders.
- Phone: 312-663-2313
- Website: [Fort Cavazos Housing Services Office](#)

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SUBMIT AN APPLICATION

- Complete the application process through Cavalry Family Housing.
 - Apply Online: [Cavalry Family Housing Application](#)
 - Ensure you apply within 30 days of arrival to backdate your eligibility to your departure date from the previous duty station.
- Phone: 312-663-2313
Website: [Cavalry Family Housing](#)



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WAITLIST AND ASSIGNMENT

- Be prepared for potential wait times, which can range from two weeks to 12 months, depending on rank, bedroom requirements, and current occupancy rates



PROS

- Close proximity to work and on-post amenities.
- Rent and utilities are typically covered by the Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH).
- Strong sense of community among military families.



CONS

- Variable wait times based on housing availability.
- Quality and style of housing units may differ.
- Less privacy compared to off-post living.

NEIGHBORHOOD



»»» KILLEEN

Killeen, located right next to Fort Cavazos, offers exceptional convenience for Soldiers and their families. With a variety of housing options, from affordable apartments to spacious homes, it suits service members of all ranks. The city features plenty of restaurants, shopping centers like Killeen Mall, and entertainment venues such as Vive Les Arts Theatre. Its close proximity to the base means shorter commutes, giving you more time with family. Killeen's military-friendly community makes it a welcoming and supportive place to call home.

HARKER HEIGHTS «««

Just a short drive from Fort Cavazos, Harker Heights is a family-friendly area known for its suburban charm and modern housing options, including townhomes and upscale communities. With excellent schools, parks like Purser Family Park, and recreation spots like Stillhouse Hollow Lake, it offers a perfect balance of convenience and tranquility. The city also features shopping and dining at Market Heights, making it an ideal choice for families seeking a relaxed lifestyle close to the base.



»»» COPPERAS COVE

Nicknamed "The City Built for Family Living," Copperas Cove provides a quieter, laid-back lifestyle just 15–20 minutes from Fort Cavazos. Offering affordable housing and scenic beauty with rolling hills and parks, it's perfect for those who enjoy outdoor activities. Local events like Rabbit Fest and the Krist Kindl Markt enhance its close-knit community feel, making Copperas Cove a welcoming and peaceful option for military families.





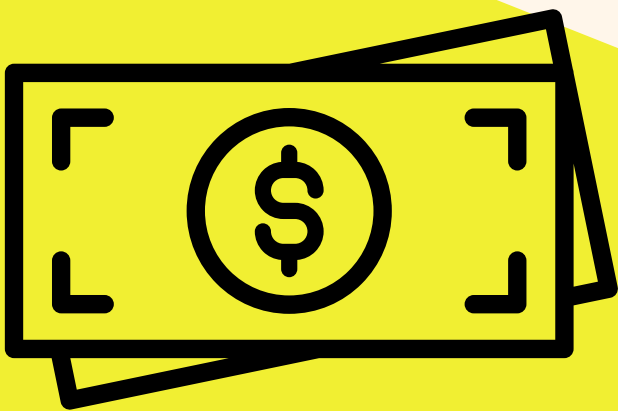
COMMUTING CONSIDERATIONS

- Factor in traffic patterns, especially during peak hours.
- Check distance and commute time to the installation's gates.
- Confirm gate accessibility based on housing location.



COST OF LIVING

- Compare rent prices in nearby neighborhoods with your BAH allowance.
- Include utilities, internet, and commuting costs when budgeting.
- Research state and local taxes if moving to a new region.



Tips for Renting or Buying

- Work with Local Real Estate Agents
- Verify military clause inclusion to allow lease termination for PCS orders.
- Conduct a walkthrough before signing the lease to document property condition.

Temporary Lodging

ON-POST TEMPORARY LODGING FACILITIES (TLF)

- Contact your installation's lodging service for reservations.
- Army Lodging facilities often provide discounted rates for PCS families.

MILITARY-FRIENDLY HOTELS OFF-POST

- Research hotels offering military discounts (e.g., IHG Army Hotels, Marriott).
- Book through Defense Travel Management Office (DTMO)-approved lodging for reimbursement eligibility.

EXTENDED STAY OPTIONS

- Consider extended-stay hotels or vacation rentals (Airbnb) for family comfort.
- Choose options with kitchens to save on food costs.

TIPS FOR SECURING TEMPORARY LODGING

- Reserve accommodations as soon as PCS orders are received, especially during peak moving seasons.
- Confirm the duration of Temporary Lodging Expense (TLE) eligibility (up to 10 days for CONUS moves, varies for OCONUS).
- Retain all lodging receipts for reimbursement claims.