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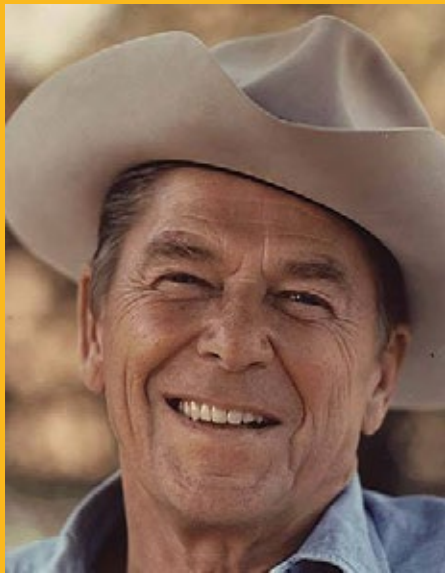
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## Ronald Reagan:

*What was he really like?*

**“The essence of Ronald Reagan was that he treated us, not as ‘footmen’ nor employees, but rather as partners in a gigantic team that he invigorated by his vision.”**

**-WM. P. “Bill” Clark, Jr.**

**“Number one, he had a core, he had a sense, he had a belief-system. His ego never got in his way.”**

**-Stu Spencer**

**“He approached people and problems with clear common sense, never having to backtrack. Of course, he made mistakes for which he was always ready and able to concede and even apologize.”**

**-Curtis Patrick**

**“His thoughts, words and actions all spoke the truth.”**

**-WM. P. “Bill” Clark, Jr.**

**“He was such a wonderful, down-to-earth kind of a person. I don’t know that I have ever met a person in high office who ever had less of an ego than Ronald Reagan.”**

**-Ken Hall**



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### **Website References:**

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# San Diego on the Horizon

Story by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Terry Godette  
&  
Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Omar Powell



Ronald Reagan is starting to get ready for the homeport shift back to San Diego and that means Sailors that have families in Bremerton or a designated place need to start making the necessary preparations to ensure a smooth move.

Sailors on board with an end of active obligated service (EOAS) date or a planned rotation date (PRD) of February 1, 2014 later will be eligible for a homeport change certificate. For Sailors that arrived after May 14, 2012, your orders would have directed you to move all your household goods and/or family to San Diego.

During the last move, Ronald Reagan's Personnel department ran into many different problems, some of which included: Sailors changing their mind about how they were going to move their personal property or deciding to fly back to San Diego to catch the ship up to Bremerton without turning their passenger reservation request in on time. To avoid these types of mistakes again information is going out early and we are encouraging Sailors not to wait until the last minute to start processing their paperwork.

"Having each Sailor being proactive in initiating their move and not waiting until the last minute would be a big help to us," said Senior Chief Personnel Specialist Kevin Hall, Ronald Reagan's homeport change (HPC) coordinator.

Another big reason to be early with your paperwork is the local area network (LAN). As the Reagan prepares to get the ship ready to come out of the yard, there will be limited LAN connectivity, meaning fewer computers for personnel staff to work with.

Another major concern that came out of last year's move from San Diego was travel claims. There are two types of payments Sailors can get their entitlements for travel -- advance or reimbursements. For the advance payments you will have to submit your package at least 15 days prior to your travel date. If you plan on getting reimbursement then you will submit your transfer package prior to travel but receive your entitlement when you return.

"A lot of Sailors forgot to file their travel claim when we moved up to Bremerton and we had people filing claims months later," said Chief Personnel Specialist Mark Diego, Ronald Reagan's assistant homeport change coordinator. "Sailors need to come to personnel within five working

days to file their travel claim after executing their move, especially those who receive advances."

It's also important to remember that Admin isn't the only resource to help you. Each department has been assigned their own homeport change coordinator.

"The departmental homeport change coordinators will play a huge role in helping the process to go smoothly this time around," said Personnel Specialist 2nd Class Diego Bustillo, Ronald Reagan's homeport change personnel accounting manager. "We will be here to help also, but it is imperative that Sailors utilize their departmental coordinators as much as possible."

The departmental coordinator will attend meetings with the ship's coordinator where they will be keep up to date on the latest information. Equally important as getting your paperwork in on time is keeping your chain of command informed of your plans.

"You need to keep your chain of command informed with up-to-date information about your move in case of an emergency," said Diego. "Your chain can't help you if they are not informed of your situation."

One such circumstance in which your chain of command will play a major role in your planning is house hunting permissive TAD, a five to ten day period that allows Sailors the time to look for housing. Your house hunting leave chit will be routed and approved by your chain of command based on how long they can afford for that particular Sailor to be gone and the work schedule, said Hall. Only a certain percentage of Sailors will be authorized to take house hunting leave at a time.

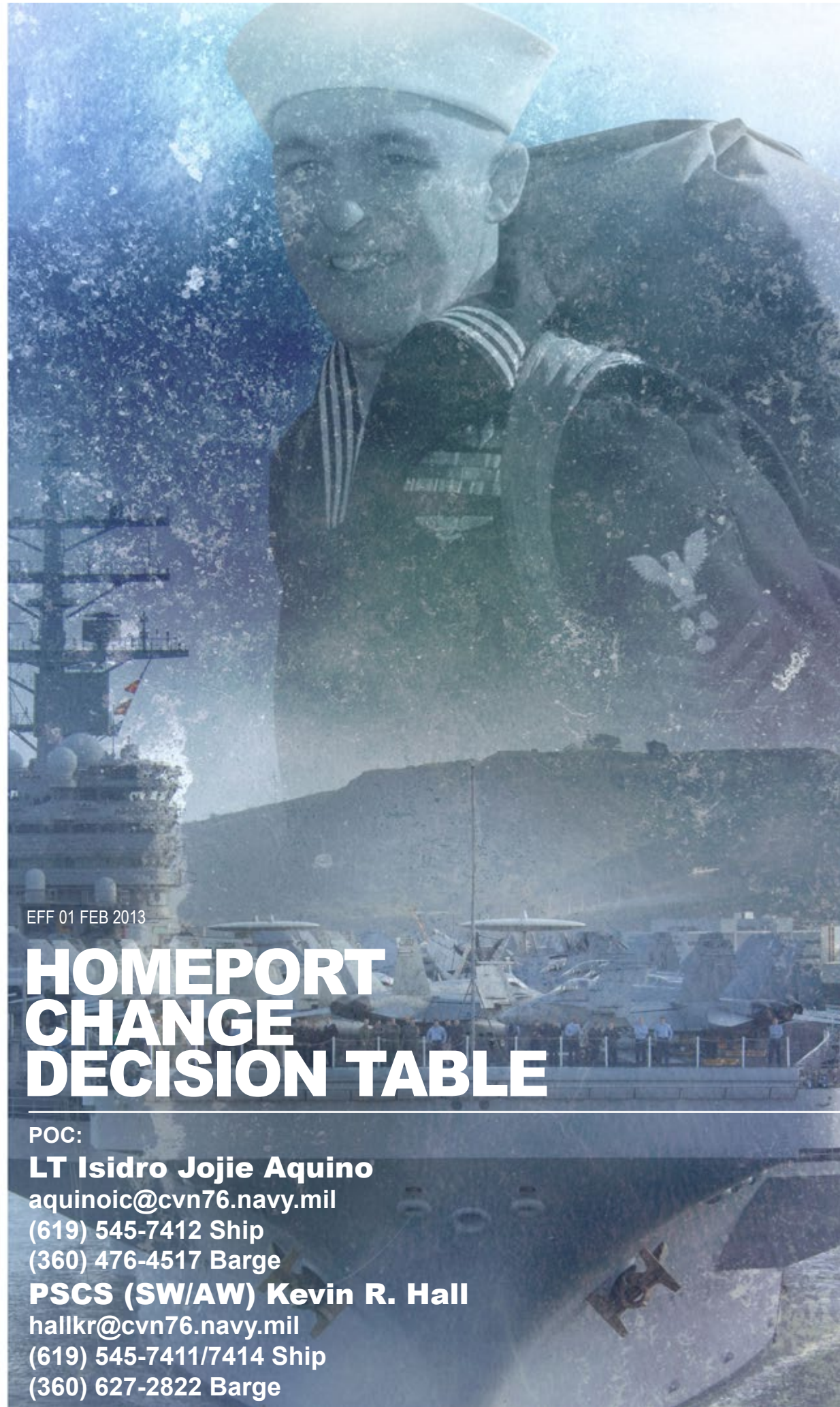
Another way you can utilize your chain of command would be getting some advice. Planning your move on top of your regular work schedule can be stressful so getting advice from someone who has been through the process a time or two definitely won't hurt.

"I look at it like being on a sports team," said Quartermaster 1st Class Rodesia Brown, Navigation's departmental homeport change coordinator. "When you're on a team, you go to your veterans when you have questions. So my advice for Sailors that aren't exactly sure how and what to plan for, ask someone."

Proper planning and execution will not only benefit you, but inspire those around you to do the same. The resources are available and if you have questions, there's someone close by to get you an answer.



# USS RONALD REAGAN (CVN 76) HPC to San Diego CA



EFF 01 FEB 2013

## HOMEPORT CHANGE DECISION TABLE

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2012 DLA Rates			2012 BAH Rates - San Diego CA		
GRADE	W/ DEPN	W/O DEPN	GRADE	W/ DEPN	W/O DEPN
O7	\$3,481.09	\$2,827.87	O7	\$2,928	\$2,367
O6	\$3,134.43	\$2,594.40	O6	\$2,898	\$2,319
O5	\$3,021.26	\$2,498.69	O5	\$2,871	\$2,268
O4	\$2,663.29	\$2,315.59	O4	\$2,640	\$2,238
O3	\$2,203.46	\$1,855.75	O3	\$2,316	\$2,166
O2	\$1,881.48	\$1,472.05	O2	\$2,181	\$2,073
O1	\$1,681.92	\$1,239.56	O1	\$2,139	\$1,782
O3E	\$2,368.04	\$2,003.90	O3E	\$2,463	\$2,184
O2E	\$2,136.58	\$1,703.51	O2E	\$2,310	\$2,157
O1E	\$1,974.06	\$1,464.87	O1E	\$2,244	\$2,133
W5	\$2,570.67	\$2,352.60	W5	\$2,583	\$2,244
W4	\$2,356.74	\$2,089.27	W4	\$2,442	\$2,196
W3	\$2,159.23	\$1,755.98	W3	\$2,319	\$2,163
W2	\$1,986.39	\$1,559.49	W2	\$2,253	\$2,142
W1	\$1,717.91	\$1,305.42	W1	\$2,187	\$1,890
E9	\$2,262.11	\$1,715.87	E9	\$2,409	\$2,160
E8	\$2,085.15	\$1,574.93	E8	\$2,286	\$2,145
E7	\$1,936.01	\$1,345.51	E7	\$2,232	\$1,968
E6	\$1,788.89	\$1,217.97	E6	\$2,184	\$1,806
E5	\$1,608.87	\$1,123.35	E5	\$2,133	\$1,671
E4	\$1,608.87	\$977.27	E4	\$1,959	\$1,470
E3	\$1,608.87	\$958.73	E3	\$1,959	\$1,470
E2	\$1,608.87	\$778.71	E2	\$1,959	\$1,470
E1	\$1,608.87	\$694.38	E1	\$1,959	\$1,470

\*Note: Rates are subject to change

### Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) Guidance\*

BAH Type	Requirements
Single Member E4 (over 4 years) and E5	Special Request Chit signed by the XO Lease Agreement BAH Single E4 (over 4 years) & E5 Page 13
Married to another military member - Single (Mil to Mil) 1. Have no other dependents 2. Paygrade E5 and below 3. Not assigned to gov't quarters 4. Both simultaneously assigned to sea duty	Special Request Chit signed by the XO Lease Agreement BAH Single E4 (over 4 years) & E5 Page 13 Copy of Page 2 (needs to reflect spouse location & duty assignment)
Single E6 and above	BAH Single E6 and above Page 13 (Member agrees not to occupy government quarters)
Married member claiming BAH based on dependent's location.	Special Request Chit signed by the AO Lease Agreement or Mortgage BAH dependents location Page 13 Copy of Page 2 Two utility bills

\*OPNAVINST 7220.12 / JFTR Volume 1, Chapter 10

**EAOS and PRD is 01 FEB 2014 or later...**

Rule	When	Then	And	Entitlement/option
<b>1</b>	Member with dependents is eligible and plans to move family and ship HHG or POV.	Member will be issued a HPC certificate.	Travel orders will be issued to member to accompany dependent(s) from old HP to new HP or to a designated place.  DELAY TO MISSION REQUIREMENTS - execute COHP NLT 07 August 2013 for member to receive travel entitlements. Beyond this date, requires OPNAV approval.	* Advance BAH * Advance Pay (up to 3 mos) * Dislocation Allowance * HHG shipment * Drive and/or ship POV * Temporary Lodging Expense (10 days) <b>OPTIONAL:</b> **House Hunting TAD (5-10 days if combined with weekends, holidays, and liberty; Dept Head approval) * Regular leave (XOs approval in excess of 7 days)
<b>2</b>	Member is single, HPC eligible and: a. E-4 with over 4 years of service, or E-5 and above b. authorized to reside off base c. plans to ship HHG or POV	Member will be issued a HPC certificate.	Travel orders will be issued to member.	** Advance BAH-Single ** Advance Pay (up to 3 mos) ** Dislocation Allowance ** HHG shipment ** Drive and fly back to Bremerton or ship POV <b>OPTIONAL:</b> **House Hunting TAD (5-10 days if combined with weekends, holidays, and liberty; Dept Head approval) * Regular leave (XOs approval in excess of 7 days)
<b>3</b>	Member is single, HPC eligible, & a. E-4 or below with less than 4 years of service, b. Resides on board the ship, and c.)Plans to drive POV	Member will be issued a HPC certificate	Travel orders will be issued to member.	***Drive to San Diego and fly back to Bremerton ***Ship POV
<b>4</b>	Member is in receipt of PCS orders, or expects to be issued PCS orders.	Member will not be issued HPC certificate, and will accompany the ship to the new HP.	Upon detachment, stamp on travel in old homeport orders: "On 14 May 2012 CNO promulgated change of homeport/PDS of USS RONALD REAGAN (CVN 76) to San Diego, CA. Reimbursement for dependent travel and shipment of household goods from Bremerton is authorized. (See NAVSO P-6034, U5222-D-5 or U5222-1 and U5350-J)" and authorize travel via old HP.	* FSA payable if dependent(s) remain in Bremerton, WA effective on ship's sail away date * Priority 1 to OPLIFT POV or authorized 5-day No Cost TAD to drive to San Diego and fly back to Bremerton, WA.
<b>5</b>	Member is in receipt of PCS orders, and is within 30 days from approved transfer date.	Member's department may opt to leave member at the old HP via No-Cost TAD to a local command.	Requires XO approval. Note: arranged by parent department	
<b>6</b>	Member's EAOS is less than 90 days remaining on the effective date of the COHP (01 May 13 or earlier).	Member's department may leave member at the old HP via No-cost TAD to a local command. Member reports to TPU Bangor 10 days prior to separation leave or EAOS/ or Ronald Reagan departs from Bremerton.	Requires XO approval.	
<b>7</b>	Member's service cannot be spared.	Member will be required to accompany the ship to the new homeport.	* Priority 1 to OPLIFT vehicle or authorized 5-day No-Cost TAD to drive and fly back.	* FSA payable if dependents remain in Bremerton WA eff sail away date.
<b>8</b>	Member extends the present enlistment or reenlists prior to being detached from the unit and becomes eligible for a HPC certificate.	Member will be issued a HPC certificate.		1) With dependents - see * 2) Single E-4 over 4 years of service - see ** 3) Single E-3 and below - see ***

**WHAT IS THE HOMEPORT CHANGE CHART USED FOR?**

The Homeport change (HPC) chart is designed to inform Sailors of what options and entitlements are available to them. This chart covers all entitlements that apply to different situations that vary from Sailor to Sailor.

**EAOS AND PRD**

**EAOS-** Expiration of Active Obligated Separation Date  
**PRD-** Planned Rotation Date

-This portion is used to inform members with an EAOS or PRD on 01Feb14, or later, what their entitlements and options are.  
-Rules are simply different scenarios that could apply to you.  
-Just because you fall into one of the categories, **DOES NOT** mean that you have to use the entitlement or option.  
-Entitlements are guaranteed, where as any option must be approved by your chain of command.

Prospective Gains				
Rule	When	Then	And	Notes
<b>1</b>	Member is in receipt of PCS orders to REAGAN when HPC message is announced.	Orders will be modified by detailers changing entitlement to move dependents and HHG from member's old PDS to unit's new HP (San Diego, CA).	* FSA payable if dependents moved to San Diego prior to RRN arrival to new HP.	* FSA not payable if dependents remain at the last duty station residence, OR moved dependents to a place of designation other than new HP (no force separation by the Navy)
<b>2</b>	Member is in receipt of PCS orders to REAGAN when HPC message is announced and completed PCS travel to the unit without being officially notified of the HPC.	HPC may be issued if the CO deems it necessary when: (1) HHG have been shipped to old HP (Bremerton, WA) (2) cross country relocation is required and member desires to ship POV, (3) dependent PCS travel claims have been liquidated.		* HHG have not been delivered, they should be forwarded to new HP utilizing LOA on PCS orders to RONALD REAGAN. * If dependents PCS travel have not yet been liquidated, travel should continue to the new HP using CNO HPC message.

**Early PTS Submission, MIL-MIL, EFM Members**

	If a member	Then	Notes
<b>1</b>	Is not in PTS window and intends to reenlist to be eligible for HPC certificate.	Needs to submit a 1306/7 request to be considered early for purposes incident to HPC.	See your Departmental CCC
<b>2</b>	Is married to another military member or single parent.	Needs to submit a 1306/7 request to be co-located with military spouse or remain at old HP (single parent).	See your Departmental CCC
<b>3</b>	Is enrolled in the Exceptional Family Member (EFM) program (Types 4 & 5).	Needs to submit a 1306/7 request if member desires to remain at the old HP.	See your Departmental CCC
<b>4</b>	Reenlisted under the GUARD assignment and have less than 1 year onboard as of 1 Feb 13 and is not a volunteer for transfer to the new HP.	Should contact NPC and may have assignment renegotiated.	See your Departmental CCC
<b>5</b>	Is reenlisting under the GUARD assignment.	Should contact NPC in order to renegotiate reenlistment incentives.	See your Departmental CCC

**Fleet Reserve, Separations**

	If a member	Then	And	Notes
<b>1</b>	Is in receipt of Fleet Reserve Orders, and desires to execute HPC move.	Requires PERS-823 approval for modification of effective date of FLTRES/Retired List.		See your Departmental CCC
<b>2</b>	Desires early separation (more than 90 days of EAOS from 1 Feb 2013).	Submits request to PERS-832 via Ronald Reagan COC.		See your Departmental CCC
<b>3</b>	Desires early separation (more than 90 days of EAOS from 1 Feb 2013).	Submits request to TYCOM, info PERS-832.		
<b>4</b>	Has 30 days or less remaining EAOS.	Is transferred to TPU Bangor via Standard Transfer Orders.	*XO approval.	
<b>5</b>	Is pending administrative or legal action.	Is transferred to TPU Bangor via Standard Transfer Orders (Legal Dept. Concurrence).	*XO approval.	

**Entitlement (if you are driving)**

Per Diem Rates		
Member	\$123/day X 4 days	\$492
Dpndts over 12 yrs	\$92.25/day X 4 days	\$369
Dpndts under 12 yrs	\$61.50/day X 4 days	\$246

Mileage 1,253	
1 POV: 0.23/mi	\$288.19

**PROSPECTIVE GAINS**

- This section applies to new Sailors or check-ins  
- Sailors must have checked on 13May12 or earlier in order to receive a HPC.  
- Sailors who checked on after 13May12 only have two options;  
1. Oplift (will be priority 1)  
2. No-Cost Tad orders to drive down, with NO per diem and NO entitlements.  
a. Sailors will have the options to use the either 4 or 5 day TAD orders, 4 for people who drive during ship's transit, and 5 for those who will drive down and fly back up before transit.

**EARLY PTS**

- not entitled to HPC, they must extend in order to receive it.  
- In order to extend, Sailors can get an early PTS look based on their PRD and EAOS

**FLEET RESERVE, SEPARATION**

Sailors can move their families and household goods using their separation orders, which can be used by the member 180 days from the separation date. Retirees and Fleet Reserve personnel can move their families and HHG anywhere in the Continental United States, while Sailors separating at their End of Active Obligated Service (EAOS) can relocate back to their home of record.



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# FREE RIDE



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Story by Mass Communication Specialist 3rd Class Kevin Hastings

The Ronald Reagan -- a floating city of 3,000 men and women smashed between an airport and a nuclear reactor. A year ago, Ronald Reagan made her voyage to Bremerton, Wash. to undergo a Docked Planned Incremental Availability, loading her flight deck and hanger bays with her crew's vehicles and changed from a 4.3 billion dollar aircraft carrier into what Yahoo quoted as, "the most expensive parking lot in the world."

However, as with anything in the Navy, there are rules and instructions for the evolution to ensure a smooth and safe transition from Bremerton, Wash. back to our traditional homeport of sunny San Diego.

The OPLIFT dates are not set in stone yet because the date of departure has not yet been disclosed.

"The details for the exact dates will be coming soon," said Senior Chief Mass Communication Specialist Dean Lohmeyer, from St. Louis. "Everything will hinge on our exact date of departure from Bremerton."

The ship plans on accommodating as many Sailors as they can, but certain categories of Sailors will be given priority.

"Sailors who are not eligible for the homeport

change certificate will have priority because they will not be reimbursed for shipping or driving their vehicles to San Diego," said Lohmeyer. "Having a spot on the OPLIFT will save Sailors several hundred dollars on gas money, hotel rooms, or shipping their car."

Lohmeyer explains that the process is pretty simple.

"There will be OPLIFT coordinators in each department throughout the ship," said Lohmeyer. "They'll give you the forms you'll need to be able to sign up."

Sailors who took advantage of the opportunity last time also noted the benefits of having the option.

"Overall, it helped me get the things I needed to have a comfortable time here in a new place," said Hospital Corpsman 2nd Class Davien Fields, from Savannah, Ga. "It was easy to sign up to get a spot on the ship for my car; plus how many people can say they had their car on an aircraft carrier?"

If any Sailor feels like the OPLIFT isn't the best option for them, the Navy does provide different avenues to help Sailors relocate back to San Diego.

"Sailors have a several options if they don't make the OPLIFT," said Lohmeyer. "They can ship their car through a private vendor, or even take advantage of generous no-cost TAD offer from the chain of command to drive their vehicles to San Diego."

With the generous TAD offers from the chain of

command there are a few things Sailors should keep in mind while planning their journey back.

"The first thing Sailors should keep in mind is to schedule this with their chain of command, so their division and department don't go over the approved percentages of Sailors on leave or TAD at one time," said Lohmeyer. "As long as our Sailors keep an open mind, I'm sure each department will work with their people as much as possible to try to create as many win-win situations as they can."

With the first OPLIFT underneath Ronald Reagan's belt, the problems and struggles learned last time will help Ronald Reagan make this one a smoother process.

"The biggest problem we encountered was communication between Sailors and their chain of command," said Lohmeyer. "Sailors sign up for the OPLIFT and then decided to drive their cars to Bremerton which opened spots for others on the OPLIFT. To avoid the same problem twice, we need to make sure our OPLIFT coordinators review their rosters several times as we approach the deadline. If we can get the Sailors on the list before they leave town, we can save them a lot of money."

According to Lohmeyer, the onload of vehicles should take only one day.

"We were able to unload all the cars in a day when we docked here in Bremerton," said Lohmeyer. "We estimate that it should take the same amount of time to load the cars back on. Because of this, Sailors will have to be ready for their load time ready to go. (i.e. filled with fuel, cleaned and packed.) And because we want to accommodate as many people as we can, if you're on the standby list and someone doesn't show up, be ready to go."

The most important thing to know is that this command is doing it's very best to help its crew come back home without spending their bankroll.

The transit to San Diego will mark a new beginning for this ship and her crew; this warship will get back to what she does best—defending our natural right to freedom.

## Vehicle Processing Center Info

### Seattle VPC

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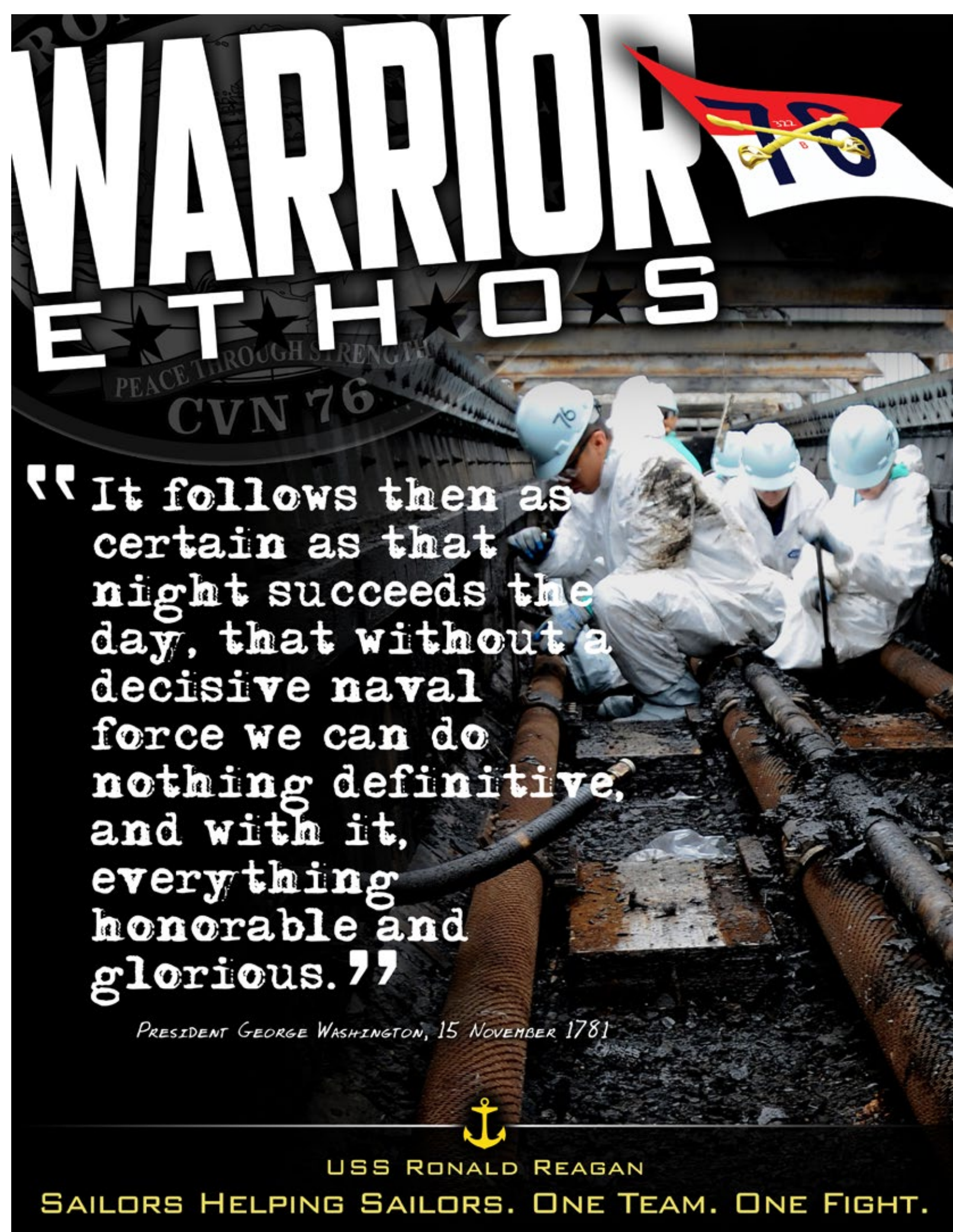
Phone: (253) 272-1712  
Commercial: 1-800-597-1833  
Email: [CColeman@vasnet.com](mailto:CColeman@vasnet.com)  
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POV processing hours  
Monday-Friday 0800-1600  
Saturday CLOSED  
Sunday CLOSED  
Federal Holidays CLOSED

### San Diego VPC

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PRESIDENT GEORGE WASHINGTON, 15 NOVEMBER 1781



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# FAQ

## Frequently Ask Questions

### IT'S OFFICIAL!

#### Read the CNO message relating to the homeport change.

RONALD REAGAN will be completing a Homeport Change to San Diego, CA effective 01 Feb 2013. If you have additional questions, please contact your Departmental Homeport Change Coordinator.

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### When will the Change of Homeport (COHP) be effective?

CNO promulgation date is 14 MAY 2012 with an effective date for the COHP of 01 FEB 2013

### Who will get a Homeport Change Certificate (HPCC)?

All personnel who are attached or assigned on the date CNO promulgates a change of homeport or PDS are entitled to move their family member(s) and ship Household Goods (HHG) if they will have one year remaining onboard after the effective date of COHP. PRD/EAOS must be on or after 01 FEB 2014 in order to receive an HPCC.

### The following personnel are not entitled to an HPCC:

a. A member who has received PCS orders (including separation or Resignation orders) or received written notification of intended issuance of such orders prior to movement of family member(s) or shipment of HHG.

1. (Enlisted only) A member who has less than 90 days obligated service (OBLISERV) remaining on the effective date of the COHP.

(a) Separation orders will be issued.

(b) If the member's services can be spared, the member will be transferred for separation.

(c) If the member's services cannot be spared, and the member is required to accompany the ship to the new homeport (cannot exceed EAOS).

2. (Officers only) Members who intend to submit a resignation or retirement request must submit in accordance with the MILPERSMAN and meet the required submission dates. If the request is not submitted in time and the officer executes they may be held to the Minimum tour for Separation.

(a) Members who have greater than 90 days after the command leaves Bremerton enroute to San Diego, but have less than one year remaining onboard.

(b) Member may be eligible for storage of HHG and POV at government expense or BAH at Bremerton rate. JFTR U4770 refers. Contact the HHG Helpdesk 1-800-444-7789 or NVTRNSHHGHELPLINE@navy.mil for more information.

• NOTE: If the member is not under orders and is not eligible for a HPCC and the member is required to accompany the command to the new homeport, then these expenses (HHG/POV storage) will be incurred by the command or ISIC. This is an expense not covered by N10 or NPC.



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### What will a HPCC entitle me to?

A HPCC will entitle you to shipment of HHG, Dependent travel, shipment of Privately Owned Vehicle (POV), and Dislocation Allowance (DLA) if eligible.

### I am a single Sailor entitled to a HPCC, how will I get my car to San Diego?

You will be entitled to ship or drive a vehicle at government expense to the new homeport. You must have at least 12 months from the COHP effective date to be entitled to this.

### I am a married Sailor; will I be able to ship two vehicles to San Diego?

No, only one vehicle may be shipped in conjunction with a homeport change.

### I will not have 12 months remaining after the effective date of the COHP and am not eligible for a HPCC; will I be able to ship my car to the new homeport?

No, there is no entitlement for a partial HPCC for POV shipment only.

### I am a single Sailor entitled to a HPCC receiving BAH at the single rate, what will happen to my BAH?

If you are authorized to reside off of the ship, you will be able to receive BAH at the San Diego rate of the date 01 February 2013; however, you will be required to re-route your request chit through the chain of command upon arrival at the new homeport.

### I am a single Sailor NOT entitled to a HPCC receiving BAH at the single rate, what will happen to my BAH?

Single members (or mil-mil) who are not eligible (and subsequently not issued) a COHP - and were authorized BAH prior to the COHP, should continue to maintain BAH at the old duty station rate, provided that they maintain a residence at the old homeport or establish a new one at new HP.

If single members place their items in storage at the old homeport, they will not be authorized to maintain their BAH because they are permanently assigned to the RONALD REAGAN and occupation of government quarters will be considered to be on a permanent basis, as they have no residence elsewhere. COLA (if authorized) will be at the reduced rate when occupying government quarters.

### I need to break my current lease... how do I do that?

With a HPCC/PCS orders, a member will be able to terminate a lease under the Service Members' Civil Relief Act. Those who aren't entitled to a HPCC will get a Statement of Deployment letter to present to their landlord.

### Can E4 and below, not authorized BAH, move household goods?

Yes, if they are entitled to a HPCC, but they will not be entitled to DLA since they are not authorized to reside off ship. Again, you must have 12 months remaining onboard after arrival.

### Can I go to the area of the new homeport under no-cost TAD orders to find housing?

Yes, per MPM 1320-210, the Commanding Officer can authorize up to 5 normal work days house-hunting TAD. This can be extended to a total of 10 calendar days when combined with weekends, holidays and liberty. These orders are no-cost orders. Call 877-NAVY-BED for lodging at Navy Gateway Inns & Suites.

### I am a married Sailor or a Sailor claiming dependents, when will my BAH rate change?

It will change upon the effective date of the COHP—01 February 2013. You can also request BAH at dependent's location since the RONALD REAGAN is considered Unusually Arduous Sea Duty (UASD) or if your family moves earlier than the effective date of the COHP or relocate to a designated place with a BAH rate higher than San Diego.

### My family is currently living in Navy/Govt. Housing, when will I have to move my family out of housing? Can my family request a waiver to remain in housing at least to my PRD?

Your family must relocate from base housing at the old homeport upon the effective date of the COHP; however, you can request a waiver in writing from the Director of Military Family Housing at your old homeport.

### When is the last day I can move my family or HHG to Bremerton on my current Bremerton orders?

HHG cannot be shipped and dependents are no longer authorized travel to the current homeport of Bremerton, WA as of the date of promulgation 14 MAY 2012, they are only authorized travel to the new homeport or designated place (there is no waiver authority in the JFTR for this). Again, you must have at least 12 months remaining onboard from the effective COHP date.

### When can I move my family or HHG to San Diego, CA with a HPCC?

You may move family to San Diego after 14 MAY 2012 or upon receipt of the HPCC, whichever is later.

From 14 MAY 2012 until COHP effective date of 01 FEB 2013, Sailors moving with families to San Diego or designated place are authorized PCS travel allowances from the old homeport to the new homeport (or designated place). The Sailor is authorized a funded return trip to old permanent duty station (PDS) via government procured transportation. U5120-F1 refers.

If "DUE TO MISSION REQUIREMENTS" the member and/or family is not able to relocate HHG/family to the new PDS prior to the effective date of 01 FEB 2013, the member may be authorized to return from the new PDS to the old PDS after the effective change date of the COHP for the specified purposes associated with moving HHG, POV and/or to accompany dependents to the new PDS. Travel must begin within 180 days after the PDS change effective date and prior to the order expiration date. Requests for travel commencing after 180 days must be authorized/approved through the Secretarial Process. U5120-F7 refers.

### Will I receive DLA if I move my family from the old homeport to another location, other than the new homeport?

Yes, but only one DLA payment is authorized per move. If you choose to move them to the new homeport later, you will not be authorized DLA or government funded travel. Sailors requesting to relocate dependents to a location other than the new homeport should request a Designated Place move.

### I have less than 12 months onboard after the COHP (PRD/EAOS before 01 FEB 2014), what are my options when it comes to orders?

If you accept an HPCC, your PRD will be adjusted to a minimum of one year onboard after arrival. If you are not authorized a HPCC, you will need to work with your Homeport Change Coordinator and Departmental Career Counselor.

### I am married to another military person, what do I have to do for spouse co-location?

You are required to have 1 year onboard prior to requesting spouse collocation. Once the 1 year minimum is met, cases will have to be worked through your applicable detailers. Further guidance may be found in MPM 1300-1000.

### In what circumstances will I be entitled to FSA (Family Separation Allowance)?

If you are NOT authorized to accept a HPCC you will receive FSA (Restricted) on the 31st day of forced separation from family members once the ship departs in the area of the old port.

Sailors that report after the promulgation date 14 May 2012 whose family members are directed to move to the new home port while the ship is still at the old homeport will be entitled to FSA(R).

For those that are eligible for a HPCC, you will receive FSA (Ship) only when the ship is underway for periods in excess of 30 days.

FSA is currently \$250.00 per month.

NOTE: If you are issued a HPCC and authorized to move your family to the new homeport yet choose not to, you will NOT receive FSA; this is a personal election that does not warrant payment of this allowance. If no HPCC is authorized, then FSA is payable. Sailors may not refuse a HPCC as a means to receive FSA.

### I have an Exceptional Family Member (EFM), what do I have to do?

Contact the ship's EFM coordinator, who will work with the EFM Coordinator at the new PDS to verify



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