



# **USAG BAUMHOLDER ISSUE UPDATE BOOK**

**COMPLETED/UNATTAINABLE  
ISSUES**

**February 2011**

**This publication provides information about the USAG Baumholder AFAP issues prioritized at previous USAG Baumholder AFAP Symposiums. These issues have been closed, after being deemed completed or as unattainable. It includes information about issues that were worked locally and those forwarded to the USAREUR level.**

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) is a grassroots-level process that identifies issues of concern to the global Army Family. It gives everyone in the Army the opportunity to influence his/her own quality of life and standard of living. The AFAP process is designed to ensure maximum participation of America's Army Family at all levels of the chain of command. This includes all ranks, sponsored and un-sponsored, male and female, civilian and military, adults and youth.

Forums are held annually at Army installations and communities throughout the world. Each Army installation conducts an annual AFAP conference. Members of the community represent America's Army Family to identify, develop, and prioritize unit/community/installation quality of life issues. Lead agencies are assigned to research and, if applicable, implement solutions to the issues raised at the AFAP Symposium. The Commander's AFAP Steering Committee monitors progress of these issues.

At USAG Baumholder, the AFAP Steering Committee meets quarterly to monitor progress in resolving USAG Baumholder's Quality of Life concerns. The results of this meeting are forwarded to the Garrison Commander for final approval. Issues beyond the scope of the Garrison Commander, requiring a higher level authority, are forwarded to United States Army Europe (USAREUR) to be reviewed at the annual USAREUR AFAP Symposium. The community is provided feedback on the status of AFAP issues using a variety of mechanisms, including the community newspaper, websites, briefings, and the publication of this Issue Update book.

AFAP issues requiring Department of the Army (DA), Department of Defense (DOD) or congressional action are forwarded to USAREUR and are presented at the USAREUR AFAP Symposium, typically held each spring. Delegates who attend the USAREUR and DA AFAP conference include representation from all components of America's Army Family: active duty (including single Soldiers), Reserves, National Guard, retirees, DA civilians and Family members (including youth). USAG Baumholder typically sends at least one delegate from the community to participate.

Similar to installation AFAP delegates, higher level AFAP delegates are assigned to work groups to discuss and prioritize issues. They examine issues that have been forwarded from the field and determine which issues they consider to be most important to the welfare of the Total Army Family. Each work group must prioritize its issues for recommendation in the AFAP. At DA, all issues recommended for the plan are briefed to the Vice Chief of Staff of the Army (VCSA) on the final day of the conference and are submitted to the Chief of Staff of the Army for approval. Once adopted, the issues are assigned to the appropriate Army staff office to be worked toward resolution. The number of issues entering the plan each year is limited in order to allow the lead agency offices sufficient time to work the issues toward resolution.

An AFAP General Officer's Steering Committee (GOSC), chaired by the Vice Chief of Staff of the Army (VCSA), is the final approving authority for all AFAP issues. The GOSC is composed of general officer level representation from the Department of Defense and Army secretariats, Army staff agencies, and the MACOMs. The GOSC meets semiannually, in the spring and fall, to receive briefings on the progress of approximately 25 AFAP active issues. The VCSA, in the role of GOSC Chairperson, provides direction on the active issues and identifies the final issue status as active, completed or unattainable.

**USAG Baumholder Army Family Action Plan  
COMPLETED/UNATTAINABLE ISSUE INDEX**

<b>ISSUE #</b>	<b>ISSUE TITLE</b>	<b>LEAD AGENCY (Assist Agency)</b>	<b>SUBJECT AREA</b>	<b>FINAL STATUS</b>	<b>LAST UPDATE</b>	<b>ISSUE Status</b>
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As of February 2011 all tracked issues for USAG Baumholder are considered active and are under review.

## 2010 USAG Baumholder Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) Issues

**ISSUE 09-01:**

**FINAL STATUS:**

**ORIGINATED:**

**SUBJECT AREA:**

**SCOPE:**

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

**PROGRESS:**

**LEAD AGENCY:**

**LAST UPDATE:**

## 2009 USAG Baumholder Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) Issues

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**SUBJECT AREA:**

**SCOPE:**

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