**Welcome Aboard!**

Congratulations on your assignment to the South East North Carolina area. We look forward to you joining our team.

***The State of North Carolina is home to some of the nation’s most diverse aquatic habitats, including 23 species of threatened sea turtles, birds, whales, fish, and sea grasses.  North Carolina’s busy waterways boast a robust commercial ferry system, two major international ports, and a commercial fishing fleet of over 9000 vessels.  The challenging environment beset by shifting sands, shallow inlets, and the constant threat of hurricanes make North Carolina waterways some of the most difficult to navigate.***

This document is divided into four sections to bring an overview of the south-eastern North Carolina region to our relocating members (General Info, Wilmington, Central Area, and Outer Banks). Be sure to check out all of the sections to find the best community and lifestyle to fit you and your family’s needs.

Begin with the following sites as each one has information that can help familiarize you with the area. The Sector sites have housing requirements and options as well as links to other units in the area. The CGC Diligence link is a page of school, real estate, utility, and entertainment links. If you are reporting to Special Missions Training Center, they have sections on Student Reporting or PSC/TDY Reporting with valuable information you will need.

Sector NC Portal Page <https://cg.portal.uscg.mil/units/sectornorthcarolina/SitePages/Home.aspx>

[Special Missions Training Center (SMTC) Public Page](http://www.forcecom.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/FORCECOM-UNITS/SMTC/)

For specific unit check in locations, hours, OOD numbers and uniform requirements, please contact your unit sponsor. Find your unit in the [CG Portal](https://cgportal2.uscg.mil/SitePages/Unit%20Site%20Search.aspx) for additional information. Select your state then search for your unit.

For your unit’s public website, check out the Atlantic Area and District 5 pages and search for your unit. These sites can also direct you to valuable information regarding MWR, Weather (including hurricane preparedness), Ombudsman, and much more. [www.uscg.mil/lantarea](http://www.uscg.mil/lantarea) [www.uscg.mil/d5](http://www.uscg.mil/d5)

Another way to ensure contact with your unit Ombudsman is to go to [www.cgombudsmanregistry.org](http://www.cgombudsmanregistry.org) and click the “Contact Your Ombudsman” link. They can provide spouses with programs, services, and resources that may otherwise go unknown.

**Moving Resources:**

Sector North Carolina covers housing for the area. You will need to submit a Housing Application (DD1746) for authorization to be released to reside on the local economy but there are some options for government housing as well. Ensure you go to the above Sector NC Portal or Public site to get the details.

[www.military.com](http://www.military.com) has checklists (Military Life tab-PCS), advice, videos, discounts, and much more.

General information on cities [www.citysearch.com](http://www.citysearch.com) <http://www.citylink.com/unitedstates.html> [www.pcsgrades.com](http://www.pcsgrades.com)

[Six pages of website resources](https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Director-of-Operational-Logistics-DOL/Bases/Base-Portsmouth/Health-Safety-Work-Life-Department/TRA/)

**House Hunting**

Automated Housing Referral Network [www.ahrn.com](http://www.ahrn.com)

Military Housing Search [www.homes.mil](http://www.homes.mil)

Apartment Rental Search [www.move.com](http://www.move.com)

Public-Private Venture (PPV) Housing [www.lincolnmilitary.com](http://www.lincolnmilitary.com)

Military by Owner [www.militarybyowner.com](http://www.militarybyowner.com)

**TRICARE**

TRICARE: [www.tricare.mil](http://www.tricare.mil) East Region: 1-800-444-5445

My Tricare: [www.mytricare.com/internet/tric/tri/tricare.nsf](http://www.mytricare.com/internet/tric/tri/tricare.nsf)

**Other Information**

Coast Guard Support Program 855-247-8778 [www.cgsuprt.com](http://www.cgsuprt.com)

Navy Fleet & Family Support Program [www.ffsp.navy.mil](http://www.ffsp.navy.mil)

[Spouse Education and Employment](https://www.militaryonesource.mil/education-employment/for-spouses) or try [www.careeronestop.org](http://www.careeronestop.org)

Learn what programs, like WIC or SNAP, your family qualifies for based on income:

[www.fns.usda.gov/get-involved/military-and-veteran-families](http://www.fns.usda.gov/get-involved/military-and-veteran-families)

Dial 211 or visit <https://www.211virginia.org/consumer/index.php> for a free 24/7 service to help you find local resources.

There is a wide variety of churches and religions practiced in the area and Coast Guard Chaplains.

[www.churchfinder.com](http://www.churchfinder.com)

[Base Elizabeth City Chapel](http://www.dcms.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Director-of-Operational-Logistics-DOL/Bases/Base-Elizabeth-City/Base-Elizabeth-City-Chapel/)

<https://www.atlanticarea.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/District-5/District-Staff/Chaplain/> District 5 Chaplain (located on Base Portsmouth)

**Schools/Child Care:**

Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children in NC <http://www.ncleg.net/enactedlegislation/statutes/html/bysection/chapter_115c/gs_115c-407.5.html>

Home School Information and Resources in NC <http://ncadmin.nc.gov/citizens/home-school-information>

Military Child Education Coalition [www.militarychild.org](http://www.militarychild.org)

Great Schools Search [www.greatschools.net/](http://www.greatschools.net/)

School Digger Search [www.schooldigger.com/](http://www.schooldigger.com/)

Tutor.com/military <http://military.tutor.com/home>

NC Division of Child Development & Early Education Child Care Provider

Search <http://ncchildcaresearch.dhhs.state.nc.us/search.asp>

Child Care Aware child care search <http://www.childcareaware.org/ccrr-search-form/>

Care.com child care search <http://www.care.com/military-families-care-p1321.html>

***WILMINGTON AREA***

This area includes Wilmington down to the South Carolina boarder. Commands include Sector North Carolina, CGC DILIGENCE, Station Wrightsville Beach, CGC BAYBERRY, ANT and Station Oak Island, and ESD Southport.

Detailed housing options <https://www.atlanticarea.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/District-5/District-Units/Sector-North-Carolina/>

**Utilities** *and some other stuff***:**

Most utilities, especially water, wastewater, trash, and recycling, will depend on the city or county you live in. Searching for the area’s public utilities will give you more information; here are some to get you started. These sites also have great information from libraries to public transportation options to events.

New Haven County (Services section has links to more local communities) <http://www.nhcgov.com/>

Wilmington <http://www.wilmingtonnc.gov/> <https://www.wilmingtonchamber.org/>

Wrightsville Beach <http://www.townofwrightsvillebeach.com/>

Brunswick County (Under Stay Informed tab, For New Residents) <http://www.brunswickcountync.gov/>

Oak Island <http://www.oakislandnc.com/>

Pender County (Living Tab has great information) <http://www.pendercountync.gov/>

Duke Energy (Electric): <http://www.duke-energy.com/north-carolina.asp>

Piedmont Natural Gas: <http://www.piedmontng.com/>

Cape Fear Public Utility Authority: <http://www.cfpua.org/>

Brunswick Regional Water and Sewer <http://www.h2goonline.com/>

Spectrum Cable: <https://www.spectrum.com/>

**Schools/Child Care:**

New Hanover County Schools: <http://www.nhcs.net/>

Brunswick County Schools: <https://www.bcswan.net/>

Pender County Schools: <http://www.pendercountyschools.net>

University of North Carolina at Wilmington: <http://www.uncw.edu/>

Cape Fear Community College: <http://cfcc.edu/>

**Visitor Sites:**

These sites are more along the tourist side, but still a great resource for learning the area and local events.

<http://www.whatsonwilmington.com/about.php>

<https://www.wilmingtonandbeaches.com/>

<https://www.wilmingtonandbeaches.com/wrightsville-beach/>

<http://www.ncbrunswick.com/islands/oak_island>

<http://www.visitpender.com/>

**Military Installations:**

Fort Bragg: <http://www.bragg.army.mil/>

Pope Air Force Base: <https://www.pope.af.mil/>

***CENTRAL AREA (CRYSTAL COAST)***

This area is from Hobucken, NC down to the Special Operations Training Team and ESD located in Camp Lejeune, NC. Commands for this area include ANT, ESD, ISD, MAT, SFO, and Station Fort Macon, CGC ELM, CGC NANTUCKET, CGC CUSHING, CGC SMILAX, Station Emerald Isle, and Station Hobucken.

Detailed housing options <https://www.atlanticarea.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/District-5/District-Units/Sector-North-Carolina/Reporting-Aboard/>

In order to give you some understanding on the impact of the summer vacation season from Memorial Day through Labor Day, the average population of Carteret County outside this period is about 66k and during the summer vacation time the population can expand upwards of 400k. The counties in the area are Onslow (Camp Lejeune), Carteret (Coastal/Fort Macon/Emerald Isle), and Pamlico (Hobucken).

These two sites are full of content to familiarize you with your new area: [www.crystalcoast.com/](http://www.crystalcoast.com/)

<http://northcarolina.hometownlocator.com/> (check out Onslow, Pamlico, and Carteret Counties)

**Utilities** *and some other stuff***:**

Most utilities, especially water, wastewater, trash, and recycling, will depend on the city or county you live in. Searching for the area’s public utilities will give you more information; here are some to get you started. These sites also have great information from libraries to public transportation options to events.

<https://www.onslowcountync.gov/> and [www.jacksonvillenc.gov/](http://www.jacksonvillenc.gov/)

[www.carteretcountync.gov/](http://www.carteretcountync.gov/)

[www.pamlicochamber.com/about-pamlico-county-1.html](http://www.pamlicochamber.com/about-pamlico-county-1.html)

For those transferring to Camp Lejeune, check out Jacksonville for more city living and these southern towns to live closer to the coast: Sneads Ferry, North Topsail Beach, Holly Ridge, etc.

[www.onwasa.com/](http://www.onwasa.com/) (Water & Sewer) [www.plurisusa.com/](http://www.plurisusa.com/) (Sneads Ferry Water) <http://www.topsailbeach.org/Residents/Water-and-Garbage-Service>

<http://townofhollyridge.net/info/services/> <https://www.joemc.com/> (Electric)

For those transferring to the coastal units check out this Carteret County website for a complete list of utilities <http://www.carteretcravenelectric.coop/> (Electric) <https://www.carteretcountync.gov/511/Water-Utilities-Division> (Water/Utilities)

For those transferring to Station Hobucken check out this site for links to schools, utilities, and more: [www.pamlicocounty.org](http://www.pamlicocounty.org) \*\*this .org website cannot be accessed from a government computer\*\*

**Schools/Child Care:**

<https://www.onslow.k12.nc.us/>

<http://www.onslowkids.org/military-family-resources/> is for low income family support in Onslow County.

Marine Corp Camp Lejeune-New River Child & Youth Programs [www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/cyp/](http://www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/cyp/)

[www.carteretcountyschools.org/](http://www.carteretcountyschools.org/)

[https://www.pamlicoschools.org/](http://www.pamlico.k12.nc.us/)

**Military Installations:**

Camp Lejeune: [www.lejeune.marines.mil/](http://www.lejeune.marines.mil/)

Cherry Point Air Station: [www.cherrypoint.marines.mil/](http://www.cherrypoint.marines.mil/)

New River Air Station: [www.newriver.marines.mil/](http://www.newriver.marines.mil/)

Seymour Johnson Air Force Base: [www.seymourjohnson.af.mil/](http://www.seymourjohnson.af.mil/)

**Visitor Site:** [www.crystalcoastnc.org/](http://www.crystalcoastnc.org/)

***OUTER BANKS AREA***

The Outer Banks are barrier islands off the coast of North Carolina, separating the Atlantic Ocean from the mainland. Commands for this area include SFO Cape Hatteras, ANT and ESD Outer Banks, Station Oregon Inlet, Station Hatteras Inlet, and Station Ocracoke.

Detailed housing options <https://www.atlanticarea.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/District-5/District-Units/Sector-North-Carolina/Reporting-Aboard/>

The number one difficulty with moving to this area is locating a place to live. You ***absolutely must*** start in March/April. This is due to the impact of the summer vacation season from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Dare County is the only county in the state to have about as many housing units as it does people. In the 2013 population estimates, they had nearly 35,000 permanent residents and estimates that its daily population increases by more than 225,000 additional residents during peak summer months.

These two sites are full of content to familiarize you with your new area:

[www.outerbanks.org/plan-your-trip/](http://www.outerbanks.org/plan-your-trip/)

<http://northcarolina.hometownlocator.com/> (check out Dare and Hyde Counties)

**Utilities** *and some other stuff***:**

Most utilities, especially water, wastewater, trash, and recycling, will depend on the city or county you live in. Searching for the area’s public utilities will give you more information; here are some to get you started. These sites also have great information from libraries to ferry schedules to events.

[www.darenc.com/](http://www.darenc.com/) [www.nagsheadnc.gov/](http://www.nagsheadnc.gov/) [www.kdhnc.com/](http://www.kdhnc.com/)

[www.townofduck.com](http://www.townofduck.com) [www.kittyhawknc.gov/](http://www.kittyhawknc.gov/) [www.townofmanteo.com/](http://www.townofmanteo.com/)

[www.hydecountync.gov/departments/public\_works.php](http://www.hydecountync.gov/departments/public_works.php)

This site has all kinds of links for companies from internet providers to real estate and even coupons.

<https://www.outerbankschamber.com/membership/>

Dare County Electric [www.chec.coop/](http://www.chec.coop/)

Hyde County Electric [www.tidelandemc.com/](http://www.tidelandemc.com/)

**Schools/Child Care:**

<http://www.dare.k12.nc.us/>

[www.hydecountync.gov/school\_news/index.php](http://www.hydecountync.gov/school_news/index.php)

**Visitor Sites:**

[www.nps.gov/caha/index.htm](http://www.nps.gov/caha/index.htm) [www.hatteras-nc.com/](http://www.hatteras-nc.com/) [www.killdevilhills.com/](http://www.killdevilhills.com/)

<https://www.visitocracokenc.com/> [www.ocracoke-nc.com/](http://www.ocracoke-nc.com/) <https://nagsheadguide.com/>

<https://corollaguide.com/> [www.visitcurrituck.com/](http://www.visitcurrituck.com/) [www.outerbanks.com/rodanthe.html](http://www.outerbanks.com/rodanthe.html)

[www.roanokeisland.com/](http://www.roanokeisland.com/) <https://roanokeisland.net/> [www.outerbanks.com/wanchese.html](http://www.outerbanks.com/wanchese.html)

***Virginia and Northern North Carolina Military Bases and Area Links***

**COAST GUARD**

U.S. Coast Guard 5th Atlantic Fleet <https://www.atlanticarea.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/District-5/>

[U.S. Coast Guard Training Center Yorktown, VA](https://www.forcecom.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/FORCECOM-UNITS/TraCen-Yorktown/)

U.S. Coast Guard Finance Center <https://www.fincen.uscg.mil/>

[U.S. Coast Guard Command Control Engineering Center](http://www.dcms.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Assistant-Commandant-for-C4IT-CG-6-/C3CEN/)

[U.S. Coast Guard Air Station Elizabeth City, NC](http://www.dcms.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Director-of-Operational-Logistics-DOL/Bases/Base-Elizabeth-City/)

U.S. Coast Guard CAMSLANT Chesapeake, VA [www.uscg.mil/lantarea/camslant/](http://www.uscg.mil/lantarea/camslant/)

There is also a stand-alone Coast Guard Exchange at the Crossways Shopping Center

1589 Crossways Blvd, Chesapeake, VA 23320; (757) 965-3880

**NAVY**

Naval Station Norfolk [www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrma/installations/ns\_norfolk.html](http://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrma/installations/ns_norfolk.html)

Naval Medical Center Portsmouth [www.med.navy.mil/sites/nmcp](http://www.med.navy.mil/sites/nmcp)

Norfolk Naval Shipyard [www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrma/installations/norfolk\_ns.html](http://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrma/installations/norfolk_ns.html)

Naval Weapons Station Yorktown <https://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrma/installations/nws_yorktown.html>

Naval Air Station Oceana [www.cnic.navy.mil/oceana/](http://www.cnic.navy.mil/oceana/)

Dam Neck Annex <https://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrma/installations/nas_oceana/dam_neck_annex.html>

Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story <http://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrma/installations/jeb_little_creek_fort_story.html>

Naval Support Activity Hampton Roads [www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrma/installations/nsa\_hampton\_roads.html](http://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrma/installations/nsa_hampton_roads.html)

**ARMY**

Fort Eustis [www.jble.af.mil/](http://www.jble.af.mil/)

Fort Story <https://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrma/installations/jeb_little_creek_fort_story.html>

**AIR FORCE**

Langley Air Force Base [www.jble.af.mil/](http://www.jble.af.mil/)

**MARINE CORPS**

U.S. Marine Corps Forces Command <http://www.marforcom.marines.mil/>

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| **North Carolina**  [Visit NC](https://www.visitnc.com/)  [Chamber of Commerce](http://www.elizabethcitychamber.org/)  [Discover Elizabeth City](http://discoverelizabethcity.com/)  [ElizCity](http://www.elizcity.com/)  [City of Elizabeth City](http://www.cityofec.com/)  [Downtown Elizabeth City](http://www.ecdowntown.com/)  [Port Discover](https://portdiscover.wildapricot.org/)  [E-City Potato Festival](http://www.ncpotatofestival.com/)  [Camden County, NC](http://www.camdencountync.gov/)  [Hertford, NC](http://townofhertfordnc.com/)  [Edenton-Chowan County, NC](http://www.visitedenton.com/)  [The Outer Banks (OBX)](http://www.outerbanks.org/)  [Dismal Swamp Canal](http://dismalswampwelcomecenter.com/)  [Museum of Albemarle](http://museumofthealbemarle.com/)  [Arts of the Albemarle](http://www.artsaoa.com/)  [Bicycling NC](https://www.ncdot.gov/bikeped/ncbikeways/default.aspx) | **Virginia**  [Busch Gardens](http://seaworldparks.com/en/buschgardens-williamsburg)  [Water Country USA](https://www.visitwilliamsburg.com/attractions/water-country-usa)  [King's Dominion](http://www.kingsdominion.com)  [Great Wolf Lodge](https://www.greatwolf.com/williamsburg)  [Colonial Williamsburg](http://www.history.org/)  [Jamestown Settlement & American Revolution](http://www.historyisfun.org/)  [Children's Museum of Virginia](http://www.childrensmuseumva.com)  [Nauticus: The National Maritime Center](http://www.nauticus.org/)  [Virginia Living Museum](http://www.thevlm.org/)  [Old Coast Guard Station](http://www.oldcoastguardstation.com)  [Coastal Virginia](http://visitcoastalvirginia.com/)  [Norfolk Tides](http://www.milb.com/index.jsp?sid=t568)  [Norfolk Admirals](https://www.norfolkadmirals.com/#tab_statistics-players-leaders=forwards&tab_standings-groups-leaders-conference-eastern=conference&tab_standings-groups-leaders-conference-western=conference&tab_standings-groups-leaders=eastern)  [Peninsula Pilots](http://www.peninsulapilots.com/)  [Langley Speedway](http://www.langley-speedway.com/)  [Virginia Sports Hall of Fame](https://vasportshof.com/) |