

**Recreation Center (Community Center). FAC: 7417**

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OPR: AF/A1S

OCR: AFSVA

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1.1. **Description.** This facility serves as a center of recreation to enhance the life of the military community through recreation and leisure-time activities. Several activities may be provided in a single facility including social, recreation, and community activities; single airmen activity center; education and vocational classes; technological center; competitive activities; family activities; information, ticket, and tour operations, and so forth. Functions such as hobby shops, libraries, and other activities may be included at small installations to enhance economy of operations and construction, and user convenience.

1.2. **Requirements Determination.** Deduct space allocated to specific functions at these sites from the allowable space allowance for the same function listed elsewhere. Consolidation of functions is recommended at larger installations to enhance economy of construction, energy savings and convenience. The gross floor areas for the centers may not exceed the space allowances listed in **Table 1.1**.

1.3. **Scope Determination.** **Table 1.1** shows maximum authorized scope only, not the scope that may be approved. Base the scope used for programming, budgeting and design on need as documented by a professional, in-depth market survey. Because of higher utilization of overseas facilities, consider adding 5 to 10 percent to the authorized scope for these facilities (including Alaska and Hawaii). DoD civilians assigned to overseas facilities are to be counted as active-duty strength for facility sizing purposes (including Alaska and Hawaii). Contact MAJCOM Director of Services for current criteria and guidelines.

1.4. **Design Considerations.** Contact OPR for latest requirements and guidance.

**Table 1.1. Space Allowances for Community Centers.**

Total Customer Base <sup>1</sup>	Gross Area <sup>2,3,4</sup>	
	m <sup>2</sup>	ft <sup>2</sup>
Up to 250	Accommodate in other facilities	
251 to 5004	372	4,000
501 to 2,000	1,180	12,700
2,001 to 4,000	1,840	19,800
4,001 to 5,000	2,580	27,800
5,001 to 10,000	5,120	55,600
10,001 to 15,000	7,740	83,400
For each additional 5,000	2,580	27,800

**NOTES:**

1. Total customer base is identified as active-duty personnel assigned to the military

installation, plus 10 percent of their dependents. Verify the total customer with a validated PVA Study.

2. Mechanical equipment room space, as required, should be added to the gross areas when determining a single gross area figure for each facility.
3. Gross areas may be provided in more than one facility, provided the total maximum authorized area is not exceeded.
4. Gross area should be combined with other recreation facilities when possible.