



# THE FEDROOMS®

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### HELP DESK

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### EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR TRAVELERS

Want to learn more about FedRooms, the official government-wide lodging program? Attend the upcoming **FedRooms® 101** training webinar (it's free!)

- **Tuesday, March 9, 2010 at 2pm central time.**

The webinar is a 1/2 hour overview of the FedRooms program (who can use the program, how to access the FedRooms Rate, etc.), followed by optional Q&A and discussion time.

Visit the [FedRooms 101](#) link on the traveler page at [FedRooms.com](#) for additional information. FedRooms® will also host private sessions for groups of 15 or more. Contact [krista@fedrooms.com](mailto:krista@fedrooms.com) for details.

### QUOTE OF THE QUARTER

"FedRooms.com is a good alternative to hunting all over for sales/bargains. I like the cancellation policy too!"

-**Federal traveler**, via [FedRooms.com website usability survey](#)

### CHANGE IS IN THE AIR AT FEDROOMS.COM

FedRooms recently rolled out some exciting enhancements to [FedRooms.com](#), including:

**1** The default search now allows travelers to type in destination city and country. The result is a much faster search (versus the previous drop-down menus). Additionally, travelers can now sort results by distance from destination in search results.

**2** FedRooms has partnered with Cvent to provide market research services for **Group and Meetings** planners. Click on the rotating ad on the home page, or the [Groups and Meetings tab](#) at the top of FedRooms.com.

**3** FedRooms.com now links to the GSA's **Schedule 48 Long Term Lodging (30+ days) vendors** to assist Federal travelers when they are planning long term official travel. Click on the rotating banner on FedRooms.com to book a reservation with one of the [GSA's long term lodging providers](#). This page can also be accessed through the Traveler tab at the top of FedRooms.com.

### COFFEE TALK: YOUR FEEDBACK FOR A CUPPA JOE

What do you think of the changes to FedRooms.com? Will you take advantage of the new meetings program and long term lodging page? Respond to our [brief survey](#) (less than 5 minutes) by March 31 and you'll be entered into a drawing to win one of 10 Starbucks gift cards (\$5 value).



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- Hot full breakfast

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## ATTENTION MEETING PLANNERS!

Need to find a site for a government group or meeting? FedRooms can help!

FedRooms has partnered with Cvent to test a groups and meetings program for government and military meeting planners.

The test program, launched in February, offers market research for possible meeting sites for groups of ten or more. The process for meeting planners to participate in this test program follows:

1. Meeting planner completes a [questionnaire on www.fedrooms.com](http://www.fedrooms.com/questionnaire), detailing group and/or meeting requirements. Requests should be submitted no less than 30 days prior to the meeting.
2. FedRooms reviews the requirements and send meeting information to participating hotels that meet the criteria submitted by the meeting planner.
3. FedRooms collects and evaluates hotel responses, returning all applicable information to the meeting planner within 5 business days of initial request for site selection.

Questions about the Groups and Meetings test program should be sent to [meetings@fedrooms.com](mailto:meetings@fedrooms.com).

## NEED LONG TERM LODGING? FEDROOMS HAS YOU CONNECTED!

For many years, FedRooms has offered short term (or "transient," for 1-29 nights) lodging for government and military travelers on official travel. Because we know many travelers' needs do not end with transient accommodations, we have partnered with the GSA's Long Term Lodging Vendors (30+ nights) to streamline the travelers' booking processes. Visit our [Long Term Lodging Vendors](#) page\* on FedRooms.com (either click the rotating ad on the home page, or choose the link on the "traveler" page on FedRooms.com) to link directly to reservations pages for these vendors.

*\*All of the vendors appearing on this page are on GSA Schedule 48, SIN 653-9 (Long Term Lodging)*

## FEDROOMS® FAQs

- Q:** I noticed that the default search on FedRooms.com now requires you to enter an address. Can I still search by choosing cities and states from the drop-down menus that used to appear on the home page?
- A:** Yes. Simply click the "Search By Area" radio button at the top of the search section, and you will be directed to the former default search page.

Book here. It's that easy.

Search By Address  Search By Area