

Apocalypse 265

Chapter 265 One Problem After Another

There might also be additional recipes available from future rewards that could be added to the perks, reducing the need for warriors to use their work points to purchase these items at the Supply Center.

After Kisha finished making the updates, she noticed the eager expressions on the civilians' faces as they eagerly awaited the posting of the new recruitment poster, hoping to get a closer look and see if they could join and see if the rewards were better.

Duke, noticing the commotion and realizing that Kisha had completed the changes, decided to give the warriors a break. He walked over to see what she was up to. While no one openly discussed how attached Duke was to his wife, the warriors quickly moved aside, fearing that obstructing his path might result in extra push-ups or an extended horse stance.

Duke made his way swiftly to Kisha's side without any obstruction.

Before Kisha could notice, Duke had already wrapped his strong arms around her petite waist and leaned over to read the poster she was passing to Aston. He rested his chin on her shoulder, seemingly oblivious to the crowd's curious stares. Kisha, however, felt a flush of embarrassment as she realized the public display of affection was drawing wide-eyed attention from onlookers.

Kisha elbowed Duke's muscular stomach, but he didn't budge, as if he were deliberately teasing her. After enjoying the sight of her blushing with embarrassment, he finally took a step back, letting her regain her composure.

Seeing Kisha bashful and cute brightened Duke's day. He believed that while she maintained a deadpan expression in front of others, she only showed emotional fluctuations when it came to him and her family.

"Wifey, I think you might have forgotten to include water in the compensation," Duke remarked after glancing at the poster. "Water's just as essential as the other items."

"Really? I must have overlooked it," Kisha replied thoughtfully. "And now that you mention it, I realize there's something else I forgot to include." She took the poster back from Aston and began revising it. Meanwhile, Duke stood behind her, lightly massaging her shoulders to ensure she could work comfortably.

His affectionate gesture not only highlighted their close bond but also brought a touch of lightheartedness to the onlookers, who were amused to see the usually stern Vice City Lord displaying his more playful and eccentric side.

Now, the compensation page has had a new addition.

[Compensation:

5 kilograms each of rice, vegetables, and assorted meats per week. 400 work points per week. 20% discount at the Supply Center (exclusive to warriors). Free medical check-ups and essential medicine for warriors and their immediate family members. One bottle of Scarlet Honey every two weeks. Exclusive use of the water, relocation to a better housing facility including the immediate family.

Additional perks may be introduced as the base and resources expand.]

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To maintain dedication and ensure that their work remains effective, it's essential to set clear goals for everyone. If the survivors in the base were to receive nearly everything they need without any effort, they might become overly dependent on Kisha and her people, taking their support for granted.

This could lead to a sense of entitlement, where they view Kisha's group as solely responsible for their well-being. By establishing goals and encouraging self-sufficiency, they will better appreciate the support they receive and contribute more meaningfully to the community.

Even with the promise of food and shelter, there's a risk that some might think minimal effort is sufficient. They may end up only doing the bare minimum, leading to inefficiencies and a lack of commitment. To prevent this, it's crucial to foster a strong work ethic and ensure that everyone understands the importance of giving their best effort.

Setting clear expectations and maintaining a system of accountability can help avoid such issues and encourage a more dedicated and productive workforce.

Instead, Kisha envisioned transforming the base into a small, self-sustaining city where everything operates on a pay-as-you-go basis. This approach would mirror the societal norms the inhabitants are familiar with, making the transition smoother while providing a sense of continuity.

By creating a familiar economic environment, she aims to foster a sense of personal responsibility and motivation among the community members. This structure would encourage them to work diligently

and maintain their own needs, reducing reliance on the leader's generosity and promoting a more self-sufficient and driven society.

This means that payments for housing, water, electricity, and other necessities would be required, along with taxes for those wishing to operate stalls in the marketplace. Offering free housing and water as part of the recruitment compensation for warriors is already a significant benefit.

With these provisions in place, they would have no further demands, allowing them to focus on their duties and protect the base with peace of mind, knowing their families are well taken care of.

With this level of compensation, they would be highly motivated to excel in their roles, striving to maintain their positions or even aim for promotions to improve their lives further.

With a nod of approval, Aston and Duke were satisfied with the revised compensation package for the warriors. They knew that the civilians who saw the poster would stop comparing safe jobs to the warrior recruitment, as the offer was clearly generous in comparison. The warriors' benefits were substantial, while other jobs merely offered work points.

However, with the inclusion of water in the compensation package, Kisha and Duke now needed to secure a reliable source of clean water for the base. Living in the middle of the city without access to a natural water source like a river made it impossible to rely on such methods. Instead, they needed to locate a water treatment plant and ensure it was operational to meet their needs.

Kisha understood that relying on the water treatment plant might not be a long-term solution. Given the virus had already contaminated most water sources, the plant's water could become unusable or even poisonous. The safest options in the interim were to rely on 'Water Type' superhumans or a clean spring, while they worked on a more permanent solution.

Having found a solution for the recruitment mission, Kisha now faced another problem that was giving her a pounding headache. It was precisely these kinds of burdens that made her reluctant to take on a leadership role.

With a heavy sigh, Kisha handed the revised poster to Aston, feeling the weight of her increased workload. Aston then made his way to the makeshift stage, where he gathered everyone below to announce the updated recruitment requirements and compensation details.

"What's wrong, Wifey? Shouldn't you be happy you've finished one of your tasks?" Duke asked, effortlessly guiding Kisha into his lap as he took a seat. He began stroking her soft hair soothingly, like calming an upset cat.

"Yes, we'll attract more recruits for the base's defense, but we also need to find a reliable water source. I doubt the water in the Villa's tanks will last us a month. We need to devise a plan and recruit 'Water Type' superhumans to ensure a drinkable supply while we search for a long-term solution to sustain the base," Kisha said, her frustration evident.

She felt surprisingly free to express her concerns openly to Duke.