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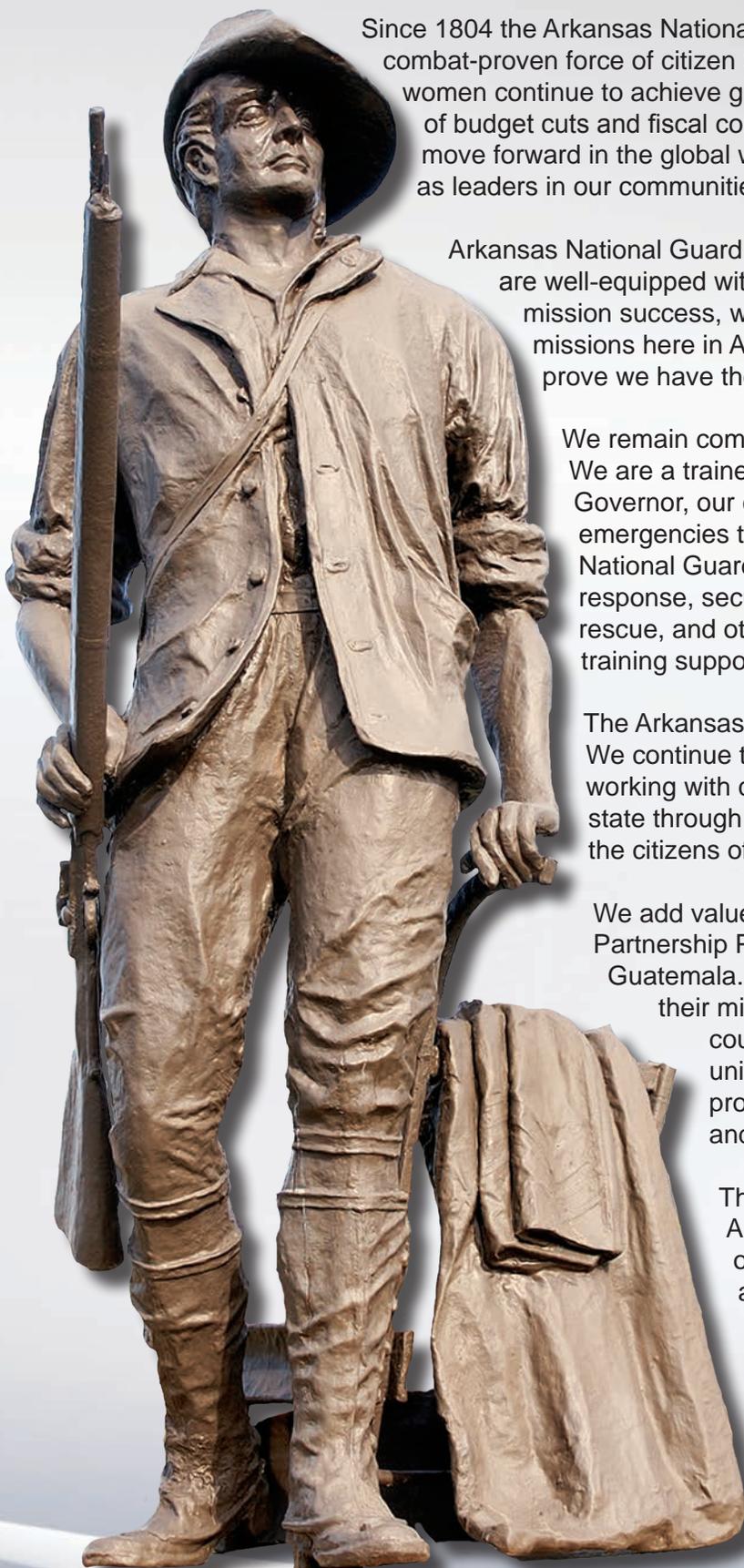
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Photograph on cover is downtown Rogers.

From left, Sgt. Piero Lopez (39th Infantry Brigade)(National Guard Best Warrior 2013), Lt. Col. Shannon Thomas (MEDCOM) (Nurse Practitioner at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences), Maj. Allison Stephens (189th Airlift Wing) (Public Relations Director for Heifer International).



Since 1804 the Arkansas National Guard has proudly served as a community-based, combat-proven force of citizen Soldiers and Airmen. Our nearly 10,000 men and women continue to achieve greatness while accepting the challenges and changes of budget cuts and fiscal constraints. Our partnerships grow stronger as we move forward in the global war on terrorism, protecting our homeland and serving as leaders in our communities as a competent, capable and diverse force.

Arkansas National Guard Soldiers and Airmen are trained professionals. We are well-equipped with warfighting and disaster response skills to ensure mission success, whether on foreign soil or performing civil support missions here in Arkansas. The Arkansas National Guard continues to prove we have the best Soldiers and Airmen in the nation.

We remain committed to respond to our domestic operational needs. We are a trained rapid response force ready to deploy when the Governor, our commander-in-chief, calls upon us during state emergencies to meet the needs of our citizens. The Arkansas National Guard has performed hundreds of missions of disaster response, security assistance, winter storm response, search and rescue, and other missions where our unique capabilities and training support and serve our communities.

The Arkansas National Guard is a community-based organization. We continue to build partnerships throughout Arkansas by working with community leaders to add tremendous value to the state through strengthening the ties between Soldiers, Airmen, and the citizens of Arkansas.

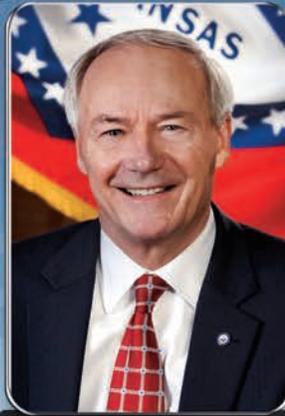
We add value to the global community by participating in a State Partnership Program with the Central American country of Guatemala. This relationship with the people of Guatemala and their military continues to strengthen both of our countries by providing our Soldiers and Airmen with unique and valuable training opportunities, while providing the Guatemalan military with disaster response and humanitarian relief training.

There is no doubt the Soldiers and Airmen of the Arkansas National Guard will continue to add value to our communities and provide military forces adaptable to any situation at home or abroad. We stand ready to meet the needs of our nation and our fellow citizens. After all, we are Arkansans. We are the Arkansas National Guard.

# COMMAND GROUP 2015

## MISSION

To provide trained, ready professionals and units responsive to the needs of the nation, state and community.



The Honorable Asa Hutchinson  
Governor of Arkansas



Maj. Gen. Mark Berry  
The Adjutant General



Brig. Gen. Keith Klemmer  
Deputy Adjutant General

## VISION

“One Team - Dedicated Military and Civilian Professionals Delivering Excellence To Our Communities, State, and Nation.”



Brig. Gen. Patricia Anslow  
Commander  
Army National Guard



Brig. Gen. James Vogel  
Commander  
Air National Guard



Brig. Gen. Kirk VanPelt  
Commander  
Training Support



Col. Tamhra Hutchins-Frye  
Chief of Staff  
Joint Force Headquarters



Col. Gregrey Bacon  
Chief of Staff  
Army National Guard



Col. Mark Sicard  
Director of the Air Staff  
Air National Guard



Chief Warrant Officer  
Donnie Kinder  
State Command Chief Warrant



Ms. Carla Daniels  
Director of  
State Resources

## VALUES

**Accountability:** Honesty, candor, ethics, morals & integrity.

**Commitment:** Loyalty, caring, trust and teamwork.

**Professionalism:** Selfless service, empowerment, stewardship and excellence in all we do.

**Warrior Spirit:** I will always place the mission first.

I will never accept defeat.

I will never quit.

I will never leave a fallen comrade.



Command Sgt. Maj.  
Steven Veazey  
Senior Enlisted Leader



Command Chief Master Sgt.  
Asa Carter  
Command Chief Master Sgt.  
Air National Guard



Command Sgt. Maj.  
Larry Rankin  
Command Sgt. Maj.  
Army National Guard

\* Leaders above and positions throughout report are as of October 1, 2015

# DEMOGRAPHICS



## BREAKDOWN BY GENDER

	Army	Air	Army & Air Combined	State of Arkansas
Male	85.10 %	81.30 %	89.50 %	49.10 %
Female	14.90 %	18.70 %	10.50 %	50.90 %

## BREAKDOWN BY RACE

	Army	Air	Army & Air Combined	State of Arkansas
White	76.80 %	81.5 %	79.60 %	73.70 %
Black	20.80 %	9.1 %	9.40 %	15.60 %
Asian	1.10 %	1.6 %	1.30 %	1.50 %
American Indian	0.90 %	4 %	1.90 %	1.0 %
Hispanic	2.50 %	3.0 %	3.10 %	6.90 %
Other	0.50 %	1.1 %	4.10 %	1.30 %

## YEARS OF SERVICE

	Army	Air
Less than 10 Years	4,756	818
10-19 Years	1,687	595
20-29 Years	833	367
30-39 Years	225	55
40 or More Years	7	1

## DEPLOYED SERVICE

	Army	Air
Never Deployed	4,756	955
Deployed Once	1,735	444
Deployed Twice	831	217
Three or More Times	186	220

## AGE GROUPS

	Army	Air
17-19 Years Old	872	64
20-29 Years Old	3,647	597
30-39 Years Old	1,644	599
40-49 Years Old	1,037	434
50-59 Years Old	301	139
60 Years and Older	7	3

## TOTAL FORCE

	Army	Air	Army & Air
Full Time			
Active Guard and Reserves	756	311	1,069
Federal Military Technicians	518	376	894
Part Time	6,234	1,148	7,382
Total Strength	7,508	1,836	9,344

## EDUCATION LEVEL

	Army	Air	Army & Air
High School Diploma	4,187	187	4,498
Some College	1,308	1,268	2,576
Bachelors Degree	869	230	1,099
Advanced Degree	277	120	397

Note: The average age of our Soldiers in the Arkansas Army National Guard is 29.4 years old and the average age of Airmen in the Arkansas Air National Guard is 35.6 years old.

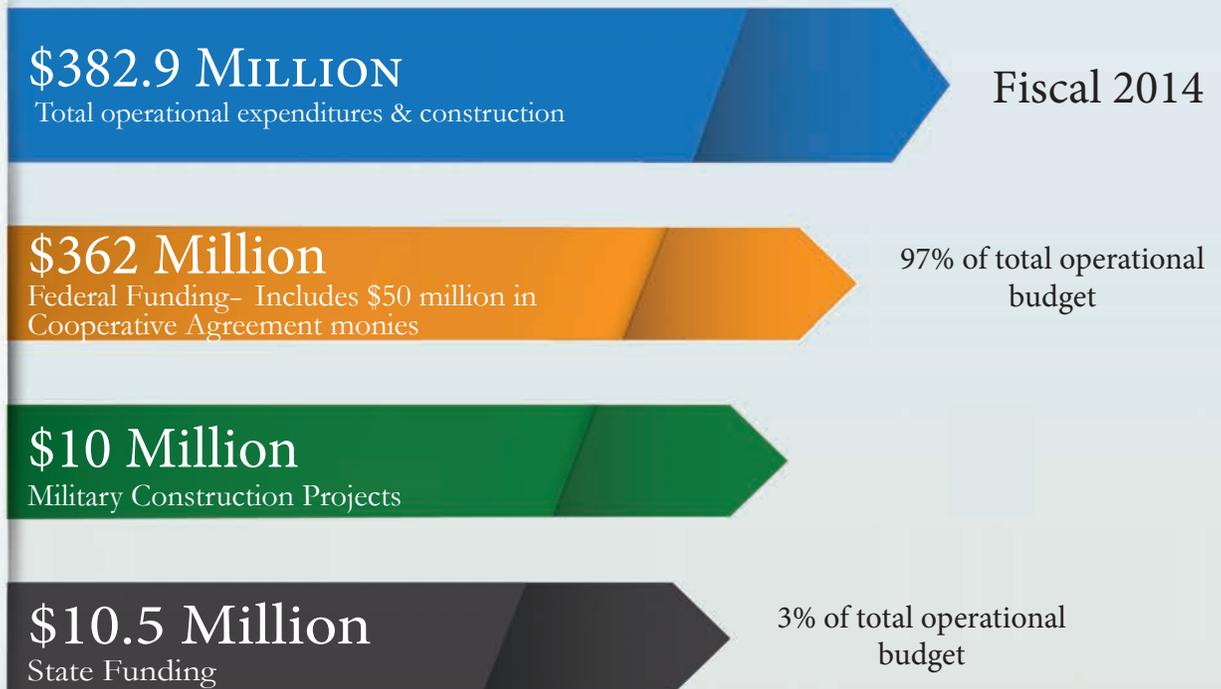
5,459 of our Soldiers currently serving volunteered for service after September 11, 2001, while our nation was at war.

# FINANCIALS



Average expenditures by county, based upon assigned strength of Guard personnel.

County	Total	County	Total	County	Total
Arkansas	\$2,365,276.18	Faulkner	\$2,847,985.60	Ouachita	\$1,786,024.87
Ashley	\$1,086,096.20	Franklin	\$1,810,160.34	Perry	
Baxter	\$1,665,347.51	Garland	\$1,568,805.63	Phillips	\$386,167.54
Benton	\$12,888,341.62	Grant	\$1,834,295.81	Poinsett	\$1,544,670.16
Boone	\$1,713,618.45	Greene	\$2,341,140.71	Polk	\$1,810,160.34
Bradley	\$2,027,379.58	Hempstead	\$1,037,825.26	Pope	\$2,317,005.23
Carroll	\$603,386.78	Hot Spring	\$3,740,998.03	Prairie	\$2,244,598.82
Chicot		Independence	\$2,027,379.58	Pulaski	\$60,024,916.85
Clark	\$1,182,638.09	Jackson		Saint Francis	\$2,027,379.58
Clay	\$748,199.61	Jefferson	\$2,920,392.01	Saline	\$2,582,495.42
Cleburne	\$1,834,295.81	Johnson	\$2,003,244.11	Searcy	\$1,134,367.15
Columbia	\$1,786,024.87	Lawrence	\$1,858,431.28	Sebastian	\$13,057,289.91
Conway	\$917,147.91	Logan	\$4,513,333.11	Sevier	\$1,037,825.26
Craighead	\$6,058,003.27	Lonoke	\$5,092,584.42	Union	\$675,793.19
Crittenden	\$1,786,024.87	Miller	\$1,810,160.34	Washington	\$6,420,035.34
Cross	\$1,182,638.09	Mississippi	\$1,303,315.44	White	\$4,465,062.17
Drew	\$1,858,431.28	Monroe	\$917,147.91	Woodruff	
		Nevada	\$1,882,566.75	Yell	\$1,061,960.73



## MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

2014 Military Project Construction Overview	
<b>Army National Guard</b>	
<b>Chaffee Joint Maneuver Training Center</b>	
- Combined Arms Collective Training Facility	362,666
- Scout Recce Platoon Battle Course	142,100
- Convoy Live Fire Entry Control Point	1,680,867
<b>Robinson Maneuver Training Center</b>	
- Combined Support Maintenance Shop	1,485,783
- Vehicle Wash Facility	1,551,515
Searcy FMS	4,813,229
<b>Military Construction Total</b>	<b>\$10,036,160</b>

## STATE & FEDERAL FUNDING

2014 Arkansas Military Department Financial Overview		
<b>State Expenditures</b>		
State General Revenue	2,819,086	
State Payroll	6,988,312	
State Emergency Call-Up	685,784	
<b>Total State Expenditures</b>		<b>\$10,493,182</b>
<b>Federal Expenditures</b>		
Cooperative Funding Agreement		\$50,122,837
Military Pay (Army)	117,979,915	
Civilian Pay (Army)	44,085,383	
Active Guard & Reserve (Army)	63,808,454	
Operations & Maintenance (Army)	19,154,311	
Active Guard & Reserve (Air)	21,575,768	
Military Pay (Air)	34,740,678	
Civilian Pay (Air)	27,122,258	
Operations & Maintenance (Air)	33,905,219	
<b>Total Federal Expenditures</b>		<b>\$362,371,986</b>
<b>Total Expenditures</b>		<b>\$382,901,328</b>

\* The Cooperative Funding Agreement between the Arkansas Military Department and the National Guard Bureau is in place to support construction, maintenance, repair or operation of facilities, and mission operational support as authorized. This does not include military construction monies, which are separate.

# STATE MISSION



The Army Aviation Support Facility sends a liaison to assist with ground command and control as well as flying 65 hours over eight days during the search for a missing Arkansas Forestry Commission pilot.



54 members of the Arkansas National Guard assist local authorities with traffic control, search and rescue, and medical evacuation after a deadly tornado sweeps through the central Arkansas communities of Mayflower and Vilonia. An additional six Guard members are tasked to deliver several fresh water trailers to support the needs of local residents and the vast number of volunteers.



Counterdrug provides support to Arkansas State Police, DEA, and other local, state, and federal authorities during "Operation Ice Storm" resulting of the seizure of over 6 pounds of methamphetamine.

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Members of the Arkansas National Guard assist Arkansas State Police by providing public safety personnel transportation, health and welfare checks and route assessment along I-55 and I-40 after a winter storm left motorists stranded along the interstate.



Guardsmen participate in regional emergency response exercises involving eight states of the Central United States Earthquake Consortium designed to improve preparation for earthquakes.

## Defense Support to Civil Authorities

The Arkansas National Guard is funded and equipped to support its federal wartime mission and its state mission as well. While at home, the Guard falls under the leadership of our state commander in chief, the Arkansas Governor and our state adjutant general. The state mission, for which the Guard is best known, is providing support to civil authorities in the event of natural disasters and other state emergencies.

### How do I get National Guard support in my community in the event of an emergency?

While the Arkansas National Guard serves as our state's military first responders, that response can only occur with a tasking from the Governor of Arkansas. In the event of an emergency that requires Guard support, the affected community's mayor, county judge or county sheriff must request that support through the governor's office or through the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management, which serves as the coordinating agency.

# FEDERAL MISSION



Airmen from the 189th Airlift Wing Civil Engineering Squadron return from a six month deployment to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, where they provided a variety of engineering support at Bagram Air Base.



The 188th Civil Engineer Squadron of the 188th Fighter Wing, Arkansas Air National Guard deploys to Guatemala for one month in support of Beyond the Horizon, a U.S. partnership with the government of Guatemala, to conduct various medical, dental, and civic action programs.

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Soldiers from Detachment 1, Company B, 499th Aviation Maintenance return from Kuwait after providing maintenance support for Army aviation assets in theater.



112 Soldiers from the 216th Military Police Company deploy to provide security and training in Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.



159 Soldiers from the 1038th Engineer Company deploy to provide horizontal construction support to bases in Kuwait.

## An Operational Force

The Arkansas National Guard's federal mission is to maintain properly trained and equipped units, available for prompt mobilization for war, national emergency or as otherwise needed. While historically the Guard was used as a strategic reserve to our active component, it was called to a starring role as an operational force in recent years. This transition began as early as 1990 with the federal mobilization of more than 3,000 Arkansas troops for the first Gulf War, but the action picked up with multiple mobilizations not long after the attacks of September 11, 2001. Since that time, Arkansas Soldiers and Airmen have mobilized multiple times to fill the ranks of more than 15,000 individual requirements throughout various locations, both at home and abroad. Today, our Soldiers and Airmen continue to serve in Afghanistan, Kuwait and other locations.

# 39th Infantry Brigade Combat Team



## Mission:

On order, close with and destroy enemy forces using fire, maneuver, and shock effect; simultaneously, to be prepared to respond to state emergencies or other national contingencies.

## OUR COMMAND



COMMANDER  
COL. MICHAEL SPRAGGINS



SENIOR ENLISTED LEADER  
COMMAND SGT. MAJ.  
DONALD STANE

- » Achieved an overall medical readiness rating of more than 93 percent; the highest medical rating ever achieved by an Arkansas Army National Guard unit.
- » Reenlisted 344 Soldiers and achieved an all-time low 11.5 percent attrition rate.
- » Provided more than 300 Soldiers to state active duty in fiscal 2014.
- » Achieved an end-strength of more than 94 percent during the third quarter of fiscal 2014.

# HIGHLIGHTS FY14

Fiscal 2014 was an exceptional year for the 39th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (IBCT), "Bowie Team." Operational tempo remained high as the brigade transitioned into the Army's Force Generation (ARFORGEN) Model Training Year One with a focus on squad and staff level proficiency. Most units spent the majority of their training periods in a field environment honing their warrior skills through battle drills and live-fire training.

Throughout the year, the 39th IBCT responded to numerous state active duty missions including: clean water support, winter weather response and a major mobilization following the devastating tornado that tore through Mayflower and Vilonia April 27, 2014. During these emergencies, over 300 Bowie Team Soldiers answered the governor's call and came to the aid of their fellow Arkansans.

Annual training 2014 was the highlight of the training year for the Bowie Team. Working with the 77th Theater Aviation Brigade, the brigade achieved all of its training objectives that included: successful completion of squad maneuver live-fire lanes, artillery live-fire and helicopter sling-load operations, numerous air mobile/air assault missions, platoon situational training exercise lanes, battalion mortar live-fire exercises, sniper training, urban operations training and a highly innovative brigade-level command post exercise.

2014 was also a sentimental year for the 39th IBCT. The brigade celebrated its 10-Year Operation Iraqi Freedom II reunion that attracted more than 700 veterans and Family members to Ricks Armory for a moving program that highlighted the Bowie Team's contribution to Operation Iraqi Freedom from October 2003 to March 2005. In August 2014 the brigade headquarters also said goodbye to Ricks Armory following storm damage, leaving the building uninhabitable for future use. For 41 years, the brigade made its home at this great Little Rock landmark. The brigade now looks to the future as it will occupy its new permanent home on Camp Robinson in the second quarter of fiscal 2015.

On a national note, 39th Brigade Soldier Sgt. Ryan Montgomery, competed and earned the title "Army National Guard Best Warrior," following a grueling five-day competition held at Camp Robinson in July. This is the second straight year a Bowie Team Soldier has won this competition after Sgt. Piero Lopez won in 2013.

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39th Infantry Brigade Combat Team  
Headquarters, Little Rock  
(501) 212-6700

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Special Troops Battalion  
Headquarters, Headquarters Co., Conway  
(501) 329-6976

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Co. A, Clarksville (Engineers)  
Co. B, North Little Rock (Military Intelligence)\*  
Det 1, Co B, North Little Rock (TUAS Platoon)\*  
Co. C, Pine Bluff (Signal)

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Brigade Support Battalion  
HQ, Headquarters Co., Hazen  
(501) 212-7820

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Co. A (-), Stuttgart (Transportation/Distribution)  
Det. 1, Co. A, West Helena (Transportation/Distribution)  
Det. 1, Co. A, Pine Bluff (Transportation/Distribution)  
Co. B, Heber Springs (Maintenance & Transportation)  
Co. C, Lonoke (Medical)

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1st Battalion, 206th Field Artillery  
Headquarters, Headquarters Btry., Russellville  
(479) 968-4088

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Det. 1, Headquarters, Headquarters Btry, Paris  
(Forward Observation)  
Btry. A (-), Dardanelle  
Det. 1, Btry. A, Morrilton  
Btry. B, Rogers  
Attached: Co. G, Brigade Support Bn, Rogers  
(Artillery Forward Support Company)

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1st Battalion, 153rd Infantry  
Headquarters, Headquarters Co., Malvern  
(501) 332-6081

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Headquarters, Headquarters Co. (-), Malvern  
Det. 1, Headquarters, Headquarters Co., Paris  
(Forward Observation)  
Co. A (-), Prescott  
Det. 1, Co. A, Arkadelphia  
Co. B (-), Texarkana  
Det. 1, Co. B, Hope  
Co. C (-), Mena  
Det. 1, Co. C, DeQueen  
Co. D, Sheridan  
Attached: Co. E, Brigade Support Bn., Benton  
(Infantry Forward Support Company)

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2nd Battalion, 153rd Infantry  
Headquarters, Headquarters Co. (-), Searcy  
(501) 268-5552

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Det. 1, Headquarters, Headquarters Co., Wynne  
Det. 2, Headquarters, Headquarters Co., Paris  
(Forward Observation)  
Co. A (-), Walnut Ridge  
Det. 1, Co. A, Rector  
Co. B (-), Batesville  
Det. 1, Co. B, Augusta  
Co. C (-), Forrest City  
Det. 1, Co. C, Brinkley  
Co. D, Newport  
Attached, Co. F, Brigade Support Bn., Cabot  
(Infantry Forward Support Company)

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1st Squadron, 151st Cavalry  
Headquarters, Headquarters Troop, Warren  
(870) 226-3537

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Headquarters, Headquarters Troop (-), Warren  
Det. 1, Headquarters, Headquarters Troop, Paris  
(Forward Observation)  
Troop A (-), El Dorado (Mounted)  
Det. 1, Troop A, Crossett (Mounted)  
Troop B, Magnolia (Mounted)  
Troop C, Camden (Dismounted)  
Attached: Co. D, Brigade Support Bn., Monticello  
(RSTA Forward Support Company)



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# 77th Theater Aviation Brigade



## Mission:

The 77th Theater Aviation Brigade plans, resources, executes and assesses pre-mobilization individual and collective training in accordance with the Army Force Generation Model and Arkansas Army National Guard yearly training guidance in order to achieve pre-mobilization readiness requirements, and fulfill mobilization requirements while providing necessary support to the state of Arkansas.

## OUR COMMAND



COMMANDER  
COL RYAN PACE



SENIOR ENLISTED LEADER  
COMMAND SGT. MAJ.  
THOMAS MIZE

- » 370 flight hours in support of 90 missions tasked.
- » 3,201 flight hours focused on proficiency and new pilot training.
- » 3,571 total flight hours without any Class A & B accidents.

# HIGHLIGHTS FY14

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The 77th Theater Aviation Brigade (TAB) continued to mobilize elements of the 1-114th Security and Support Battalion in support of the United States Customs and Border Protection along the Southwest border at Harlingen and Laredo, Texas. Joint Task Force (JTF) Razorback conducted operations at the United States and Mexico border that began in January 2013.

JTF Razorback conducted thousands of sorties and assisted with more than 20,000 apprehensions or deterrence of undocumented aliens. In addition, the task force assisted law enforcement in seizing more than 18,000 pounds of illegal substances including: marijuana, cocaine, methamphetamines and heroin.

During December 2013, 47 Soldiers from Detachment 1, Company B, 449th Aviation Support Battalion returned home after a nine-month deployment to Kuwait in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. During the deployment, the unit completed five periodic maintenance inspections on UH-60 Black Hawks, two 500-hour inspections on AH-64 Apache helicopters and closed more than 2,500 aviation maintenance work orders. The unit also provided support for air movement into and out of theater for UH-60 helicopters on three separate occasions, supported ship board operations with the AH-64 helicopter battalion, provided needed maintenance support in Afghanistan after a major hail storm and supported multiple training exercises outside of Kuwait in other countries around the region.

The 77th TAB supported the 39th Infantry Brigade Combat Team during annual training 2014, averaging more than 10 flight hours per day, totaling 150 over 13 days. More than 1,100 Soldiers and 50,000 pounds of cargo were flown supporting air assault, air movement and reconnaissance missions. Other assault missions included the insertion and extraction of more than 400 combat-ready light infantry Soldiers, and a fast-rope rappelling certification event that was a first with the use of UH-60 Black Hawks within the brigade.

The 77th conducted a training event with local law enforcement and other state agencies on Pinnacle Mountain, where the 77th practiced mountain environment hoist rescues and confined area recovery.

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77th Theater Aviation Brigade  
Headquarters, Headquarters Co.  
501-212-4980

1st Bn., 114th Aviation  
Headquarters, Headquarters Co.  
501-212-5134

Co. A (-), 1st Bn., 114th Aviation (Security & Support)  
Det. 3, Headquarters, Headquarters Co., 1st Bn., 185th Aviation  
Co. B, 1st Bn., 185th Aviation  
Co. D (-) 1st Bn., 114th Aviation (Air Ambulance)  
Co. C, 1st Bn., 185th Aviation  
Det. 1, Co. D, 1st Bn., 185th Aviation  
Det. 1, Co. E, 1st Bn., 185th Aviation

777th Aviation Support Battalion  
Headquarters Support Co.  
501-212-5394

Co. F, 2nd Bn., 211th Aviation Regiment (Air Traffic Control)  
Det. 1, Co. B, 449th Aviation Support Bn. (Aviation Intermediate Maintenance)  
Det. 1, Co. F, 2nd Bn., 238th Air Ambulance  
Det. 6, Co. D, 2nd Bn., 238th Air Ambulance  
Det. 6, Co. E, 2nd Bn., 238th Air Ambulance



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# 87th Troop Command



## Mission:

The 87th Troop Command's mission is to provide command and control to the 871st Troop Command, 875th Engineer Battalion and the 61st Civil Support Team in order to provide trained and equipped units capable of accomplishing both federal and state missions.

## OUR COMMAND



COMMANDER  
COL. JAMES TREECE



SENIOR ENLISTED LEADER  
COMMAND SGT. MAJ.  
BILLY WARD

- » 871st assisted in six state active duty missions and the 875th assisted in eight state active duty missions.
- » 61st CST conducted one real-world and 16 assist missions with state response organizations.
- » 106th Army Band conducted 45 performances.

# HIGHLIGHTS FY14

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The 87th Troop Command, headquartered at Camp Robinson, has units across Central and Northeast Arkansas. Those units include the 61st Civil Support Team (CST), the 871st Troop Command and the 875th Engineer Battalion.

During fiscal 2014, the 119th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment and the 224th Maintenance Company supported six state active duty missions responding to emergencies in support of local law enforcement throughout Arkansas. The 875th Engineer Battalion assisted with eight state active duty missions for winter response in Northeast Arkansas. The 213th Area Support Medical Company assisted local public safety officials with patient rescue during the Vilonia and Mayflower tornado disaster.

Soldiers from the 216th Military Police Company deployed to Afghanistan in support of a detainee operation near Kabul, while the 1038th Engineer Company deployed to Kuwait to perform a horizontal construction mission. The 119th Mobile Affairs Detachment participated in an overseas deployment to Guatemala to support “Beyond the Horizon 2014.”

In fiscal 2014, the 61st CST trained with and/or provided training to more than 200 local first responders and other agencies across the state, to include 16 assist missions and one real-world response in northwest Arkansas. The CST also logged more than 6,000 hours of support throughout the country to include: the Boston Marathon, Major League Baseball All-Star Game and 14 other states and Guam requiring our assistance. At the international level, unit members provided assistance to Guatemalan hazmat teams, instructing them in proper techniques and processes.

The 106th Army Band performed eleven musical missions in support of the Army and Air National Guard, as well as 34 community events. These events include change of command ceremonies, Veterans Day parades, officer and enlisted conventions and the Soldier and Airman of the year luncheon.

The 213th treated 172 sick call patients, performed 58 diagnostic services and prescribed 121 medications, while the 296th Medical Company administered 227 flu vaccinations to three companies, increasing medical readiness of the Arkansas National Guard.

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87th Troop Command Headquarters  
Headquarters, Headquarters Co.  
Little Rock  
501-212-5078

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1964th Contingency Contracting Team  
Camp Robinson  
501-212-5058

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326th Trial Defense Team  
Camp Robinson  
501-212-5058

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61st Civil Support Team (CST), ADCON  
501-212-4262

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871st Troop Command  
Headquarters, Headquarters Co.,  
North Little Rock  
501-212-6800

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106th Army Band – Camp Robinson  
119th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment – North Little Rock  
213th Area Support Medical Company – North Little Rock  
216th Military Police Company – North Little Rock  
1123rd (-) Trans Company – West Memphis  
Det 1, 1123rd Trans Company – Blytheville  
224th(-) Maintenance Company – Mt. Home  
Det 1, 224th Maintenance Company – Marshall  
296th Medical Company – Hot Springs

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875th Engineer Battalion  
Headquarters, Headquarters Co., Jonesboro  
501-212-7010

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HSC, 875th EN BN – Jonesboro  
FSC, 875th EN BN – Jonesboro  
1036th Sapper Company – Jonesboro  
1037th Mobility Augmentation Company Paragould  
1038th Horizontal Construction Company –  
North Little Rock  
1039th Sapper Company – Harrisburg



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# 142nd Field Artillery Brigade



## Mission:

The 142nd Field Artillery Brigade plans and prepares to execute combined arms operations to provide close support and precision strike for corps, divisions, and brigade combat teams and support brigades, employing joint and organic fires capabilities to achieve distribution effects in support of operational and tactical objectives; simultaneously the organization is prepared to conduct missions in support of state and national emergencies.

## OUR COMMAND



COMMANDER  
COL. GREG BACON



SENIOR ENLISTED LEADER  
COMMAND SGT. MAJ.  
TONY RICE

- » 1,338 rounds of 155mm artillery safely fired with the M109A6 Paladin.
- » 62 M28A1 training rockets safely fired with the M270A1 Multiple Launch Rocket System.
- » Participated in the first river crossing exercise for the brigade since the 1980's.

# HIGHLIGHTS FY14

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The 142nd Field Artillery Brigade experienced a great training year beginning with all Soldiers going through individual weapons training and the Army Physical Fitness Test. The brigade moved forward in the prescribed training with the firing battalions of the 142nd kicking off the standard field artillery training program. The firing batteries worked toward achieving platoon-level certification and battery-level certification for all assigned Paladin and Multiple Launch Rocket System sections. Additionally, ammunition and fire direction centers worked to achieve required certifications.

During fiscal 2014, Soldiers and vehicles were deployed on state active duty during the months of December, February and March for Operation Winter Response, providing support to the Arkansas State Police and the people of Arkansas.

The brigade maintained its focus on training with the 1-142nd firing 62 M28A1 Reduced-Range Practice Rockets, working with the 871st Engineers on pod demolition, and practicing sling load operations with the 77th Theater Aviation Brigade. The 2-142nd fired 1,338 rounds of 155mm artillery ammunition including high explosive, illumination, infrared illumination, smoke and rocket-assisted projectiles. The brigade also participated in a river crossing exercise with the 341st Engineers from the U.S. Army Reserves. This exercise marked the first time since the 1980's the battalion conducted training on the Arkansas River. In addition, Bravo Company of the 217th Brigade Support Battalion won the regional competition for the Army Award for Maintenance Excellence (Small Category).

The brigade prepared a community relations event for annual training 2014 which showcased static displays representing the organization. Civic, business and community leaders from Northwest Arkansas, Fort Smith and Little Rock. These leaders spent time with the citizen Soldiers of the 142nd and witnessed firsthand their contributions to the state of Arkansas.

The highlight of fiscal 2014 was the 142nd's participation in the 42nd Infantry Division's Warfighter Exercise. The brigade and selected battalion staff traveled to Fort Drum, New York and to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas throughout the year providing fires support planning to the various maneuver elements engaged in the exercise. The 142nd proved instrumental during this exercise in developing new tactics, techniques and procedures in the utilization of unmanned aerial systems support to eliminate threats and provide battle damage assessment. The 142nd Field Artillery Brigade is technically and tactically ready to support the various missions when called upon.

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142nd Network Support Signal Co., Fayetteville  
Btry. F, Target Acquisition, Fayetteville

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217th Brigade Support Battalion  
Headquarters, Headquarters Co.,  
Booneville  
479-675-3519

Co. A, Lincoln  
Co. B, Rogers

1st Battalion, (M270A1 MLRS)  
Headquarters, Headquarters Btry. (-), Harrison  
870-741-8636

Btry. A, Bentonville  
Btry. B, Bentonville  
936th Forward Spt. Co., Bentonville

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2nd Battalion, (M109A6 Paladin Howitzer)  
Headquarters, Headquarters Btry., Fort Smith  
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Btry. A, Barling  
Btry. B, Siloam Springs  
Btry. C, Ozark  
937th Forward Spt. Co., Barling



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# 188th Wing



## OUR COMMAND



COMMANDER  
COL. BOBBI DOORENBOS



SENIOR ENLISTED LEADER  
CHIEF MASTER SGT.  
STEPHEN BRADLEY

- » Completed 547 job actions in a four-month span as part of the mission conversion.
- » Deployed 53 personnel to six different countries.
- » Trained 200 firefighters in urban search and rescue from 27 states.

# HIGHLIGHTS FY14

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The 188th Wing launched a new era during its Conversion Day event held at Ebbing Air National Guard Base June 7, 2014. The event marked the end of a manned flying mission and the beginning of a mission to provide the Air Force with intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance; remotely piloted aircraft and space-based targeting capabilities - all at one location.

In one of the largest and most complex mission conversions in unit history, the 188th Force Support Squadron completed 547 total job actions in fiscal 2014, which equates to six years of full-time job actions in the span of a four-month timeframe.

Meanwhile, the 188th Wing deployed 53 personnel to six different countries in support of Operations Enduring Freedom, New Dawn and a humanitarian deployment known as "Beyond the Horizon" in Guatemala.

The 188th Civil Engineer Squadron (CES) deployed 37 Airmen to Guatemala for one month in support of "Beyond the Horizon" - a U.S. partnership with the government of Guatemala conducting various medical, dental and civic action programs. The CES built a two-room school supporting approximately 100 students in the remote village of El Robles, Guatemala during their rotation.

The 188th Security Forces Squadron deployed 13 Airmen to Southwest Asia from May-thru November 2013 in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, as part of an Air Expeditionary Force rotation. The Airmen were attached to the 379th Air Expeditionary Wing, supporting installation and aircraft security.

The CES trained 200 firefighters in urban search and rescue from 27 states representing 10 FEMA regions. As a result the 188th issued 800 certifications in rope rescue, structural collapse, trench rescue, confined space and swift water rescue. CES also programmed a new \$13.2 million, 40,000 square foot facility to house a three-mission complex, and a \$52.1 million new mission administrative facility for the training center.

The 188th commemorated six decades of service with a 60th anniversary celebration November 2, 2013, which was attended by more than 1,000 current and former unit members, civic leaders and members of Arkansas' Congressional delegation. The unit presented "60 Years of Excellence", a documentary film showcasing the unit's history.

The 188th/Fort Chaffee Community Council was recognized with the National Guard Association of the United States Patrick Henry Award, a prestigious national-level award that recognizes outstanding community support for the military.

The 188th's Senior Master Sgt. Scott Barr and his wife Cindy were named the National Military Family Association 2014 Family of the Year for the Air National Guard. The Barr family exemplified the standard for volunteerism, and were recognized with the award at the National Military Family Association volunteer conference in Norman, Oklahoma. Gen. Frank Grass, chief of the National Guard Bureau, and Maj. Gen. William Wofford, adjutant general of the Arkansas National Guard, presented the award.

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188th Wing Headquarters  
479-573-5221

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#### 188th Wing Subordinate flights

Comptroller Flight  
Detachment 1, Razorback Range

#### Subordinate sections:

Judge Advocate General Office  
Public Affairs Office  
Safety Office  
Command Post  
Inspector General  
Chaplains Office  
Equal Opportunity Office

#### 188th Maintenance Group

Maintenance Operations Flight  
Maintenance Squadron  
Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

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#### 188th Operations Group

184th Fighter Squadron  
188th Operations Support Squadron

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#### 188th Medical Group

#### 188th Mission Support Group

Civil Engineer Squadron  
Security Forces Squadron  
Force Support Squadron  
Logistics Readiness Squadron  
Communications Flight



# 189th Airlift Wing



## Mission:

The 189th Airlift Wing is an Air Education and Training Command gained Formal Training Unit charged with effectively training and qualifying C-130 aircrew members, in all crew positions to perform combat airlift operations. The wing also maintains a global readiness posture with more than 400 personnel identified for possible worldwide deployment for expeditionary combat support missions. The wing is part of the state and local community, and stands ready to support the citizens of Arkansas in times of natural disasters or emergencies.

## OUR COMMAND



COMMANDER  
COL. ROBERT ATOR II



SENIOR ENLISTED LEADER  
CHIEF MASTER SGT.  
SOWELL

- » 7,262 flying hours on 3,125 sorties, reflecting a 78 percent mission capable rate and a departure reliability rate of 95 percent.
- » Assigned 18 C-130H aircraft; more than 920 Airmen – 55 percent are drill status.
- » Training more than 720 students from all around the world; moving more than 2,760 tons of cargo with precision.

# HIGHLIGHTS FY14

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The 189th Airlift Wing is an integral part of Team Little Rock at Little Rock Air Force Base in Jacksonville, Arkansas, yet the wing's dual mission gives it a unique character and strong ties to the community. More than 920 men and women – the majority of which live and work outside of the base – make up this extraordinary Arkansas National Guard organization.

Responsible for the critical Formal Training Unit (FTU) mission, the 189th trained more than 720 pilots, navigators, loadmasters and flight engineers from across the globe - the highest number of students produced in a single year since the 189th became an FTU. This was accomplished by teaming instructor aircrew members from the active duty and Reserve with the 154th Training Squadron – the first of its kind for C-130 training. The Enlisted Academic Aircrew School graduated 92 students in 2014, providing initial academic training for international and U.S. Marine Corps flight engineers and loadmasters.

The wing boasts three 50-person Rapid Augmentation Teams (RATs) as part of the Guard's state active duty mission set. Each RAT is responsible for a three month on-call rotation, providing coverage 365 days of the year. Equipped with a state-of-the art mobile emergency operation center, the team members bring diverse backgrounds from military and civilian life including: security, emergency management, vehicle maintenance, power production, heavy equipment operation, communications, public affairs and medical expertise.

Fiscal 2014 was fast-moving and exciting for the 189th, yet one of the saddest years the wing has known. On the evening of April 27, an EF-4 tornado devastated the town of Vilonia killing nine people, including two cherished members of the 189th Family. Jeffrey Hunter, the son of a member, and Master Sgt. Daniel Wassom who died saving the life of one of his young daughters. The memory of Wassom's service, friendship and heroism was celebrated in June with a special day dedicated to the Wassom and Hunter Families.

The 189th Medical Group evaluated, monitored and maintained the health status of the wing's members, sustaining an individual medical readiness rate consistently in the top 15 percent of the Air National Guard.

The 189th Mission Support Group's hard work and mission readiness posture helped the wing earn the coveted Mission Support Trophy from the National Guard Association of the United States. Col. Robert Ator II, 189th commander, and Col. Tamhara Hutchens-Frye, Mission Support Group commander, accepted the award during the association's annual conference. The wing also earned the Distinguished Flying Unit plaque.

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189th Airlift Wing Headquarters  
501-987-6011

189th Comptroller Flight

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189th Mission Support Group

189th Force Support Squadron  
189th Communications Flight  
189th Security Forces Squadron  
189th Civil Engineer Squadron  
189th Logistics Readiness Squadron

189th Operations Group

189th Operations Support Flight  
154th Training Squadron

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189th Maintenance Group

189th Maintenance Squadron  
189th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron  
189th Maintenance Operations Flight

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189th Medical Group

123rd Intelligence Squadron

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154th Weather Flight



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# SEPARATE UNITS

## ARMY AVIATION SUPPORT FACILITY



The Army Aviation Support Facility (AASF) provides centralized control, proper utilization and maintenance support to enhance the combat readiness of assigned Arkansas Army National Guard aviation assets, along with providing command and control for state and federal missions. The AASF supports the 77th Theater Aviation Brigade, Operational Support Airlift Command Aircraft and the Reconnaissance and Interdiction Detachment. In addition, the AASF is responsible for the training and standardization of aviation aircrew members and direct support maintenance for all aircraft assigned to the Arkansas National Guard.

- 370 hours flown on missions supporting the Army National Guard, United States Air Force, and U.S. Navy SEALs.
- Flew more than 90 missions in support of state agencies and other Army National Guard units throughout the state.
- Five Arkansas Military Cross Medals were presented for heroism to crew members of a medevac UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter which performed a recovery and rescue mission for victims of a flood in Scott County in May of 2013.

## MEDICAL COMMAND



The Medical Command (MEDCOM) is responsible for planning, programming and providing health and dental services to sustain the medical readiness of the Arkansas Army National Guard. Included in the MEDCOM is the Troop Medical Clinic which provides acute care on a daily basis to Soldiers assigned or on temporary duty at Camp Robinson. MEDCOM consists of medical professionals who support every mobilization and demobilization readiness event.

Fiscal 2014 was an historic year for MEDCOM achieving the highest medically ready force in recent history. MEDCOM integrated dental treatment in conjunction with yearly physicals; a total of 10 dental events were conducted in fiscal 2014 improving the state's dental readiness rating from 50th to 26th in the nation.

- 4,885 periodic health assessments conducted through both internal and contracted means.
- Achieved the highest percentage of medically fit Soldiers in the Army National Guard at 97.8 percent.
- Achieved a 100 percent non-REFRAD (return from active duty) rate at mobilization sites for medical issues.

## RECRUITING & RETENTION



The mission of the Recruiting and Retention Battalion is to achieve the assigned fiscal year mission by assisting units with strength maintenance programs, aggressive school recruiting initiatives, educating centers of influence, maintaining an active presence within the community and generating a positive climate in order to support an expeditionary Army National Guard during war and peacetime.

During fiscal year 2014, the Recruiting and Retention Battalion enlisted 965 Soldiers to include Reserve Component Career Counselor accessions. Recruiting and Retention also commissioned 60 officers and accessed eight warrant officers. The top two recruiters for the battalion were Staff Sgt. Christina Jones with 29 enlistments and Staff Sgt. Jeffery Dillon with 26 enlistments.

- 965 enlistments into the Arkansas Army National Guard.
- 60 officer and eight warrant officers commissioned.

The 61st CST's 22 highly trained Army and Air Force professionals stand ready to respond to complex incidents in order to augment the Incident Commanders/first responders and provide technical expertise and specialized support to civil authorities.

Throughout 2013 the CST professionals trained in mitigating various incidents with local first responders and agencies across the state as the team continues building the bridge between the military and civil authorities. The training events took the CST to Fayetteville, Eureka Springs, Bentonville, Texarkana, Benton, Jonesboro, and various locations throughout Pulaski County. The team also traveled outside the state to Houston, Texarkana, Dallas, New Orleans, and Oklahoma for opportunities to train with other CST's.

- 2 real-world missions assisting in Bentonville and Texarkana with actual Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear related issues.
- The unit participated in two national level exercises: Vigilant Guard and Joint Eagle, which provided the team an opportunity to train with numerous first responders – local, state, federal, and military.
- Conducted 13 support missions, logging over 6,000 man hours in support of missions and training, assisting the Arkansas Health Department, Arkansas Department of Emergency Management, the Arkansas State Police, county sheriffs, U.S. Coast Guard, Louisiana law enforcement, and Camp Robinson Public Safety.



61ST CIVIL SUPPORT TEAM

The 123rd Intelligence Squadron is a component of the Air Force Distributed Common Ground System and provides intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (ISR) products in support of military operations worldwide. This mission involves the exploitation of imagery and multi-source intelligence from remotely piloted aircraft and other collection platforms.

As part of the re-missioning of the 188th Wing, the 123rd Intelligence Squadron was realigned to be part of the 188th Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Group at Fort Smith.

The 123rd Intelligence Squadron was heavily tasked in overseas missions during fiscal 2014:

- Provided 1,633 hours of full-motion video exploitation on 173 combat ISR missions.
- Conducted first phase imagery exploitation on 192 targets producing 151 secondary imagery products.
- Supported 10 direct munitions engagements for 10 troops in combat situations locating one improvised explosive device, saving coalition lives.



123RD INTELLIGENCE SQUADRON

The mission of the 154th Weather Flight is to deploy to specific locations and provide 24-hour tactical meteorological and climatological services in support of two U.S. Army infantry brigade combat teams and one aviation brigade.

The members of the 154th maintain a worldwide mobilization capability to support combat and domestic operations with weather forecasting and analytic consulting on the impacts weather can have on operations and population centers. The 154th is one of 19 Air National Guard units in the nation that is classified as both a Battlefield Weather Team and a weapons system.

The 154th supported:

- The 77th Theatre Aviation Brigade's annual training at Ft. Chaffee
- Operation Enduring Freedom missions with Air Force Special Operations Command, deploying a member of the 154th to provide tactical weather forecasting in Afghanistan.
- Four unit members were placed on temporary assignment to National Guard Bureau to assist in the development of projects critical to the entire weather career field.



154TH WEATHER FLIGHT

# TRAINING CENTERS

## CHAFFEE JOINT MANEUVER TRAINING CENTER



The Fort Chaffee Joint Maneuver Training Center (FCJMTC) is a premier training site utilized by all Department of Defense components and a variety of local, state, and federal government agencies. Early in fiscal 2014 Fort Chaffee held an open house event for the Combined Arms Collective Training Facility, our newest urban training site, with a tour of the facilities, capabilities, and a live multi-component training demonstration. Currently, the post is in the final stages of construction on a new Convoy Live Fire Range, which provides units the capability to conduct platoon-level, convoy live-fire training.

The installation's last major military construction project is the Infantry Platoon Battle Course with Scout Reconnaissance overlay. This \$20 million contract has been awarded with construction running through fiscal 2015. Within the cantonment area, multiple infrastructure improvement projects totaling more than \$6 million were initiated, including barracks, motor pool and dining facility renovations.

- \$46.5 million in military construction projects from 2011 through 2014.
- 233,000 man-days of training conducted at FCJMTC during fiscal 2014.

## ROBINSON MANEUVER TRAINING CENTER



Robinson Maneuver Training Center (RMTC) is a training site consisting of over 32,000 acres in central Arkansas. It is home to three premier training institutions attracting thousands of students from across the nation. The training institutions include: the 233rd Regiment, Regional Training Institute, the National Guard Marksmanship Training Center and the National Guard Professional Education Center. The training center is also home for the Office of the Adjutant General, the 39th Infantry Brigade Combat Team headquarters, the 77th Theater Aviation Brigade and the 87th Troop Command headquarters.

During fiscal 2014 the installation hosted the National Guard Best Warrior Competition, Winston P. Wilson marksmanship competition, Armed Force Skill-at-Arms Meeting, Army Reserve Small-Arms Championship.

- Supported the training of 73,798 personnel from across the nation. 1,700 full-time National Guard, state
- Housed 38,270 service members, an increase of 7,794 from fiscal 2013.
- Employs 1,700 full-time National Guard, state workers, contractors and other support personnel.

## 233RD REGIMENT, REGIONAL TRAINING INSTITUTE



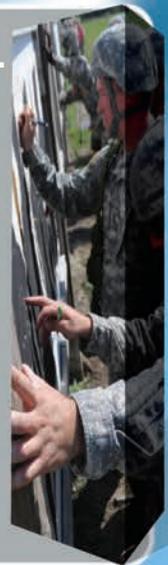
The 233rd Regional Training Institute (RTI) consists of a headquarters company and three battalions. The RTI trains courses in infantry, artillery, signal and the officer candidate school. In addition, the RTI has oversight of Texas' 136th RTI infantry training company, and Utah's 640th RTI signal training company.

- Conducting more than 75 events and 32 distant learning events while hosting more than 9,300 Soldiers, civilians and state agencies for various training events.
- Hosted state-level non-commissioned officer and enlisted Soldier of the Year, and National Best Warrior competitions.
- Graduated 710 National Guard, Army Reserve and active army Soldiers from 50 states, three territories and the District of Columbia, along with conducting five unscheduled courses.
- Increased accreditation score from 95 percent in 2011 to 100 percent in 2014.

## NATIONAL GUARD MARKSMANSHIP TRAINING CENTER

The National Guard Marksmanship Training Center (NGMTC) administers National Guard Bureau marksmanship training and competitive programs at all levels, stressing the development of combat skills to improve proficiency above basic marksmanship requirements and increase battlefield survivability. NGMTC schools focus on advanced skills that aid Soldiers in more effective operational capabilities while increasing the level of training they can provide to their unit. NGMTC's competitions drive Soldiers and Airmen to excel while further developing marksmanship skills.

- 493 Soldiers trained at NGMTC schools (Sniper, Squad Designated Marksman and Small Arms Master Gunner courses.)
- Hosted four marksmanship competitions bringing approximately 800 Soldiers and Airmen from across the country to Camp Robinson and Ft. Chaffee. NGMTC also supported 23 competitions across the country.
- \$2.1 million economic impact for Central Arkansas through schools and competitive events programs.



## PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION CENTER

The Lavern E. Weber Professional Education Center (PEC) campus is home to eight training centers: Human Resources and Readiness, Installation, Logistics and Environmental, Information Technology, Organizational Readiness, Resource Management, Strength Management, Education Support and the Strength Readiness Support Center.

The U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command includes PEC as an accredited Learning Institute of Excellence.

The PEC team is comprised of 476 Soldiers, Department of the Army civilians, contractors and state of Arkansas employees.

- 21,104 students from around the country reached through PEC instruction including on-campus, mobile and web-based training.
- 4,857 guests attended national conferences and meetings at the PEC campus.
- Total financial impact to local economy was \$29 million.



# PROGRAMS

## COUNTERDRUG

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The Arkansas National Guard Counterdrug program supports civil authorities in the fight against illegal drugs in our communities.

Intelligence analysts for the Arkansas Counterdrug program provide vast amounts of support to state, federal and local law enforcement agencies. These agencies attribute many successful missions to the professionalism and hard work of our highly trained analysts.



Intelligence analysts for the Arkansas Counterdrug Program provide vast amounts of support and hours of assistance to state, federal and local law enforcement agencies. And these agencies attribute many successful missions to the professionalism and hard work of our highly trained analysts.

- ▶ The Counterdrug program safely executed missions throughout the state supporting law enforcement investigations resulting in the seizure of illegal drugs, cash and other assets combined for an estimated value of \$2.1 million. This support significantly contributed to the arrest and prosecution of 274 individuals involved in drug trafficking throughout the state of Arkansas.
- ▶ Counterdrug aviation executed more than 300 flight hours in supporting law enforcement operations across the state.
- ▶ Counterdrug personnel assisted the Drug Enforcement Administration and law enforcement across the state in conducting domestic cannabis eradication and suppression; resulting in the detection and eradication of over 81,000 marijuana plants
- ▶ The Counterdrug program provided transportation assistance to two statewide prescription drug take back initiatives involving 137 collection locations. These two initiatives resulted in 41,600 pounds of prescription medication turned in for destruction.

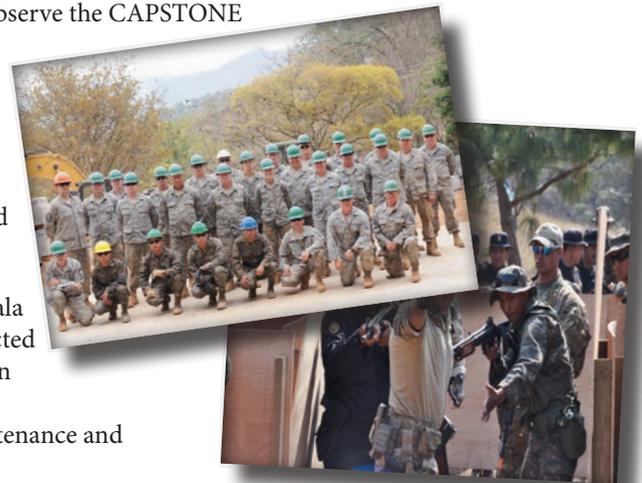
## STATE PARTNERSHIP

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The Arkansas National Guard's State Partnership Program with the nation of Guatemala was initiated in 2002, and is one of 64 state partnerships throughout the National Guard.

The mission of the program is to enhance the country's ability to establish enduring civil-military relationships that improve long-term international security, while building partnership capacity across all levels of society for both partner nations.

- ▶ The 188th Civil Engineers traveled to Guatemala to participate in "Beyond the Horizon" building a schoolhouse near Zacapa.
- ▶ 61st Civil Support Team members went to Guatemala to conduct an exchange with first responders on how to deal with hazardous chemicals.
- ▶ Seven Guatemalan disaster response experts traveled to Arkansas to observe the CAPSTONE Disaster Response exercise conducted in April 2014.
- ▶ Six Guatemalan military medical personnel traveled to Arkansas to observe Arkansas Army National Guard Medical Command members conducting annual training, as well as visiting the 189th Airlift Wing to discuss best practices and techniques of healthcare management and patient care in a field environment.
- ▶ Eleven Arkansas Army National Guard personnel traveled to Guatemala in August 2014 to conduct separate exchanges. Four personnel conducted a communications exchange covering radio and digital communication procedures, while seven personnel traveled to Coatepeque to conduct a wheeled vehicle operator's exchange, covering driving, maintenance and operations of both 2 and 4-wheel-drive on and off-road operations.



# CIVILIAN STUDENT TRAINING PROGRAM

The Civilian Student Training Program (CSTP), based at Camp Robinson, is for adjudicated young men 13 to 17 years old. CSTP is a behavioral management program working with Arkansas Juvenile Courts, and is an effective and cost efficient alternative to the juvenile detention system. CSTP conducts five nine-week cycles each year, with the goals of deterring students away from crime, becoming productive citizens, improving academic and life skills, improving physical fitness and performing community service. The course consists of a nine-week resident phase, followed by a 12-month post-resident phase. Each class has a maximum capacity of 72 students, or 360 annually. Facts support the effectiveness of CSTP; the average recidivism rate of children sent to juvenile detention is 50 percent, while the average for those sent to CSTP is 10 to 15 percent. 320 students enrolled, 90.6 percent graduated--36 students earned their GED.

CSTP is 100 percent state funded. Academic teachers are certified by the State of Arkansas and maintain their certification by completing 60 hours a year of professional development. Training instructors must have a minimum of 48 hours of training that covers non-violent crisis intervention, van driver training, drill and ceremonies, physical fitness, barracks maintenance, policies and procedures.

- 91 percent graduation rate during fiscal 2014.
- Each student performs 35 hours of community service.

Phone Numbers: 501-212-5363      After Hours: 501-212-5213



## YOUTH CHALLENGE

The Youth Challenge Program (YCP) is voluntary program housed at Camp Robinson, and is open to young men and women 16-18 years old from across the state. The mission is to reach out to non-adjudicated at-risk youth and provide them with the structure and educational development they need to get ahead in life.

The program has operated since 1993; 3,135 cadets have graduated with 2,025 earning their GED. The YCP consists of a 22-week resident, followed by a 12-month post-resident program. The program is a cost efficient and effective alternative to what the outcome may be by not reaching out to these young people.

Youth Challenge has a 75 percent graduation rate; 97 percent of graduates are now employed, continuing their education or are in the military. An added value of this program is the benefit to school districts across the state. While the cadets attend the program, the school continues to receive funds associated with the child as a student in their school.

Teacher's must possess a bachelor's degree, be certified by the State of Arkansas and maintain their certification by completing 60 hours a year of professional development. Teachers must also attend the National Youth Challenge Basic Course, Crisis Prevention and Intervention and CPR courses.

- 75 percent federally funded, 25 percent state.
- Maximum capacity, 100 cadets per 22-week cycle, or 200 per year.
- 3,135 graduated since 1993, 2,025 earned their GED.      Phone Numbers: 501-212-5344

<https://www.ngycp.org/site/state/ar/contact>

## COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The Arkansas National Guard supports the communities of Arkansas when invited to participate in various patriotic community events. This support assists the public in understanding the missions and goals of the Arkansas National Guard.



Support is provided in a number of different ways; such as color guards, flyovers and static exhibits of helicopters, military vehicles and equipment. The 106th Army Band supports official ceremonies and parades, while unit and wing personnel lend voluntary support for events. The Arkansas National Guard also provides speakers as part of community support.

Support for community events is just one way the Arkansas National Guard expresses gratitude to the communities of Arkansas for their support of our Soldiers and Airmen.

If interested, instructions and forms can be found at <http://www.arguard.org/under> "Community Support."

# JOINT SERVICE SUPPORT

The mission of the Joint Service Support Branch is to support the well-being of Arkansas National Guard members, veterans, and Families through support programs, community outreach, assistance and information in order to promote readiness, resilience and self-reliance. JSS includes Arkansas Army National Guard Family Programs, Arkansas Air National Guard Family Programs and All- Service Programs, as well as a host of associated support programs.

## Arkansas Army National Guard Family Programs:

Arkansas Army National Guard Programs help Soldiers and their Families in many areas through the Family Readiness Support Assistant (FRSA) and State Youth Coordinators. The FRSA provides assistance to the state Family program director, Family readiness group leadership, commanders, readiness non-commissioned officers and unit leadership. This assistance illustrates needs and shapes programs. State Youth Coordinators support military youth through a variety of programs, such as Minuteman Youth Camp, Operation Military Child Care (child care subsidy), Military Youth Council, Annual National & State Youth Symposiums and Operation Military Kids. The Resiliency and Suicide Prevention Program has trained almost 200 service members and civilian in suicide prevention.

### Phone numbers:

FRSA: 501-212-4019

Child/Youth: 501-212-4077

## Arkansas Air National Guard Family Programs:

The Arkansas Air National Guard Family Programs assist Airmen and their Families with the help of the Airmen and Family Readiness Program Manager. The AFRPM provides information and referral; deployment cycle support; personal, Family, unit, & community readiness; life skills education, consultation & transition guidance; community outreach & cooperative interface; volunteer communication, direction, and guidance.

### Phone Numbers:

188th Wing: 479-573-5167

189th Airlift Wing: 501-959-5952

## All-Service Programs:

All-Service Programs include Family Assistance Centers and the Survivor Outreach Service. FACs serve as a resource clearinghouse to support military members and Families, located around the state. The Survivor Outreach Service provides enhanced services to the Families of fallen service members, utilizing a comprehensive, multi-agency approach.

### Phone Numbers:

FAC: 501-212-4034



#### ASSOCIATED SUPPORT PROGRAMS:

Under the umbrella of associated support programs, military members and their Families find an array of services provided through programs and agencies affiliated with JSS. These programs are specifically tailored to fit the unique needs of Service and Family members.

#### Transition Program:

Provides assistance during changes in military service, whether post-deployment or pre-separation. The Transition Assistance Advisor provides a point of contact to assist service members and Families in accessing Veterans Affairs benefits and healthcare services.

#### Phone Numbers:

501-212-4089

#### Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program:

Provides information and activities for members of the National Guard and Reserve Components, Families, and community members throughout the deployment cycle. Three Yellow Ribbon events were held during fiscal 2014 which served 695 Service members and Families.

#### Phone Numbers:

501-212-4098

#### Sexual Harassment and Assault Response Prevention Program:

The Sexual Assault Response Coordinator provides preventative education, victim advocacy and other services to encourage an environment free of sexual harassment and assault. They work with units to ensure mission readiness and unit cohesion while also providing support to victims.

#### Suicide Prevention Program:

Provides confidential assistance for service members; conducts annual training for suicide prevention and resiliency. Prevention officers include trained gatekeepers, the Inspector General, Judge Advocate General and medical command staff.

#### Phone Numbers:

501-212-4099

#### State Resiliency, Risk Reduction and Suicide Prevention Program (R3SP)

Provides assistance for Service members in crisis and conducts annual training for suicide prevention and resiliency. R3SP builds core competencies that enable mental toughness, optimal performance, strong leadership, and goal achievement in the face of challenges and adversity.

#### Phone Numbers:

501-212-4099

#### Survivor Outreach Services (SOS)

Survivor Outreach Services demonstrates DoD's commitment to Families of the fallen by providing long-term support, services and resources to those who have lost a loved one in the military.

#### Phone Number:

501-212-4122

#### Casualty Notification Office/ Casualty Affairs Office (CNO/CAO)

The Arkansas Army National Guard conducts CNO/CAO support, training and re-certification to provide a ready and relevant force to conduct casualty operations for Soldiers and their Families across the state.

#### Phone Number:

501-212-4032

#### Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve:

Is a Department of Defense agency whose mission is to develop and promote employer support for Guard and Reserve service. Paramount to ESGR's mission is encouraging employment of Guardsmen and Reservists who bring integrity, global perspective and proven leadership to the civilian workforce.

ESGR goals are to gain and maintain support from employers for Guard and Reserve service; educate customers and stakeholders; advocate within DoD for Reserve Component employers; continue to refine the organization for relevancy, effectiveness and efficiency; advocate for employer issues with military families; facilitate employment transitions relating to the continuum of military service. Additionally, ESGR provides numerous employment resources.

#### Phone Number:

501-212-4018

#### The Military Funeral Honors Program:

The Military Funeral Honors Program provides burial honors for eligible military personnel. We work directly with Ft. Sill, Okla., funeral directors; family members; friends of Family and other organizations representing the Family.

- Conducted 1306 funeral services and 4 Honorable Transfer of Remains in various churches, chapels, cemeteries and private Family residences throughout the state of Arkansas driving well over 150,000 miles.
- Certified 10 Veterans Service Organizations.
- Provided MFH training for local police and fire departments, and other military agencies.

Phone Numbers: 501-212-4012

# SUPPORT GROUPS

## COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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The Arkansas National Guard participates in 4 community councils. Two community councils are located in central Arkansas; the third is located in Fort Smith. The community councils are civilian, non-profit organizations consisting of community leaders who share the common interest of promoting the Arkansas National Guard across the state.

The community councils are:

1. Little Air Force Base Community Council – Jacksonville, Arkansas
2. Camp Robinson/Camp Pike Community Council – North Little Rock, Arkansas
3. 188th Wing/Fort Chaffee Community Council – Fort Smith, Arkansas
4. Northwest Arkansas Council – Springdale, Arkansas

The Northwest Arkansas Council is a private, nonprofit organization committed to sustaining and improving Northwest Arkansas as a great place to live and conduct business. Executives from some of the largest and most influential corporations in the nation serve on this council.

## ENLISTED ASSOCIATION OF THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD

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The Enlisted Association of the Arkansas National Guard (EAANG) is the professional organization for Enlisted Airmen and Soldiers in the Arkansas National Guard. They promote and advance the status, welfare, and benefits of enlisted members through legislative efforts, at both the state and national level.

They have been in the fight on such things as the 100 percent state income tax exemption, the Resident Military Retiree Lifetime Hunting License and Tricare Reserve Select benefits. In 2015, some issues that the association is working towards with legislative leaders are: to expand the 100 percent state income tax exemption to retiree's, amend the rules for tuition assistance usage among new recruits, grant access for our technicians to Tricare Reserve Select and allow for a state mandated 25 percent discount on car insurance for all military members.



## NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION OF ARKANSAS

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The National Guard Association of Arkansas (NGAA) helps develop and strengthen the National Guard by communicating programs of interest to more than 1,800 active, former and retired National Guard leaders. The association is an integral part of the adjutant general's legislative action committee effecting legislative actions at both state and national levels. NGAA also offers term life insurance and college scholarships to its members and their dependents.

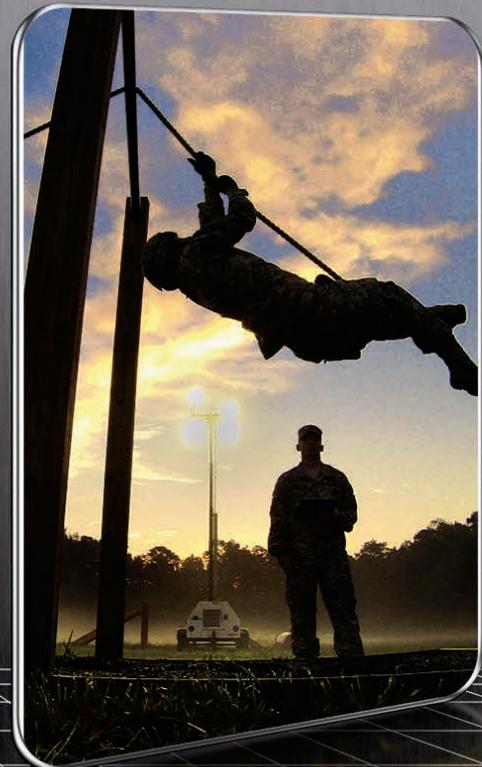




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