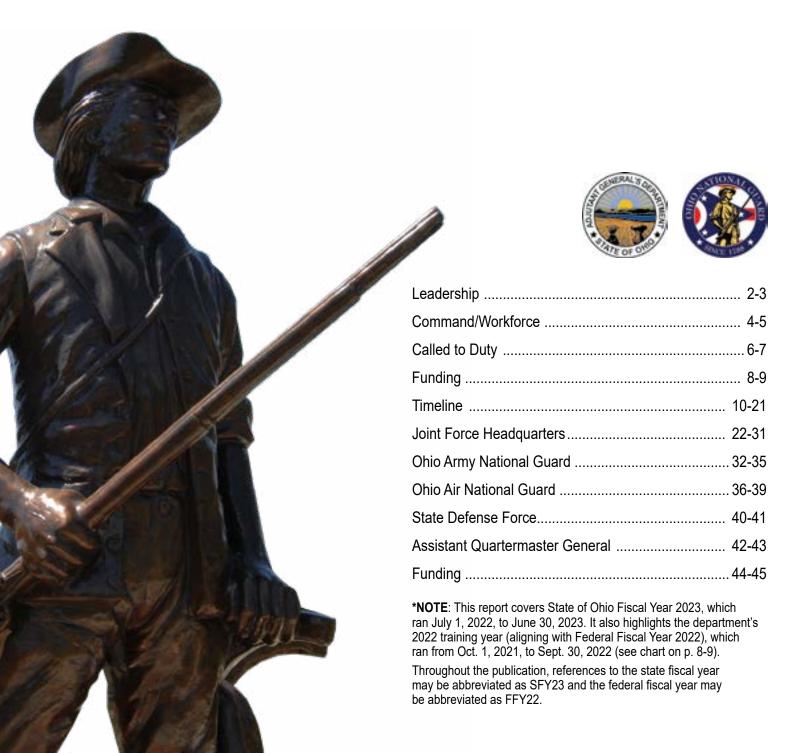
2023 OHIO ADJUTANT GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT



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Governor Mike DeWine,

It is my pleasure to present the Adjutant General's Department 2023 Annual Report. This year, your National Guard successfully completed missions to respond when called by our great state and nation.

Readiness is our number one priority. From planned deployments overseas to rapid response for emergency situations, we were ready to serve.

One way we maintain readiness is through our State Partnership Program.

This fiscal year, we celebrated our 15th anniversary of collaboration with Serbia.

The State Partnership Program helps to promote regional stability and ensures our countries can effectively work together on mutual missions.

One priority is to make sure our Guard members and Families are well taken care of, because our readiness depends on their readiness. We recently established a new J9 Directorate, which is a comprehensive wellness program that brings existing programs under one umbrella so there is "no wrong door" for our members and Families to enter when they need wellness assistance. Individuals who seek information about available assistance, resources, and services receive full assistance and are not denied or delayed in receiving care, information, or support because of an individual's inability to navigate available resources or help.

Cybersecurity continues as a major initiative. This year, the 179th Airlift Wing in Mansfield took its final flight before preparing to transition as the nation's first Air National Guard cyberspace wing. The wing will continue the transition to its new mission in the coming fiscal year.

I am honored to serve with the nearly 16,000 men and women whose dedication each and every day shows why the National Guard lives up to the motto "Always ready. Always there!"

Major General John C. Harris Jr. Ohio Adjutant General

LEADERSHIP



GOVERNOR

Mike DeWine

The governor is the commander in chief of the Ohio National Guard and, as such, has the authority to activate the Ohio National Guard to support and assist local authorities during state emergencies or for homeland defense.



ADJUTANT GENERAL

Major General John C. Harris Jr.

The adjutant general is a member of the governor's cabinet and is responsible for the command of the Ohio Army National Guard, Ohio Air National Guard, and State Defense Force. The adjutant general supervises the heads of these components in the day-to-day operation and management of the readiness, fiscal, personnel, equipment, and real property resources of the agency.



ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL FOR ARMY

Brigadier General Matthew S. Woodruff

The assistant adjutant general for Army is responsible for establishing policies, priorities, and oversight for the readiness of the Ohio Army National Guard in six brigadelevel major subordinate commands.



ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL FOR AIR

Brigadier General David B. Johnson The assistant adjutant general for Air is responsible for directing the Ohio Air National Guard's day-to-day operations and administration and helping establish policy to ensure mission readiness of four wings and support units.





DIRECTOR OF THE JOINT STAFF

Brigadier General Jeffrey B. Watkins

The director of the joint staff is responsible for executing joint Ohio National Guard operations, actions, and activities to help prepare for an effective response to contingency operations in a federal or state emergency. The director oversees the joint staff and advises the adjutant general on issues and policies relating to the operations, sustainment, and administration of the Ohio National Guard.



COMMAND SENIOR ENLISTED LEADER

Command Sergeant Major Scott M. Barga

The command senior enlisted leader (CSEL) serves as the adjutant general's principal advisor on all enlisted matters affecting training, readiness, utilization, health of the force, and enlisted professional development. As the highestranking enlisted member of the Ohio National Guard, the CSEL provides direction for the enlisted force, communicates command policies and initiatives, and ensures Soldiers and Airmen adhere to established organizational standards and goals.



ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

Colonel (Retired) Rodney D. Tansill

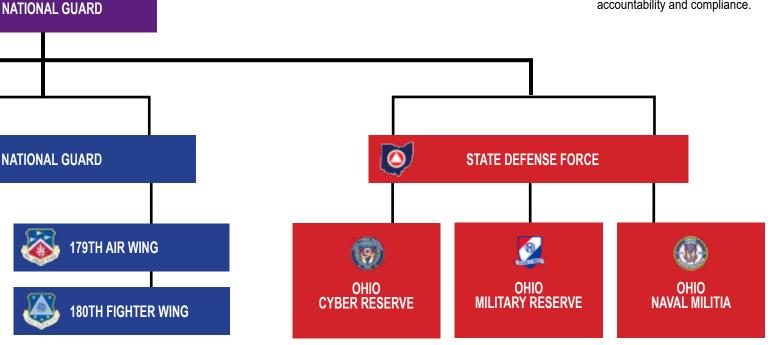
The assistant quartermaster general is responsible for all property of the Adjutant General's Department. The assistant quartermaster general heads the Directorate of Installation Management and Resources (DIMR), which oversees energy and environment, facilities management, state finance, state contracting, planning and programming, resource management, state inventory and business services, geospatial information services, and electronic security systems.



UNITED STATE PROPERTY AND FISCAL OFFICER

Colonel Thomas P. Caldwell

The United States Property and Fiscal Officer (USPFO) serves in Title 10 active-duty status and is responsible for oversight and accounting of federal funds and property in the possession of the Ohio National Guard. The USPFO ensures that federal funds are obligated and expended in compliance with applicable statutes and regulations, as directed by the chief, National Guard Bureau, and the appropriate service secretaries; the USPFO directs inventories, audits. and investigations to ensure accountability and compliance.



COMMAND



THE GOVERNOR

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

commands the Army and Air Ohio National Guard, and the State Defense Force. The Ohio National Guard is a unique military enterprise, with a dual mission that consists of both federal and state roles, administered by the Ohio Adjutant General's Department. As the adjutant general, Maj. Gen. John C. Harris Jr. is responsible to the governor of the State of Ohio and the president of the United States. These two responsibilities involve preparing for and responding to current and emerging homeland security threats, homeland defense initiatives, and national defense roles and missions. For state missions, the governor, through the adjutant general, commands Guard forces. The governor can call the National Guard into action during local or statewide emergencies, natural disasters, or civil disturbances. In addition, the president can activate the National Guard for participation in federal missions, including deployment of Guard units worldwide. When federalized. Guard units are commanded by the combatant commander of the geographic region in which they are operating. The Adjutant General's Department comprises the Ohio Army and Air National Guard, as well as the State Defense Force, which is composed of the Ohio Military Reserve, Ohio Naval Militia, and the Ohio Cyber Reserve. Each entity is distinctly organized with diverse capabilities.

WORKFORCE

STATE OF OHIO EMPLOYEES 252

Bargaining Unit Employees 181

Exempt Employees	71
STATE DEFENSE FORCE	391
Headquarters, State Defense Force	31
Ohio Cyber Reserve	122
Ohio Military Reserve	190
Ohio Naval Militia	48

OHIO NATIONAL GUARD 15,750

The Ohio National Guard is the organized military force of the state, except when ordered into federal service.

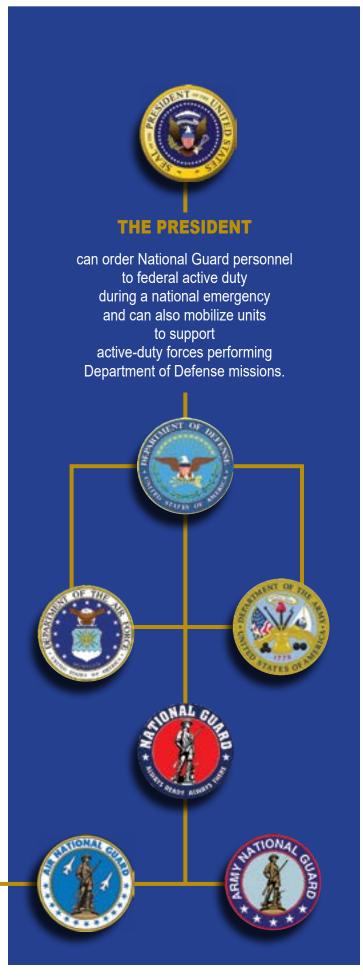
Ohio Army National Guard Total	10,806
Traditional Guard Members	. 9,194
Federal Active Guard Reserve	918
Federal T32 Technicians	539
Federal T5 NG Employees	155
Ohio Air National Guard Total	. 4,971
Traditional Guard Members	. 3,409



- The adjutant general and the assistant adjutants general for Army and Air are State of Ohio employees serving in a federally recognized status.
- The majority of individuals serving in the Ohio National Guard are "traditional" Guard members, known as Citizen-Soldiers and -Airmen. They serve part time, have civilian jobs, and live in communities throughout the state.
- The Ohio National Guard retains a Full-time Unit Staff (FTUS) of Active Guard Reserve members (AGR), Title 32 dual status (DST) federal technicians (uniformed military members), and Title 5 (T5) federal technicians (non-uniformed civilians).
- The Adjutant General's Department is authorized 300 state employees that manage state funds and resources, and operate and maintain the agency's facilities and programs.
- The State Defense Force does not utilize FTUS.
- State Active Duty (SAD) is the governor's authority to mobilize the OHNG and SDF.

TOTAL WORKFORCE 16,393

Among monthly or scheduled training, annual training, and deployments, the Ohio National Guard is administered, trained, and equipped through the efforts of the nearly 20% of its workforce that makes up the full-time staff. They are the core of the force, ensuring that traditional drill status Guard members are always ready to serve.



CALLED TO DUTY

Ohio National Guard members answer the call to duty both home and abroad through federal, state, and community missions.

FEDERAL MISSIONS

As an operational reserve to the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force, the Ohio National Guard fights the nation's wars alongside America's active-duty components across the world.

OHIO ARMY NATIONAL GUARD SUPPORT

3,260 Total Soldiers Deployed from

1194th Engineer Company

1484th Transportation Company

174th Air Defense Artillery Brigade

1937th Support Detachment

196th Public Affairs Detachment (Mobile)

204th Engineer Detachment

285th Medical Company

37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team

5th Battalion, 54th Security Force Assistance Reg.

Battery B, 2nd Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Reg.

In Support Of

European Deterrence Initiative Operation Inherent Resolve Operation Noble Eagle Operation Spartan Shield Southwest Border Security Indo-Pacific Command

OHIO AIR NATIONAL GUARD SUPPORT

909 Total Airmen Deployed from

121st Air Refueling Wing

178th Wing

179th Airlift Wing

180th Fighter Wing

200th RED HORSE

220th Engineering Installation Squadron

269th Combat Communications Squadron

In Support Of

Operation Copper Arrow

Counter Terrorism EXORD

Greenwood DFT(Deployment For Training)

Operation Allies Welcome

Operation Enduring Sentinel

Operation Freedom's Sentinel

Operation Inherent Resolve

Operation Spartan Shield

U.S. Pacific Command Theater Support Package

Silver Arrow Exercise

Title 10 Air Combat Command Workload

Ukraine Support

COMMUNITY MISSIONS

The Ohio National Guard (OHNG) is actively involved in local communities, striving to be a valued and consistent partner by providing support, through a variety of programs and efforts. The OHNG also contributes to the advancement of Ohio and its communities through tangible partnerships such as the Ohio Cyber Collaboration Committee (OC3), which strengthens cybersecurity infrastructure in the state; and the Ohio National Guard Counterdrug Program, which provides support to civilian law enforcement agencies and community-based organizations to enhance their efforts to counter the threat of illegal substances, trafficking, and violence in Ohio.

COUNTERDRUG PROGRAM

The Ohio National Guard Counterdrug Program provided full-time analysis support to 35 law enforcement agencies and six community-based substance abuse prevention organizations with 39 Soldiers and 23 Airmen of the Ohio National Guard. Counterdrug supported the spring and fall Prescription Drug Takeback Day events by transporting over 20,000 pounds of unused medications.

Full-time Support to	Federal Agencies	13
Full-time Support to	State/Local Agencies	22
Full-time Support to	Prevention Organizations	6

MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS PROGRAM

The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that, upon request, a funeral honors detail is provided for the funeral of any Veteran, except when military honors are prohibited under section 985(a) of this title. Ohio has complied with all program requirements to minimize cost and only provides the minimum personnel required for funeral services performed. (10 U.S. CODE § 1491)

Honors for Veterans, NG Soldiers, Active-Duty deaths... 4,864 Honorable Transfer of remains for Active-Duty deaths 10

STATE MISSIONS

Members of the Ohio National Guard stand ready to serve their state at a moment's notice, to ensure the protection of life and property, and to preserve peace, order, and public safety. This includes emergency response to public health pandemics and natural disasters, homeland defense, law enforcement and local government support, and other state government functions.

\$172,059 Total Expenditures 104 Total Deployed

Soldiers	97
Airmen	2
Cyber Reservists	5

STATE TESTED NURSE AID TRAINING

February - March 2023 — The Ohio Department of Health funded training for Ohio National Guard Soldiers and Airmen to become certified State Tested Nurse Aides (STNA). The program's goal is to increase the number of trained personnel to support staffing needs for Ohio hospitals during any potential future public health issues.

OPERATION NIGHT TRAIN

February 2023 — Ohio National Guard military police Soldiers supported civil law enforcement following a large-scale train derailment in East Palestine, Ohio. The Ohio National Guard was activated at the request of Gov. Mike DeWine to support local and state authorities in providing cordon and traffic control around the incident site. Members of the 52nd Civil Support Team performed duty in a U.S.C. Title 32 active-duty status.

CYBER SHIELD

May - June 2023 — Members of the Ohio Cyber Reserve (OhCR) played multiple roles at the Cyber Shield 2023 exercise at the Professional Education Center in North Little Rock, Ark. Cyber Shield is the longest-running and largest Department of Defense unclassified cyber defense exercise, conducted annually since 2013. Participants from the OhCR built relationships with other cyber professionals from around the country and learned new processes and procedures to use in their civilian professions as well as when serving with the OhCR.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The Ohio National Guard Community Relations (COMREL) Program is responsible for administering community support requests. Guard members support hundreds of communities or military appreciation events, engaging with Ohioans throughout the state. The Ohio National Guard offers several resources for the community to request, including military bands, color guards, military displays, and flyovers.

Ohio National Guard members support several annual "Big Ticket" events such as the PGA's Memorial Tournament; Governor's Wreath-Laying Ceremony; Red, White and BOOM! Independence Day celebration; Columbus Veterans Day Parade; The Ohio State University military appreciation football game; and the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame induction ceremony.

Supported Events	100
Estimated Attendance at Supported Events	1,319,700
Events Not Supported	



Celebrating November as National Veterans and Military Families Month

A color guard from the 121st Air Refueling Wing leads the Columbus Veterans Day Parade, Nov. 10, 2022, in downtown Columbus, Ohio. Other Ohio National Guard parade support included a contingent of senior leaders presiding over events from the reviewing stand, music from the 122nd Army Band (pictured behind color guard), a procession of vehicles and Guard members from several Army and Air units, and an F-16 flyover from the 180th Fighter Wing. Sponsored annually by MILVETS, the parade honors the service and sacrifice made by veterans, current service members, and their Families.

FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2022 (FFY22)

October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022

October 2021	
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January 2022

February 2022

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FEDERAL FUNDING

OHIO NATIONAL GUARD\$	601,855,845
Ohio Army National Guard\$	273,167,379
Ohio Air National Guard\$	326,688,466

CONTRIBUTING TO OHIO'S GROWTH

Through a variety of programs, appropriations, and opportunities the Adjutant General's Department and Ohio National Guard create tangible economic, financial, and workforce development impacts to the state of Ohio and the communities where Guard members serve. live, work, and learn. In addition, through the combined effects of educational benefits, job training, and work experience, Guard members continually advance their academic goals and civilian careers while remaining residents of Ohio.

Total federal funds spent throughout Ohio during this fiscal year in direct support of the Adjutant General's Department were \$601,855,845

The State of Ohio expended \$11,904,017

Approximately \$50.56 in federal dollars were provided for every state dollar spent for the department!

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July 1,	2022 to Jur	ne 30, 2023										
July 2022	August 2022	September 2022	October 2022	November 2022	December 2022	January 2023	February 2023	March 2023	April 2023	May 2023	June 2023	

STATE FUNDING

GENERAL REVENUE FUND TOTAL\$ 11. State General Revenue Funds (GRF) come from Ohio income tax revenues. GRF complement federal grants for administration of the Ohio National Guard and provide the minimal amount administration and facilities management funded fully by the	ne ation of
Central Administration	3,183,095
Ohio Army National Guard\$ In combination with federal grant funding, supports operations and maintenance activities at Ohio Army National Guard facilities.	3,774,427
Ohio Air National Guard\$ Provides the required funding match to secure federal grant funding for maintenance and facility support personnel and services at Ohio Air National Guard facilities.	1,811,250
National Guard Benefits	174,000
State Active Duty\$ Funding for state active duty deployments in response to natural and man-made disasters.	101,445
Ohio Cyber Range	2,100,000
Ohio Cyber Reserve	750,000
Ohio Military Reserve	9,800

and feeding costs, and supplies and other necessary day-to-day items.

ROTARY FUND \$ 2,620,540

Rotary funds come from self-sustaining operations of the Ohio National Guard, such as Camp Perry's transient lodging program and range rentals, as well as the sale of any Ohio Army National Guard readiness centers and property.

OHNG Maintenance	\$ 189,997
Armory Improvements	\$ 1,189,040
Community MatchArmories	\$ 413,890
Camp Perry	\$ 827,613

JULY



Homeland Response Force Training to deal with disaster

Battery C, 2-174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment returns home from deployment

Soldiers with Battery C, 2nd Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment meet with Family members and friends after returning from their deployment July 2, 2022, at Vineyard Community Church in Reynoldsburg, Ohio. The Soldiers provided support to Operation Inherent Resolve during the unit's yearlong overseas mission.

Prepare for the worst, hope for the best: Ohio Homeland Response Force trains for variety of disasters

Members of the Ohio National Guard Homeland Response Force's Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear Task Force (CBRN-TF) practice conducting search and rescue operations, utilizing a rubber training dummy, during a July 2022 exercise at Muscatatuck Urban Training Center in Butlerville, Ind. Members of the CBRN-TF's medical element, in conjunction with the search and extraction team, are trained to conduct ropes rescues in full hazmat gear if casualties are trapped in hard-to-reach places, need lifesaving treatment quickly, and can't be evacuated.

1022





179th Airlift Wing Final Flight of the C-130H Hercules

Pilots from the 164th Airlift Squadron at the 179th Airlift Wing at Mansfield Lahm Air National Guard Base in Mansfield, Ohio, stand outside their aircraft after their final flight on July 7, 2022. This aircraft, tail 88-4401, will retire and become a static display at the MAPS Air Museum (Military Aviation Preservation Society), an internationally known aviation museum in North Canton, Ohio. After being selected to become the nation's first Air National Guard cyberspace wing, the unit is transitioning from flying the C-130H Hercules to a new mission.

122nd Army Band marches in return of Red, White & BOOM! parade

Members of the 122nd Army Band march in the Red, White & BOOM! parade July 1, 2022, in Columbus, Ohio. Not conducted since 2019 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Red, White & BOOM! typically attracts over 400,000 to the city's downtown riverfront area and features a street festival, live music, and fireworks to celebrate Independence Day.

AUGUST



MASCAL exercise

Ohio ARNG engineer advisor team deploys in support of U.S. Indo-Pacific Command

Soldiers assigned to Engineer Advisor Team 6510, 5th Battalion, 54th Security Force Assistance Regiment stand at attention during a call to duty ceremony Aug. 6, 2022, at the Maj. Gen. Robert S. Beightler Armory in Columbus, Ohio. While deployed, the team is helping facilitate theater support cooperation within the U.S. Indo-Pacific Command area of responsibility.

37th IBCT conducts MASCAL exercise

Combat medics assigned to the 237th Support Battalion, 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (IBCT) perform a litter carry during a mass casualty training exercise as part of Operation Northern Strike at Camp Grayling, Mich., Aug. 11, 2022. Northern Strike provides sustainment formations with a place to train and test their ability to rapidly deploy, set the theater, and provide timely support in a decisive action environment.





2022

Ohio National Guard honors deploying cyber protection, medical units during combined call to duty ceremony

Soldiers assigned to U.S. Army Cyber Protection Team 172 and the 285th Medical Company (Area Support) bow their heads during the invocation portion of their combined call to duty ceremony Aug. 7, 2022, at Reynoldsburg High School-Summit Campus in Reynoldsburg, Ohio. The Soldiers are deploying in support of Department of Defense operations worldwide, including working with U.S. allies and partner nations.

Soldiers gain invaluable experience with multicomponent, multinational operations during Northern Strike 22

Soldiers assigned to 1st Battalion, 134th Field Artillery Regiment fire their M119A3 Howitzer during Northern Strike Aug. 12, 2022, at Camp Grayling, Mich. Northern Strike, the country's largest National Guard Bureau-sponsored training exercise with roughly 8,000 participants from different states and countries, provides participants with a variety of training scenarios that help develop readiness, increase unit cohesion, and build relationships.

SEPTEMBER



TAG Combat Marksmanship Championship

State command chief leads through strong support from family, fellow Airmen

Meet Chief Master Sgt. Troy Taylor, the 12th state command chief master sergeant of the Ohio Air National Guard. He attributes his success to the support he has received from his Family, fellow Airmen, and mentors who have helped mold him into the leader he is today.

Adjutant General's Combat Marksmanship Championship brings Ohio's top shooters to Camp Perry

Sgt.1st Class Joshua Condon, the force protection noncommissioned officer with the 371st Sustainment Brigade, fires in the prone position while competing in the 2022 Adjutant General's Combat Marksmanship Championship at Camp Perry Joint Training Center in Port Clinton, Ohio, Sept. 16, 2022. Soldiers and Airmen from across the state competed to test their marksmanship skills at the event.

1022



37th IBCT deploying in support of Operation Inherent Resolve

Family and friends say their goodbyes as Soldiers from the 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team deploy overseas in the fall of 2022 for approximately a one-year deployment in support of U.S. Central Command.



178th Wing demonstrates swift water rescue capability

Airmen assigned to the 178th Wing in Springfield, Ohio, partnered with the Cincinnati Fire Department to demonstrate their water rescue capabilities Sept. 13, 2022, for a visiting delegation of Serbians. The Serbian delegation toured numerous fire departments in the area to learn how to best establish a volunteer firefighter program in their country.

OCTOBER



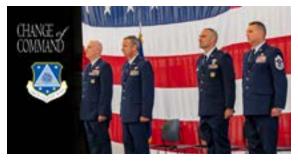


Special Forces building renamed to honor fallen comrade

The Ohio National Guard, Sgt. 1st Class Daniel B. Crabtree Special Forces Facility officially unveiled a memorial for SFC Crabtree, Oct. 15, 2022, at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base, Columbus, Ohio. Crabtree was killed in 2006 when an improvised explosive device struck his vehicle during his deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Top Air National Guard enlisted leader visits all four Ohio wings

Chief Master Sgt. Maurice L. Williams, command chief master sergeant of the Air National Guard, speaks to enlisted Airmen of the 121st Air Refueling Wing Oct. 16, 2022, at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base in Columbus, Ohio. During October and November, Williams traveled to all four Ohio Air National Guard wings, touring facilities, spending time with Airmen, and hosting town halls to discuss a variety of topics important to the force.





2022

Holesko assumes command of 180th Fighter Wing, DiDio retires

Col. Chad Holesko (second from right), new commander of the 180th Fighter Wing, stands at attention during a change of command ceremony Oct. 15, 2022, at the Toledo Air National Guard Base in Swanton, Ohio. Holesko assumed command from Col. Michael DiDio (second from left), who retired with more than 25 years of military service. Also pictured are Brig. Gen. Gary McCue (left), Ohio deputy assistant adjutant general for Air and presiding officer for the ceremony, and Chief Master Sgt. Daniel S. Baumert, 180th FW command chief master sergeant.

Special Forces operators conduct airborne, fast rope train

Ohio Army National Guard special operators assigned to Company B, 2nd Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, conducted various types of training, including airborne static line jumps and fast-rope operations out of a CH-47 Chinook helicopter, in October 2022 at Camp Atterbury, Ind.

NOVEMBER





180th Fighter Wing trains with 'Sun Downers' in Sunshine State

Airmen with the 180th Fighter Wing traveled to Key West, Fla. to train with Fighter Squadron Composite 111, the Navy's premier adversary squadron, which provided realistic training scenarios to help prepare them for homeland defense and contingency operations around the globe.

OSU Military Appreciation Game honors military, veterans

Ohio National Guard members were among those honored during The Ohio State University football team's annual Military Appreciation Game in conjunction with Veterans Day weekend events. A contingent of current service members and veterans from all branches were in attendance during the Buckeyes' 43-30 victory over Maryland at Ohio Stadium in Columbus. Ohio.

2022





First deploying Ohio ARNG engineer advisor team honored during welcome home ceremony

Col. Matthew S. Woodruff (left in all three panels), Ohio assistant adjutant general for Army, recognizes Soldiers with Engineer Advisor Team 6522, 5th Battalion, 54th Security Force Assistance Regiment (SFAR), during a welcome home ceremony Nov. 6, 2022, at the Defense Supply Center Columbus, in Columbus, Ohio. Team 6522 was the first from the 5-54th SFAR, which was stood up in 2019, to be activated for federal service when it was ordered to duty in February 2022.

Three former Guard members inducted into 2022 Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame class

From left, former Ohio National Guard members Glenn A. Hickman, Adam Carr and David L. Hobson are joined by Maj. Gen. John C. Harris Jr., Ohio adjutant general, for a photo during the 2022 Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony at The Ohio State University Fawcett Event Center in Columbus, Ohio, Nov. 29, 2022. Hickman, Carr, and Hobson were among the 20 inductees into the most recent class of the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame, which honors veterans who have made a lasting impact on their communities, the state of Ohio and across the country, outside of and after their military careers.

DECEMBER



Wreaths Across America ceremony at Ohio Statehouse honors veterans

From left, Command Sgt. Maj. Shawn Hayslett, honor guard noncommissioned officer in charge, Maj. Gen. John C. Harris Jr., Ohio adjutant general, and Jan Rozanski, a Gold Star Father, honor the sacrifices of the nation's veterans and their Families during a Wreaths Across America ceremony Dec. 12, 2022, at the Ohio Statehouse in Columbus, Ohio. Wreaths Across America, a nonprofit organization, conducts events at more than 3,400 locations in all 50 states and throughout the world to raise awareness and appreciation for veterans and military Families.

Ohio Army National Guard conducts annual leaders conference

Nearly 200 Ohio Army National Guard officers and senior noncommissioned officers gather for the 2022 Army Leaders Conference at the Maj. Gen. Robert S. Beightler Armory in Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 9, 2022. The annual conference brings together command teams and other key leaders at the company, battalion, brigade, and general staff echelons in order to provide senior leader guidance and updates to the force.





TIMELINE 2022

Ohio National Guard systems administrator part of winning Department of Defense Services Cup team

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Christopher Ravis, second from right, an Ohio National Guard systems administrator, along with other members of the National Guard team, display the SANS NetWars Department of Defense Services Cup they earned as champions of the annual competition. Hosted by the SysAdmin, Audit, Network and Security (SANS) Institute as part of its Cyber Defense Initiative event held in Washington, D.C., Dec. 15-16, 2022, the competition focused on testing skills in computer and systems administration, threat hunting, analysis, cryptography, and other cyber-specific Airmen that can operate in a contested, tasks. The competition, won by the National Guard for the third year in a row, consisted of 18, five-member teams from all military branches and several non-military government agencies.

180th Fighter Wing conducts ACE training

U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Anthony Barrow, a munitions systems specialist assigned to the Ohio National Guard's 180th Fighter Wing, works on the connections of an AN/ALE-50 towed decoy system on an F-16 Fighting Falcon during Agile Combat Employment training at the 180th FW in Swanton, Ohio, Dec. 12, 2022. Agile Combat Employment allows Airmen to widen capabilities by training in adjacent career fields, creating multi-capable degraded, and operationally limited environment.

JANUARY





Ceremony signifies transition of assistant adjutants general for Army

A January change of command ceremony signified the transition from the outgoing assistant adjutant general for Army, Brig. Gen. Thomas E. Moore II, to the incoming one, Brig. Gen. Matthew S. Woodruff. Moore, a Cumberland, Ohio native, retired after a 33-year military career that includes service both on active duty and in the Ohio Army National Guard.

Adjutant general reappointed as Gov. DeWine begins second term

Maj. Gen. John C. Harris Jr. was reappointed as adjutant general to begin Gov. Mike DeWine's second term in office, marked by the governor's Jan. 9 inauguration ceremony at the Ohio Statehouse. Harris has served as adjutant general since January 2019.

2023





Best of the Buckeye State: Outstanding Airmen of the Year

Five members of the Ohio Air National Guard took home honors in their respective rank categories during the 2023 Outstanding Airman of the Year Awards banquet at the Clark State College's Hollenbeck Bayley Creative Arts and Conference Center in Springfield, Ohio. The annual awards recognize Airmen who go above and beyond, including demonstrating leadership, strong work ethic, and commitment to giving back to their communities.

180th Fighter Wing conducts training flights

U.S. Air Force Maj. Phillip McCoy, an F-16 fighter pilot assigned to the Ohio National Guard's 180th Fighter Wing, climbs into an F-16 Fighting Falcon before a training flight at the 180th FW in Swanton, Ohio, Jan. 24, 2023. The 180th FW is the only F-16 fighter wing in the state of Ohio, whose mission is "Provide for America ~ Protection of the homeland, effective combat power and defense support to civil authorities, while developing Airmen, supporting their Families, and serving in the community."

FEBRUARY



Brig. Gen. Jeffrey Watkins receives his stars during ceremony

Brig. Gen. Jeffrey Watkins, director of the Joint Staff for the Ohio National Guard, pinned on his stars during a promotion ceremony in February, in the presence of family, friends and fellow Guard members.



Guard responds to train derailment in Northeast Ohio

Members of the 52nd Civil Support Team ready themselves to enter an affected incident area to assess and collect samples at public facilities for any possible remaining hazards following a large-scale train derailment in East Palestine, Ohio, Feb. 7, 2023. The Ohio National Guard was activated at the request of Gov. Mike DeWine to support local and state authorities in providing traffic control, geospatial assessments, ground and air sample collection, and mitigation resources following the Feb. 3 derailment.



Hungarian, Serbian defense chiefs visit, attend Joint Senior Leader Conference

Delegations representing the Ohio National Guard, Hungarian Defence Forces, and Serbian Armed Forces tour Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base in Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 2, 2023. The Hungarian and Serbian delegations were invited to attend the Ohio National Guard Joint Senior Leader Conference, or JSLC, held at the Nationwide Hotel and Conference Center Feb. 3-5. The annual conference is an opportunity for OHNG leaders to collaborate, recognize achievements, and discuss future organizational objectives.



Rickenbacker firefighters participate in new Jaws of Life equipment training

Firefighters with the Rickenbacker Fire Department participate in hands-on training with new HURST Jaws of Life equipment at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base, Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 15, 2023. The firefighters learned how to use and care for the hydraulic rescue tools and then practiced using the tools on two vehicles.

1023

MARCH



180FW Security Forces Airmen participate in Counter Narcotics Training

Airmen assigned to the 180th Fighter Wing Security Forces Squadron took part in counter narcotics training with the Defiance Police Department at the 180th Fighter Wing in Swanton, Ohio, March 4, 2023. Airmen who participated in the class learned about a variety of illegal drugs, how they can be concealed in vehicles and other containers, and methods of detection and identification.



Exercise Vulcan Guard Bolt 4 integrates international partners

The 178th Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance Group hosted partners from the Polish Armed Forces as well as members of the U.S. Space Force as part of Exercise Vulcan Guard Bolt 4 at Springfield-Beckley Air National Guard Base in Springfield, Ohio, March 24, 2023. Vulcan Guard Bolt 4 lasted for four days, with the goal of exercising space electromagnetic warfare, electronic support, and space intelligence mission areas.

2023



178th Wing Holds Large-Scale Readiness Exercise

Airmen assigned to the 178th Medical Group transport a simulated casualty on a litter during an exercise on Springfield-Beckley Air National Guard Base, Springfield, Ohio, March 31, 2023. The exercise provided the medical group an opportunity to practice responding while wearing protective equipment.



123rd Air Control Squadron celebrates 75th anniversary

The 123rd Air Control Squadron celebrated 75 years of activity during a ceremony with Brig. Gen. David B. Johnson, assistant adjutant general for Air, at Blue Ash Air National Guard Station in Blue Ash, Ohio, March 24, 2023. Former Airmen and leaders were invited to celebrate the anniversary during a ceremony which highlighted the history and accomplishments of the unit.

APRIL





Ohio Army National Guard Best Warrior Competition determines top Soldier, NCO

Fourteen Soldiers competed in the 2023 Ohio Army National Guard Best Warrior Competition this spring at Camp James A. Garfield Joint Military Training Center in Newton Falls, Ohio. The events tested Soldiers' abilities and pushed them to their limits — tactically, physically and mentally, all with the goal of obtaining the title of OHARNG Noncommissioned Officer and Soldier of the Year.

Airforce chief of staff visits 179th Airlift Wing ahead of mission conversion

U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. CQ Brown, Jr., holds an all call with Airmen during a visit to the 179th Airlift Wing at Mansfield Lahm Air National Guard Base in Mansfield, Ohio, Apr. 2, 2023. The visit to Mansfield was an opportunity for senior leadership to visit with Airmen and learn about the historic mission conversion of the unit into the Air National Guard's first-ever cyberspace wing.





2023

The 121st Air Refueling Wing participates in Nuclear Operational Readiness Inspection

A wing inspection team watches aircrews on the flight line during a Nuclear Operations Readiness Inspection (NORI), April 1, 2023, at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base, Columbus, Ohio. The NORI is used to validate Airman readiness and nuclear deterrence capabilities, ensuring that the 121st is ready to play its part in the security of our nation.

Ohio National Guard conducts multi-national training exercise with NATO allies

Airmen assigned to the 123rd Air Control Squadron stand for a portrait alongside service members from Lithuania, Latvia, and Hungary during a joint training exercise April 28, 2023, in Blue Ash, Ohio. The training included air battle management, ground control intercept, large-force employment, and air-to-air combat beyond visual range.

MAY





Iowa, Minnesota Army National Guard wins Region IV BWC titles

Spc. John Shields, second from left, a combat medic specialist with Company C, 334th Support Battalion, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 34th Infantry Division, Iowa Army National Guard, and his sponsor Staff Sgt. Robert Newall, third from left, stands with Maj. Gen. John C. Harris Jr., left, Ohio adjutant general, and Command Sgt. Maj. Sheldon Chambliss, Ohio Army National Guard state command sergeant major, during the 2023 Region IV Army National Guard Best Warrior Competition awards ceremony.

179th Airlift Wing officer earns Financial Management Officer of Year

First Lt. Kendale McFarland, budget officer at the 179th Airlift Wing in Mansfield, Ohio, was awarded the Financial Management Officer of the Year award, recognizing him as the top budget officer among the 94 Air National Guard wings throughout the United States.

2023





Ohio runners take 1st place at 46th annual Lincoln Marathon/National Guard time trials

More than 200 Airmen and Soldiers representing the National Guard from all 50 states, three U.S. territories, and the District of Columbia ran the 46th annual Lincoln Marathon May 7, competing for a spot on the National Guard Military Competitions All Guard Marathon Team. Six Ohio National Guard runners qualified for the 2023-24 All Guard Team including Capt. Brittany Downs, who placed first overall in the female category, helping the Ohio team secure its first-ever title.

121st pilots and aircrew participate in water survival training

U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Krista Guillotte with the 166th Air Refueling Squadron, 121st Air Refueling Wing, participates in Survival Evasion Resistance and Escape (SERE) water survival training at the Harcum Fitness and Aquatic Center in Reynoldsburg, Ohio, May 7, 2023. Every three years, pilots and certain aircrew go through SERE water survival training to familiarize themselves with the different types of equipment and prepare for the possibility of evacuating the aircraft in the water.

JUNE





Ceremonies mark retirement of state command sergeant major, new leader

Command Sgt. Maj. Sheldon Chambliss, left, outgoing Ohio Army National Guard state command sergeant major, relinquishes the organizational colors to Brig. Gen. Matthew S. Woodruff, Ohio assistant adjutant general for Army, during a change of responsibility ceremony at the Maj. Gen. Robert S. Beightler Armory in Columbus, Ohio, June 4, 2023. Chambliss, who retired after more than 35 years in the military, was succeeded by Command Sgt. Maj. William Workley, right, who had previously served as the first Ohio National Guard state command senior enlisted leader.

Rickenbacker hosts Columbus Air Show; event revived after nearly 20-year hiatus

The U.S. Navy Blue Angels fly over Rickenbacker International Airport, June 16, 2023, as part of the Columbus Air Show, which returned after an almost 20-year absence. This year's event featured more than 20 military and civilian planes, including a KC-135 Stratotanker (pictured) from the 121st Air Refueling Wing, which served as the base of operations for military aircraft participating in the show.





2023

Ohio Air National Guard chief of staff promoted to brigadier general

Brig. Gen. Clarence K. Maynus, center, Ohio Air National Guard chief of staff, stands at attention as his daughter, Jill, left, and son Luke place the insignia of brigadier general on his uniform during a promotion ceremony at the Maj. Gen. Robert S. Beightler Armory in Columbus, Ohio, June 22, 2023. In his position, Maynus leads and oversees a state headquarters that helps ensure the mission readiness of approximately 5,100 Ohio Air National Guard personnel who support a variety of community, state, and federal missions.

52nd Civil Support Teams takes part in Exercise ORCA 2023 in Alaska

Members of the Ohio National Guard's 52nd Civil Support Team, FBI Anchorage, and Homeland Security Investigations, conduct site characterization, which includes gathering intel, room schematics, photos, and laying cones for potential sampling points and targets of interest at the Anchorage, Alaska Fire Training Center as part of Exercise ORCA 2023, June 14, 2023. The biennial exercise included units from five other states and is part of the CST's routine training schedule, designed to maintain readiness, validate response procedures, and collaborate with first response agencies across the state.



JOINT FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Located at the Maj. Gen. Robert S. Beightler Armory in northwest Columbus, the Joint Force Headquarters-Ohio encompasses the Adjutant General's Department and the various offices and organizations that conduct the business of the Ohio National Guard — for its members, units, partners, and the State of Ohio government. The Joint Force Headquarters (JFHQ) executes command and control of all Ohio National Guard forces through the joint staff and the headquarters elements for the Ohio Army and Air National Guard by providing leadership, administrative, training, and logistical support to facilitate the organization's missions and maintain individual member readiness. Elements of the JFHQ engage in a variety of community, regional, and strategic partnerships; manage member educational and other benefits; and coordinate with government entities, as well as keep stakeholders and constituents informed through numerous public affairs and community outreach efforts. The JFHQ coordinates military support at the request of the governor in the event of a disaster or state emergency, as well as homeland security, defense support of civil authorities, and other domestic emergency missions within the United States. The JFHQ also serves as a liaison with National Guard Bureau, the Secretaries of the Army and Air Force, and the Department of Defense to provide ready units and Guard members to support the National Defense Strategy and contingency operations worldwide.



KOREAN WAR

VIETNAM WAR.

AFGHANISTAN GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY

PARTNERSHIPS



Educators, first responders participate in Guard orientation flight, familiarization tour

Ohio educators, first responders, and Ohio Army National Guard recruiters gather in front of a CH-47 Chinook helicopter as part of a daylong "Guard 101" experience hosted out of the Army Aviation Support Facility #1 in North Canton, Ohio, April 19, 2023. The event helped inform participants about the roles, missions, and equipment of the Ohio National Guard, as well as the numerous education and career training benefits available to those who join.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Ohio National Guard (OHNG) Community Outreach Program concentrates on building relationships with specific stakeholder groups to promote the readiness and resiliency of Soldiers, Airmen, and their Families in their respective communities. The OHNG achieves this through the following efforts:

Education – Initiatives that support efforts to help civilians understand the OHNG's mission and capabilities.

Engagement – Communication with target audiences aimed at creating and improving relationships with key communities and furthering understanding of the Ohio National Guard.

Partnerships - Every partnership we forge and grow is important to accomplishing the mission across nations and here at home. Our success always comes back to the support we receive from the local community.

Orientation Flights - An initiative that brings select members of the community to OHNG facilities for large-scale events involving a Guard brief, informational presentations from various units and offices, equipment displays and, most importantly, a flight aboard an military aircraft. In FY23, The Ohio National Guard hosted eight orientation flights with around 250 attendees in total.

Educator/Recruiting	4 flights	137 tota	al attendees
Federal Legislators		19	attendees
State Legislators	. 1 flight	46	attendees
Media	. 1 flight	11	attendees
Employers	. 1 flight	32	attendees



University of Cincinnati exercise

About 20 members of the Ohio Cyber Reserve tested their incident response skills during a cybersecurity exercise led by the Ohio Cyber Range Institute July 15, 2022, at the University of Cincinnati.

CYBERSECURITY

As part of its homeland defense mission, the Adjutant General's Department is leading a number of efforts in Ohio to protect state and local government, critical infrastructure, businesses, and private citizens from cyber threats and attacks.

OHIO CYBER RANGE (OCR)

The Ohio Cyber Range is a secure virtual environment used for cybersecurity training and technology development. The OCR is accessible for competitions, training, and as a testing environment for schools, governments, and businesses. Range sites are located at the University of Cincinnati and the University of Akron.

OHIO CYBER COLLABORATION COMMITTEE (OC3)

At the direction of the governor, the Adjutant General's Department has brought together more than 200 representatives from public, private, military, and educational organizations to form the OC3. Its mission is to provide an environment for collaboration between the key stakeholders to strengthen cybersecurity for all in the State of Ohio and to develop a stronger cybersecurity infrastructure.

STATE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM



The State Partnership Program (SPP) began as part of the European Reassurance Initiative in the 1990s. The program's intent was to partner with former Warsaw Pact/Soviet-influenced nations in Eastern Europe as a stability initiative. The SPP links U.S. states with a partner country to improve bilateral relations. The program's goals reflect an evolving international affairs mission for the National Guard, to promote regional stability and civil-military relationships in support of U.S. policy objectives.

The Ohio National Guard has two state partners. Since 1993, the Ohio National Guard has partnered with Hungary and celebrates the 30th anniversary of that partnership in 2023. In September of 2006, the Ohio National Guard began a partnership with the Republic of Serbia.

The state partners actively participate in a host of security cooperation activities ranging from bilateral familiarization and training events, to exercises, fellowship-style internships, and civic leader visits. Key areas of engagement include cybersecurity; chaplain training; nonlethal peacekeeping focus training and exercises; intelligence training; chemical, biological, nuclear, and radiological (CRBN) training; disaster preparedness response training; senior leader collaborations; military professional development; and aviation planning/support training. All activities are coordinated through the theater combatant commanders, the respective U.S. ambassadors' country teams and other agencies as appropriate, to ensure that National Guard support is tailored to meet both U.S. and country objectives.

The Serbian partnership produced a trilateral engagement in 2017 with the Angolan Armed Forces to create the first combined medical engagement between the three militaries in the Republic of Angola.



Ohio, Serbia celebrate spirit of cooperation during annual capstone event

Maj. Gen. John C. Harris Jr., right, Ohio adjutant general, presents a carved medallion to Gen. Milan Mojsilović, chief of the Serbian Armed Forces (SAF) General Staff, to commemorate the 15th anniversary of the State Partnership Program collaboration between Ohio and Serbia Sept. 8, 2022, in Belgrade, Serbia. The anniversary milestone was in 2021, but the COVID-19 pandemic prevented Harris from traveling to present the medallion that year. The ceremony was part of an Ohio delegation's official visit Sept. 7-10, 2022, which included meetings with Serbia's president, prime minister, and SAF senior leadership.

ENGAGEMENTS in FFY22





Hungarian Partnership Engagements	22
Serbian Partnership Engagements	17
General Officer Meetings	13
Partnered and Joint Exercises	2

MEMBER SUPPORT

The Soldiers, Airmen, and Families of the Ohio National Guard are the foundation of our program as we support them in all phases of their careers. From recruitment through retirement and beyond, we care for our members and their Families through a variety of programs.

The Ohio National Guard recently established a J9 Directorate, which is a comprehensive wellness program specifically focused on prevention, risk reduction, and resiliency for its members and their Families. The J9 incorporates existing Ohio National Guard programs together with new programs concentrated on awareness and mitigating self-directed harm, violence, and substance abuse. It will additionally expand current service member and Family-based services by placing them underneath a single manager and dedicated staff that is better able to understand broader issues and trends, and to move to resolve them with the appropriate resources and experts.

FAMILY READINESS & WARRIOR SUPPORT

The Ohio National Guard Family Readiness and Warrior Support (FR&WS) division serves all of Ohio's military members and military Families. Core objectives of these programs include preparing troops and Families for deployment throughout the deployment cycle (before, during and after), building resiliency in Military Families and members through aggressive individual and Family programming including camps and retreats, and executing specific pre-deployment briefings and postdeployment reintegration programs for troops, Families, and employers.



SOLDIERS SERVED BY CATEGORY OF SERVICE

Category	Serve
State & Federal Benefits Assistance	323
OHARNG Outreach	306
Military Records Assistance	50
Wounded, III, Injured Assistance	25
Retirement Consultations	125
Centralized Out-Processing	52
Ohio Dept. of Veteran Services Registration	210
VA 1010EZ Enrollment	10
Employment/Employer Support	196
Communication with Internal OHNG Assets	2461
Communication with External Resources	126
Internal and External Meetings	15



Ohio National Guard launches Freedom to Serve campaign

The Ohio National Guard launched its Freedom to Serve campaign June 1, 2023, at the Maj. Gen. Robert S. Beightler Armory in Columbus, Ohio, with retired U.S. Army Col. Edna Cummings, back row, third from left, who talked about the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion, an all-female, all-Black unit that served during World War II. This was the first of several scheduled events to celebrate the 75th anniversary of President Truman signing executive orders that directed the integration of the U.S. military and federal workforce, as well as the passage of the Women's Armed Services Integration Act.

WELLNESS PROGRAMS

SOLDIER AND FAMILY READINESS SPECIALISTS (SFRS) tracked 3,439 requests, worked 2,910 cases (including those Soldiers participating in Operation Solid Start), and provided resource support to 1,235 Military Families within its four Ohio regions.

OPERATION SOLID START PROGRAM provides a holistic understanding of Soldier readiness at the individual level to create stability at home and within a unit, thus allowing Soldiers to meet individual and collective training requirements in preparation of state and federal mobilization and missions.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH is a team of seven civilian psychological health coordinators who provide guidance to Army leadership, members, and their Families with acute behavioral health needs.

SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES provide long-term case management for Families of the fallen as part of the Army Casualty Continuum of Care.

CASUALTY ASSISTANCE is provided to next of kin members receiving benefits and/or entitlements in death or missing cases who need ongoing exchanges of information with the Department of the Army.

SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION & RESPONSE program provides the tools and resources to prevent the occurrence of sexual assaults while also protecting the rights and dignity of victims.

CAREER/FINANCE PROGRAMS

NATIONAL GUARD EMPLOYMENT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM provides employment support to connect employers and businesses seeking to hire veterans and service members. In FFY22 they assisted 611 clients with resume, job search, networking, and placement (resulting in 245 hired).

PERSONAL FINANCIAL COUNSELORS help Ohio Soldiers, Airmen, and Family members manage finances, resolve financial problems, and reach long-term goals such as getting an education, buying a home, and planning for retirement.

TRANSITION ASSISTANCE ADVISORS play a significant role in retirement programming, providing individualized and group consults on benefits, resources, programs and services to Soldiers who are retiring or separating from the Ohio National Guard.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

The State Chaplain's Office created several online learning opportunities for Soldiers and Family members to develop relationship and financial skills in lieu of traditional in-person Family, couples, and singles Strong Bonds Program weekends which resulted in providing three programs to 90 members.

YOUTH PROGRAMS are available for school-aged military-connected youth. In SFY23, 148 program volunteers provided 15,488 hours of service, impacting over 4,362 Ohio Military youth and Family members. Three, 5-day residential camps hosted 232 youth and teens, focusing on leadership and resilience.

PARTNER PROGRAMS

INTER-SERVICE FAMILY ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE (ISFAC) is a state-level committee of regional, state, federal agencies and organizations that meet to collaborate and align resources in support of Ohio troops and military Families.

EMPLOYER SUPPORT OF THE GUARD AND RESERVE promotes cooperation and understanding between Reserve Component service members and their civilian employers and to assist in the resolution of conflicts arising from an employee's military commitment.

YELLOW RIBBON REINTEGRATION PROGRAMMING assisted 2,162 Service Members and 1,482 Family members with the rigors of deployment and reintegration into civilian life through 10 briefings and 6 online events.

MILITARY ONESOURCE CONSULTANT builds relationships with organizations and individuals that provide support to service members and their Families. In SFY23, they supported 34 events with 6,935 attendees, reached 1,048 organizations resulting in 362 meetings, and provided direct support to 974 individuals.

EDUCATION & INCENTIVES

Education benefits are a significant incentive for recruiting and retaining quality Soldiers and Airmen in the organization. In addition, as technology constantly evolves, the educational and knowledge demands on our force increase proportionately.

Providing a variety of federal and state programs and educational benefits — including tuition assistance, student loan repayment, and induction and retention bonuses — the Ohio National Guard reaps better educated, well-rounded personnel to operate high-tech systems and lead our Soldiers and Airmen.

SOLDIER EDUCATION ASSISTANCE

The Ohio National Guard administers education programs and benefits which facilitate the accession and retention of Soldiers with specific skill sets thereby shaping the force in a manner which results in improved readiness levels. In FFY22, payments for the following programs were processed and reviewed at the Ohio National Guard headquarters before being sent to National Guard Bureau for further review and payment.

Federal Tuition Assistance Provides voluntary off-duty education programs in support of a Soldier's professional and personal self-development goals.	
OHNG Soldiers Enrolled	
Federal Credentialing Assistance Provides funding for federal credentialing programs.	
OHNG Soldiers Enrolled	
Montgomery GI BILL® - Chapter 1606 A benefit administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs that provides basic educational ass istance for traditional Soldiers actively serving in the Selected Reserve.	
OHNG Soldiers Enrolled	
Post 9/11 GI BILL® - Chapter 33 An education program for Service members who serve on active duty on or after Sept. 11, 2001. OHNG Soldiers Enrolled	
Montgomery Active Duty GI BILL® - Chapter 30 An education program that applies to veterans who served on active duty or AGR.	
OHNG Soldiers Enrolled 2	

Funds Expended \$ 8,525

INCENTIVES FOR SOLDIERS

The incentives program consists of multiple bonus types and the Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP).

Bonuses OHNG Soldier Recipients	1,072
Funds Expended	
Student Loan Repayment Program	
OHNG Soldier Recipients	0
Funds Expended	\$ 0

NOTE: NGB did not process SLRP payments during this fiscal year due to Guard Incentive Management System outages.



OHIO NATIONAL GUARD SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Ohio National Guard Scholarship Program (ONGSP) is a benefit provided by the State of Ohio and earned by Guard members for their service. It is not a grant or an entitlement program.

The ONGSP awards an average of 5,440 scholarships each academic year. Of the awarded scholarships, about 85% are for students attending public institutions of higher education. State-assisted institutions are paid 100 percent of students' tuition, which has been defined by the Ohio Board of Regents to include basic and instructional fees, while private schools are paid the average per-student tuition charges of state-assisted universities.

A recent new expansion to the ONGSP currently offers over 300 trade certification, credential-certifying, and licensing programs to OHNG members. The ONGSP will pay tuition costs for any approved Non-Traditional Education Program (NTEP) at any participating college or university after federal or Department of Defense educational assistance funding has been applied.

In SFY23 the ONGSP processed 3,777 term applications for 1,965 members against a \$17.8 million appropriation.

Undergraduate Degree Program

Funds Appropriated	17.8 Million
Participants	1,965
Schools Attended (out of 128 participating)	83

New in SFY23:

Credentials, Licensure & Certification Program

Approved Programs	119
Approved Schools	395





State legislators participate in orientation flight, tour

Ohio legislators and their staff gather for an orientation flight and familiarization tour Aug. 12, 2022, at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base in Columbus, Ohio. In addition to a UH-60 Black Hawk helicopter flight, conducted by members of the 1-137th Aviation Regiment, attendees also received presentations and viewed static displays from the Ohio Homeland Response Force, 52nd Civil Support Team and Company B, 2-19th Special Forces Group. Orientation events provide an opportunity to educate key external stakeholders about the Ohio National Guard's missions and capabilities.

GOVERNMENT AND

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

The Government Affairs Office (GAO) is responsible directly to the adjutant general for liaison and engagement at all levels of government and with key stakeholders. The GAO serves as the Adjutant General's Department/Ohio National Guard proponent for addressing elected officials' inquiries, managing political communications, and developing policies that enhance the capabilities and capacity of the organization. Through synchronized communications, interactions, engagements, outreach, and dialogue with state/federal officials/legislators and other stakeholders, the GAO shapes awareness and perceptions of the Ohio National Guard and State Defense Force while advocating for legislation (appropriations) beneficial to infrastructure, force structure, equipment, and resources. Other key GAO responsibilities include legislative initiatives that are monitored by the Office of the Legislative Liaison, which tracks constituent inquiries as well as state and federal legislation. These were significant bills signed into state law and resolutions adopted by the Ohio Legislature:

OHIO HOUSE BILL 338Revise motorcycle safety and education program

Effective 8/31/2022: This makes changes to the laws related to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, regional transit authorities, toll violations between states, the financial contracting authority of the Director of Transportation for purposes of the Brent Spence Bridge Project, and to make an appropriation to fund these changes. It specifically affects Ohio National Guard members and other former or current military service members in that it waives the CDL knowledge test, as well as the fee for select military experience compatible with training to earn those credentials. This continues to support Adjutant General's Department initiatives to expand the Ohio National Guard Scholarship Program to include certificates, trades, and licensure.

OHIO HOUSE RESOLUTION 382Observe November as Military Family Month

Adopted 12/13/2022: To observe the month of November as Military Family Month in the state of Ohio. In addition, a substitute bill was accepted that corrects the number of active-duty (7,000) and total National Guard and Reserve members (27,000) in Ohio.

OHIO HOUSE BILL 33State Operating Budget for SFY 2024-25

Effective 7/4/2023: The overall state budget includes the General Revenue Fund allocation and other resources for the Adjutant General's Department to operate in the next two fiscal years. This budget includes \$500,000 per year for the department to establish a "Bucks for Buckeyes" referral incentive program, to support recruiting and accession efforts for the Ohio Army and Air National Guard. Funds are specifically tied to compensating individuals who assist in the enlistment of a Soldier or Airman into the Ohio National Guard or have identified an innovative approach or concept that supports recruiting efforts.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS



MEDIA RELATIONS

The Ohio National Guard Public Affairs office works with media to answer questions, promote Guard events, and give reporters access to the Ohio National Guard, its mission, and the individuals who serve this state and nation. In SFY22, the Public Affairs office responded to 50 media inquiries, assisted with one special event, four call to duty ceremonies and one facility opening.

ONLINE PRESENCE

The Ohio National Guard utilizes five major social media platforms and email for outreach and education.

A robust website keeps the public, as well as our Soldiers and Airmen, updated on Ohio National Guard activities.

The Buckeye Guard online publication is published quarterly.

Social Media Platforms

Facebook	
Instagram	
LinkedIN	4,280 followers
Twitter	
YouTube	

ONG.Ohio.gov website

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Audience	96,389 users
Pageviews	196,211
	18
	28



Buckeye Guard streamlined in 2023; video newscast garners prestigious award

Premiering as a magazine in 1976, the Buckeye Guard is currently produced as both an online publication and companion video newscast, with content for the two formats combined at the beginning of 2023 to better synchronize news delivery and messaging. Individual newscast segments are featured as the core content of each online publication, which also includes unique historical content, news stories and photos. Episodes of the newscast are shown on the Ohio Channel. The September 2022 episode of the video newscast won first place in the Department of Defense Media Merit Awards competition, in the long-form video category.

OHIO ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

COMPRISES SIX MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS

The Army National Guard provides infantry, armor, artillery, engineering, transportation, water purification, air defense, cyber, logistics, administrative, medical support, and command personnel who have the training and equipment to perform its federal warfighting mission, as well as its state mission to support local authorities during domestic emergencies.

The state's 120 Army Guard units occupy 42 training sites/areas and readiness centers

throughout 36 Ohio counties.





ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL FOR ARMY

Brigadier General Matthew S. Woodruff

The assistant adjutant general for Army is responsible for establishing policies, priorities, and oversight for the readiness of the Ohio Army National Guard in six brigadelevel major subordinate commands.

Brigadier General Thomas E. Moore Retired from position in January 2023



STATE COMMAND CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Richard W. Kerwood

The state command chief warrant officer provides direction, guidance, resources, assistance, and supervision of the Ohio Army National Guard Warrant Officer Cohort, overseeing warrant officer leader development and mentorship while providing essential advice to the assistant adjutant general on warrant officer issues.



STATE COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR

Command Sergeant Major William A. Workley

The state command sergeant major serves as the principal enlisted advisor to the assistant adjutant general for Army. He observes training and all matters concerning the enlisted members of the Ohio Army National Guard and their Families.

Command Sergeant Major Sheldon Chambliss Retired from position in June 2023

TOTAL AUTHORIZED STRENGTH	10,412
16TH ENGINEER BRIGADE	1,557
37TH INFANTRY BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM	3,270
73RD TROOP COMMAND	1,913
174TH AIR DEFENSE ARTILLERY BRIGADE	947
371ST SUSTAINMENT BRIGADE	1,865
SPECIAL TROOPS COMMAND (Provisional)	860

RECRUITING & RETENTION

ENLISTMENTS	705
RETAINED/EXTENDED	850
RETIRED/SEPARATED	1.059

Numbers as of Sept. 30, 2022



16TH



Authorized Strength: 1,557 Colonel John C. Detling Command Sergeant Major Abraham E. Johnson Jr.

Blast, Build, Battle

The 16th Engineer Brigade provides command and control of three mission-tailored assigned subordinate battalions. It plans, coordinates, directs, and conducts mobility, countermobility, and survivability tasks, and provides support to general engineering missions (structural, horizontal, and vertical engineering) during federal mobilizations. The organization can provide civil engineering, construction design, and heavy construction assets across the spectrum of homeland security and homeland defense missions, to include responding to natural/man-made disasters. Subordinate units can provide search and extraction and decontamination capabilities in the event of a state/domestic emergency.

FORCE STRUCTURE

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 16th Engineer Brigade

· 204th Engineer Detachment

216th Engineer Battalion

- · Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 216th Engineer Battalion
- Support Company, 216th Engineer Battalion
- 811th Engineer Company
- 1137th Signal Company
- 1191st Engineer Company
- 1194th Engineer Company

112th Engineer Battalion

- · Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 112th Engineer Battalion
- Support Čompany, 112th Engineer Battalion
- 291st Engineer Detachment
- 292nd Engineer Detachment
- 295th Engineer Detachment
- · 296th Engineer Detachment
- · 812th Engineer Company
- · 945th Engineer Company
- 1192nd Engineer Company
- 5694th Engineer Detachment

5th Battalion, 54th Security Force Assistance Regiment

- Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 5th Battalion,
- 54th Security Force Assistance Regiment
- Company A, 5th Battalion, 54th Security Force Assistance Regiment
- · Company B, 5th Battalion, 54th Security Force Assistance Regiment
 Company C, 5th Battalion,
 54th Security Force Assistance Regiment

Company D, 5th Battalion, 54th Security Force Assistance Regiment

INFANTRY BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM



No Time for Glory

The 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team provides command and control of assigned subordinate battalions, companies/troops/batteries, and detachments. As a maneuver brigade it is able to conduct combat operations worldwide with a focus on security and lethality. The organization is postured to provide security, logistics, planning, and sustainment capabilities and assets across the spectrum of homeland security and homeland defense missions, to include responding to natural/man-made disasters.

Authorized Strength: 1.913 Colonel Kevin Lochtefeld Command Sergeant Major William Adams

Anytime, Anywhere, No Notice

The 73rd Troop Command provides command and control of assigned subordinate battalions, companies, and detachments. As a troop command, it provides a broad category of capabilities to include combat-focused elements and those designed specifically for homeland security and homeland defense missions, to include responding to natural/man-made disasters.

FORCE STRUCTURE

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 37th Infantry Brigade Combat Team

Detachment 1, Headquarters and Support Company, Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 38th Infantry Division

1st Battalion, 148th Infantry Regiment

- Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 148th Infantry Regiment
- Company A, 1st Battalion, 148th Infantry Regiment
 Company B, 1st Battalion, 148th Infantry Regiment

- Company C, 1st Battalion, 148th Infantry Regiment
 Company D, 1st Battalion, 148th Infantry Regiment

1st Battalion, 134th Field Artillery Regiment

- · Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 134th Field Artillery Regiment
- · Battery A, 1st Battalion, 134th Field Artillery Regiment
- · Battery B, 1st Battalion, 134th Field Artillery Regiment
- Battery C, 1st Battalion, 134th Field Artillery Regiment

2nd Squadron, 107th Cavalry Regiment

- Headquarters and Headquarters Troop, 2nd Squadron,107th Cavalry Regiment
- Troop A, 2nd Squadron, 107th Cavalry Regiment
- Troop B, 2nd Squadron, 107th Cavalry Regiment
 Troop C, 2nd Squadron, 107th Cavalry Regiment

837th Engineer Battalion

- Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 837th Engineer Battalion
- Company A, 837th Engineer Battalion
- Company B, 837th Engineer Battalion
 Company C, 837th Engineer Battalion

237th Support Battalion

- · Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 237th Support Battalion
- Company A, 237th Support Battalion
- · Company B, 237th Support Battalion
- Company C, 237th Support Battalion
- Company D, 237th Support Battalion
- Company E, 237th Support Battalion
 Company F, 237th Support Battalion
- · Company G, 237th Support Battalion

1st Battalion, 145th Armored Regiment

- · Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 145th Armored Regiment
- Company A, 1st Battalion, 145th Armored Regiment
 Company B, 1st Battalion, 145th Armored Regiment
 Company C, 1st Battalion, 145th Armored Regiment
 Company H, 134th Support Battalion

- Detachment 2, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 125th Field Artillery Regiment

FORCE STRUCTURE

73rd Troop Command

- 52nd Civil Support Team
- Company B, 2nd Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group

155th Chemical Battalion

- · Headquarters and Headquarters Detatchment, 155th Chemical Battalion
- United States Army Cyber Protection Team 172 (-Detatchment 1)
- 173rd Chemical Detachment
- · 637th Chemical Company

437th Military Police Battalion

- · Headquarters and Headquarters Detatchment, 437th Military Police Battalion
- 135th Military Police Company
- 323rd Military Police Company
- 324th Military Police Company
 838th Military Police Company

1st Battalion, 137th Aviation Regiment

- · Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 137th Aviation Regiment
- Company A, 1st Battalion, 137th Aviation Regiment
- Company B, 1st Battalion, 137th Aviation Regiment
- Company D (-Detatchment 1), 1st Battalion, 137th Aviation Regiment
- Company E (-Detatchment 1), 1st Battalion, 137th Aviation Regiment
- Detachment 2,
- Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment
- Company B (-Detachment 1), 3rd Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment
- Detachment 2, Company C,
- 3rd Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment · Detachment 2, Company D,
- 3rd Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment Detachment 2, Company E,
- 3rd Battalion, 238th Aviation Regiment
- Detachment 1, Company D, 1st Battalion, 376th Aviation Regiment Company B (- Detachment 1),
- 638th Support Battalion Detachment 2, Company A, 2nd Battalion, 641st Aviation Regiment
- Detachment 21 Operational Support Airlift Command

174TH **AIR DEFENSE** ARTILLERY BRIGADE



Authorized Strength: 947 Colonel Grady Marcum Colonel Gregory Rogers (Through May 2023) Command Sergeant Major Shelley Kolb

Anytime, Anywhere

The 174th Air Defense Artillery Brigade provides command and control of assigned subordinate battalions and batteries. As an air defense brigade. it provides critical strategic and operational protection against adversary missile and aircraft threats in combat and noncombat operations worldwide. The organization is routinely part of the air defense of the National Capital Region in Washington, D.C., and has deployed extensively in support of NATO. The organization is postured to support a broad array of homeland security and homeland defense missions to include responding to natural/man-made disasters.

FORCE STRUCTURE

Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 174th Air Defense Artillery Brigade 1st Battalion,

174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment

- Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment
- Battery A, 1st Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment
- · Battery B, 1st Battalion,
- 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment
- · Battery C, 1st Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment
- Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment

2nd Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment

- · Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2nd Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment
- · Battery A, 2nd Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment
- Battery B, 2nd Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment
- · Battery C, 2nd Battalion,
- 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment
- Service Battery, 2nd Battalion, 174th Air Defense Artillery Regiment

Authorized Strength: 1,865 Colonel Michael Burgett Command Sergeant Major Michael Hay

Sustainment Warriors

The 371st Sustainment Brigade provides command and control of assigned subordinate battalions, companies, and detachments. As a sustainment brigade it provides essential support to combat forces including transportation, maintenance, and signal assets. The organization fulfills key logistics functions in combat or homeland security and homeland defense missions. When deployed, the 371st synchronizes current and future sustainment operations at the Expeditionary Sustainment Command and Theater Sustainment Command levels.

FORCE STRUCTURE

371st Special Troops Battalion

- Headquarters and Special Troops Battalion, 371st Sustainment Brigade
- 137th Signal Company
- 211th Maintenance Company
- 212th Maintenance Company

112th Transportation Battalion

- Headquarters and Headquarters Detatchment, 112th Transportation Battalion
- 1482nd Transportation Company
- 1483rd Transportation Company
- 1484th Transportation Company
- 1485th Transportation Company
- 1486th Transportation Company
- 1487th Transportation Company

112th Medical Battalion*

- Headquarters and Headquarters Detatchment, 112th Medical Battalion
- 285th Medical Company
- · 684th Medical Company

SPECIAL TROOPS COMMAND (PROVISIONAL)



Authorized Strength: 860

Brigadier General Stephen Rhoades Command Sergeant Major Scott Barga

Provide Ready Soldiers When Called

Special Troops Command (STC) provides the command element for the Ohio Army National Guard (OHARNG), while supporting OHARNG units in the areas of administration, sustainment, and training center management. In addition to providing the Army element to the Joint Force Headquarters, the STC operates the OHARNG's training sites and regional training institute, offering Ohio Soldiers and those from other states resident instruction encompassing leadership development, professional development, and military job training. The STC is also responsible for recruiting and retaining OHARNG members through the Recruiting and Retention Battalion.

FORCE STRUCTURE

ARNG Staff Element,

Joint Force Headquarters Ohio

- 571st Judge Advocate General Detachment
- 671st Judge Advocate General Detachment
- 1937th Support Detachment
- OHARNG Training Center, Camp Garfield
- OHARNG Training Center, Camp Perry
- OHARNG Training Center, Camp Sherman

OHARNG Recruiting and Retention Battalion OHARNG Medical Readiness Detachment

147th Regiment (Regional Training Institute)

- 1st Battalion, 147th Regiment (Regional Training Institute)
- 2nd Battalion, 147th Regiment (Regional Training Institute)
- 122nd Army Band
- 196th Public Affairs Detachment (Mobile)

KEY

All Ohio Army National Guard organizations/units have an established size determined by force structure (authorized positions by rank; each are identified by a specific category, function, and qualification). A unit's authorized strength is determined by the Department of the Army. In some instances, units can exceed their authorized strength.

ORGANIZATION GENERAL AUTHORIZATION

Brigade or 1.000 to 3.500 Soldiers:

Major Subordinate Command Commands 1 to 5 subordinate battalions

Battalion or Squadron 300 to 1,500 Soldiers;

> Commands 1 to 7 subordinate companies/troops/batteries

Company, Troop 80-200 Soldiers:

Commands 2-4 platoons **Battery**

Detachment An element typically with less Soldiers

than a company/troop/battery

Headquarters Administrative proponent for the organization

^{*} Officially activates Sept. 1, 2023 285th & 684th Medical Companies moved from 371st Sustainment Brigade

OHIO AIR NATIONAL GUARD

COMPRISES FOUR WINGS

The Ohio Air National Guard's four wings deploy worldwide to fulfill aerial refueling missions, air transport, communications, engineering, and security requirements. In addition to the four flying units, there are subordinate geographically separated units in the state. Ohio's Air Guard units are dispersed in seven geographic locations — Columbus, Toledo, Springfield, Cincinnati, Mansfield, Zanesville, and Port Clinton.

TOTAL AUTHORIZED STRENGTH	4,730
AIR NATIONAL GUARD HEADQUARTERS	32
121ST AIR REFUELING WING	1,005
220th Engineering Installation Squadron	
178TH WING	1,327
251st Cyber Engineering Installation Group	
179TH CYBERSPACE WING	. *1,210+
200th Red Horse Squadron	
180TH FIGHTER WING	1,011

RECRUITING & RETENTION

NEW ENLISTMENTS	325
RETAINED/EXTENDED	319
RETIRED/SEPARATED	527

^{*} Based on authorized strength of 800 minimum for 179th CW during transition.

Numbers as of Sept. 30, 2022







COMMANDER, OHIO AIR NATIONAL GUARD

Major General James R. Camp

The commander of the Ohio Air National Guard is responsible to the adjutant general for directing Air National Guard operations and establishing policy to ensure the mission readiness of nearly 5,000 personnel in four flying wings and support units.



ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GENERAL FOR AIR

Brigadier General David B. Johnson

The assistant adjutant general for Air is responsible for directing the Ohio Air National Guard's day-to-day operations and administration and helping establish policy to ensure mission readiness of four wings and support units.

Major General James R. Camp Moved from position in January 2023



STATE COMMAND CHIEF MASTER SERGEANT

Chief Master Sergeant Troy R. Taylor

The state command chief master sergeant advises senior Ohio Air National Guard leadership, on matters influencing the health, morale, and welfare of the organization's assigned enlisted Airmen and their Families.

Chief Master Sgt. Heidi Bunker Retired from position in September 2022

121ST AIR REFUELING WING

Authorized Strength: 1,005
Colonel Scott Lerdon

Chief Master Sergeant Michael D. Dumas Chief Master Sergeant Troy Taylor (*Through Sept. 2022*)

All Things At All Times

The 121st Air Refueling Wing, located at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base in Columbus, Ohio, operates the KC-135 Stratotanker refueling aircraft. The 121 ARW continuously delivers worldwide air-to-air refueling, combat support, and domestic disaster response. The wing also provides critical components to the Ohio National Guard Homeland Response Force, which supports FEMA Region 5 with its medical detachment, and fatality search and recovery team. The unit provides administrative and other support to the 220th Engineering Installation Squadron in Zanesville, Ohio; and Headquarters, Ohio Air National Guard, located at Joint Force Headquarters-Ohio in Columbus.

178TH WING

Authorized Strength: 1,327
Colonel Kent A. Kazmaier
Colonel Dominic Fago (Through April 2023)
Chief Master Sergeant Jacquita F. Melton
Chief Master Sergeant Scott Ross (Through Dec. 2022)

The 178th Wing, located at Springfield-Beckley Air National Guard Base in Springfield, Ohio, operates the MQ-9 Reaper remotely piloted aircraft. The 178th Wing stays on the cutting edge of modern warfare by providing ready units to conduct intelligence, surveillance, reconnaissance, and operation support missions. The unit provides administrative and other support to the 251st Cyberspace Engineering Installation Group in Springfield.

FORCE STRUCTURE

- 121st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron
- · 121st Civil Engineer Squadron
- 121st Communications Flight
- 121st Comptroller Flight
- 121st Force Support Squadron
- 121st Logistics Readiness Squadron
- 121st Maintenance Group
- · 121st Maintenance Operations Flight
- 121st Maintenance Squadron
- · 121st Medical Group
- 121st Medical Group Detatchment 1
- 121st Mission Support Group
- 121st Operations Group
- 121st Operations Support Squadron
- 121st Security Forces Squadron
- · 164th Weather Flight
- · 166th Air Refueling Squadron

220TH ENGINEERING INSTALLATION SQUADRON

The 220th Engineering and Installation Squadron commands, organizes, equips, trains, and administers assigned expeditionary cyberspace engineering installation and combat communication forces in support of state and federal emergencies and contingency operations.

FORCE STRUCTURE

- 123rd Air Control Squadron
- 124th Intelligence Squadron
- 125th Intelligence Squadron
- 126th Intelligence Squadron
- 127th Intelligence Squadron
- 162nd Attack Squadron
- 178th Civil Engineer Squadron
- 178th Communications Flight
- 178th Comptroller Flight
- 178th Force Support Squadron
- 178th Intel/Surveil/Recon Group
- · 178th Logistics Readiness Squadron
- 178th Medical Group
- 178th Mission Support Group
- 178th Operations Group
- 178th Operations Support Squadron
- 178th Security Forces Squadron

251ST CYBERSPACE ENGINEERING INSTALLATION GROUP

The 251st Cyberspace Engineering Installation Group commands, organizes, equips, and trains personnel to ensure complete mission readiness in support of emergency U.S. Air Force requirements and provides timely and reliable combat communications services in support of state emergencies. The 251st CEIG also provides expeditionary cyber services tactically, in a joint environment.

· 269th Combat Communications Squadron

KEY All Ohio Air National Guard organizations/units have an established size determined by force structure (authorized positions by rank; each are identified by a specific category, function, and qualification). A unit's authorized strength is determined by the Department of the Air Force. In some instances, units can exceed their authorized strength.

ORGANIZATION GENERAL AUTHORIZATION

Wing 900-1,200 Airmen; has a distinct mission with a specific scope, made up of one or more groups, consisting

of several squadrons

Group 400-900 Airmen; consists of two or more squadrons

Squadron Several dozen up to several hundred Airmen; considered the basic unit in the Air Force/Air National Guard;

consists of 2-6 flights

Flight About 12 to over 100 Airmen

Detachment An element typically with less Airmen than a squadron,

with the same mission capabilities as its parent squadron

Geographically A base physically separate from, yet not autonomous of its "parent" base.

Separated Unit GSUs are "owned" by their parent organization and have a small amount of personnel

Headquarters Administrative proponent for the organization

179TH CYBERSPACE WING

Authorized Strength: *1,210+ Colonel Darren E. Hamilton Chief Master Sergeant Edward N. Taylor III

The 179th Cyberspace Wing, located at Mansfield Lahm Air National Guard Base in Mansfield, Ohio, has been selected to be the nation's first Air National Guard cyberspace wing. The 179th AW's primary mission for the previous nearly 50 years was military cargo airlift, until the divestiture of its C-130 aircraft in the summer of 2022 in conjunction with its conversion to a cyberspace wing. The unit transformation will challenge and shape its capabilities and Airmen as it evolves to meet its new tasking. The organizational focus will be to take care of Airmen — through training, equipping, and leading — to meet the unit's Initial Operating Capability requirement in 2025 and Full Operational Capability in 2027. The 179th CW's infrastructure will be transformed to support secure communications facilities, additional power needs, and other requirements. The new mission will provide cyberenabled capabilities supporting tactical needs in air superiority and information warfare, which will provide a competitive advantage in combat performance and survivability in joint force operations. The unit provides administrative and other support to the 200th RED HORSE (Rapid Engineer Deployable Heavy Operational Repair Squadron Engineers) in Port Clinton, Ohio.

FORCE STRUCTURE

- · 164th Airlift Squadron
- · 179th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron
- · 179th Civil Engineer Squadron
- · 179th Communications Flight
- · 179th Comptroller Flight
- · 179th Force Support Squadron
- · 179th Logistics Readiness Squadron
- · 179th Maintenance Group
- · 179th Maintenance Operations Flight
- 179th Maintenance Squadron
- · 179th Medical Group
- 179th Mission Support Group
- · 179th Operations Group
- · 179th Operations Support Squadron
- 179th Security Forces Squadron

200™ RED HORSE

The 200th RED HORSE (Rapid Engineer Deployable Heavy Operational Repair Squadron Engineers), located at Camp Perry Joint Training Site in Port Clinton, Ohio — and the 200th RED HORSE Detachment 1, located in Mansfield, Ohio — provides engineering, construction, and logistics capability, during peacetime or combat, anywhere in the world, to achieve state and federal priorities.

180TH FIGHTER WING

Authorized Strength: 1,011
Colonel Chad E. Holesko
Chief Master Sergeant Daniel Baumert



The 180th Fighter Wing, located at Toledo Air National Guard Base in Swanton, Ohio, operates the F-16 Fighting Falcon jet aircraft. The 180th FW trains, organizes, and equips expeditionary war fighters to deploy, fight, and win worldwide, with minimum response time, in cases of national emergency or war. The 180th FW provides for America; protection of the homeland, effective combat power, and defense support to civil authorities. The 180th FW has access to multiple military operating airspaces and air-to-ground gunnery ranges perfectly suited for the capabilities of the F-16. Centrally located with access to three major military operations area (MOA) airspace complexes, the 180th FW regularly uses the Buckeye and Brush Creek MOA airspaces in southern Ohio, the Alpena MOA airspace complex in northern Michigan, and the Indiana Air Range Complex MOA in southeast Indiana. To stay ready and razor sharp in the execution of its 24/7 aerospace control alert mission, the 180th FW conducts monthly training exercises in the surrounding national airspace regions to enhance command and control, and air traffic control integration with fighter escort for its alert intercept mission.

FORCE STRUCTURE

- · 112th Fighter Squadron
- 180th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron
- 180th Civil Engineer Squadron
- 180th Communications Flight
- 180th Comptroller Flight
- 180th Force Support Squadron
- 180th Logistics Readiness Squadron
- 180th Maintenance Group
- 180th Maintenance Operations Flight
- 180th Maintenance Squadron
- 180th Medical Group
- 180th Mission Support Group
- 180th Operations Group
- 180th Operations Support Squadron
- 180th Security Forces Squadron

^{* 179}th currently has an authorized strength of 800+ during transition.

STATE DEFENSE FORCE

The State Defense Force (SDF) comprises the Ohio Military Reserve, Ohio Naval Militia, and the Ohio Cyber Reserve. As integral parts of the Adjutant General's Department, these organizations have specific roles that enhance the capabilities of the Ohio National Guard and provide additional civil-military expertise and functionality. The SDF has an exclusive focus on protecting the state. Elements of the SDF share similarities, with regard to rank and organization (Ohio Military Reserve and U.S. Army; Ohio Naval Militia and U.S. Navy), but are not part of the federally funded Reserve Components, like the Army and Air National Guard.

TOTAL STRENGTH	391
HEADQUARTERS, STATE DEFENSE FORCE	31
OHIO CYBER RESERVE	122
OHIO MILITARY RESERVE	190
OHIO NAVAL MILITIA	48

HEADQUARTERS, SDF-OHIO



COMMANDER

Brigadier General (Ohio) Larry Pinkerton

The State Defense Force (SDF) is commanded by a brigadier general (non-federally recognized) who reports directly to the adjutant general and maintains a staff of about 30 personnel. The SDF was a significant part of the state of Ohio's COVID-19 response, supporting distribution missions in addition to augmenting staffing at multiple state agencies.



Ohio Naval Militia helps keep boaters safe on Lake Erie

Members of the Ohio Naval Militia are tasked with patrolling the waters around Camp Perry to ensure civilian boaters are safely out of range during military weapons training.

OHIO CYBER RESERVE



PROGRAM MANAGER

Craig W. Baker

Organized in 2020, the Ohio Cyber Reserve (OhCR) comprises civilian cyber professionals from academia and private/public enterprise.

These volunteers form regional OhCR teams that are available for the governor to assist eligible municipalities, state agencies, and other governmental entities with cybersecurity vulnerabilities and provide recommendations to reduce cyber threats. OhCR volunteers provide workforce development to train the cyber talent of the future and assist STEM teachers by providing mentors for high school cvber clubs. OhCR members are true volunteers; they are not compensated for their training or service, unless activated by the governor to perform state active duty.

The OhCR is one of only a few cyber preparedness and response elements, nationwide, established at the state level under an organized militia. The passage of Ohio House Bill 52 in October 2019 authorized the establishment of the OhCR under the SDF and Adjutant General's Department.

OHIO MILITARY RESERVE



COMMANDER

Colonel (Ohio) Deano McNeal

Established in 1949, the Ohio Military Reserve (OHMR) is a key part of the Adjutant General's Department.

The OHMR is focused on providing capabilities related to **Emergency Support Functions 6** (Mass Care) and 7 (Logistics and Resource Management) under the Federal Emergency Management (FEMA) Incident Command structure. The OHMR also recently gained drone/remotely piloted aircraft capabilities to support its assigned state missions. Organized similar to an Army brigade, the OHMR has the requisite training, administrative, operational, and sustainment capacity to respond to state-level emergencies.

The OHMR is not compensated for their training; they are compensated during state active duty missions and paid according to their military rank/pay grade.

OHIO NAVAL MILITIA



COMMANDANT

Captain (Ohio) Bethany Carpenter

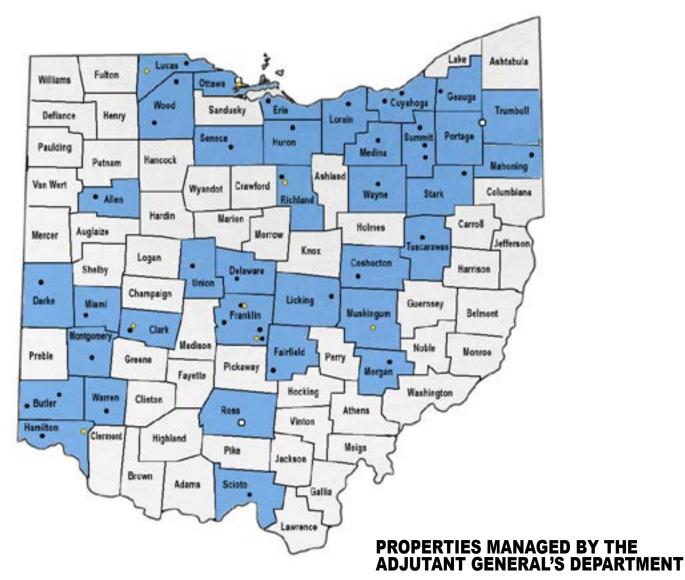
The Ohio Naval Militia (ONM) is an organized, all-volunteer unit that has been serving the state of Ohio since 1896.

The ONM's primary mission is to provide safety and site security support to the weapons ranges at Camp Perry Joint Training Center, just outside Port Clinton, Ohio, on the shores Lake Erie. Like other SDF components, members of the ONM are not compensated for their training or service unless performing state active duty missions. ONM members conduct extensive monthly training. Classroom training includes GPS, radar, radio communications. CPR/AED and first responder first aid. Members who are certified through the Ohio Department of Natural Resources volunteer their time to conduct the Ohio Boater Education Course.









Acreage: State-Owned	1,145	AC
Acreage: Federally Licensed to State	23,503	AC
Square Footage: State-Owned	2,583,475	SF
Square Footage: Federally Licensed to State	3,924,622	SF

OHIO ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

READINESS CENTERS

•		/	
33	Facilities	(State-Owned) 491	AC
6	Facilities	(Federally Licensed to State) 631	AC
0	TRAINING SIT	TES/AREAS	
	Camp Perry	(State-Owned) 519	AC
	Camp Garfield	(Federally Licensed to State) 21,683	AC
	Camp Sherman	(Federally Licensed to State) 463	AC.

OHIO AIR NATIONAL GUARD

ACREA	GE 🤇	WINGS			ACREA	\GE
491	AC	Mansfield	(Federally Licensed to State)		289.00	AC
631		Rickenbacker	(Federally Licensed to State)		168.00	AC
		Springfield	(Federally Licensed to State)		180.00	AC
		Toledo	(State-Owned)		135.00	AC
519	AC	GEOGRAPH	IICALLY SEPARATED UNI	ITS		
21,683	AC	Blue Ash	(Federally Licensed to State)		12.00	AC
463	AC	Port Clinton	(Federally Licensed to State)		64.30	AC
		Zanesville	(Federally Licensed to State)		. 13.00	AC

ASSISTANT QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

The assistant quartermaster general manages state property and resources through the Directorate of Installation Management and Resources (DIMR), which oversees energy and environment, state finance, state contracting, planning and programming, resource management, state inventory and business services, geospatial information services, electronic security systems, and property management.

The Adjutant General's Department is focused on providing and maintaining facilities to support the needs of the state's military structure. The DIMR is responsible for the acquisition, inventory, maintenance and repair, and management of all state-owned and -operated real and personal property of the Adjutant General's Department, Ohio Air and Army National Guard, and the State Defense Force.

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

The Ohio National Guard is a leader in the deployment of environmentally responsible behaviors and technologies using renewable energy sources to provide electric power for facilities, with the goal to reduce the quantity of electric consumption, demand charges, and harmful emissions.

The Ohio National Guard and Adjutant General's Department continue efforts to meet mandated energy conservation goals by pursuing alternative energy sources, such as wind and solar, to reduce overall consumption as well as the resulting carbon footprint.

During the last decade, reduction of energy consumption and conservation of natural resources have been a major focus, aided by successfully implementing several energy reduction initiatives.

In SFY23, environmental initiatives included:

Completed 2023
Completed 2023
Completed 2023
n 2023-24 through these initiatives:
1 of 3 Completed, 2 In-progress
5 of 6 Completed, 1 In-progress
3 of 6 Completed, 3 In-progress
In-progress

FUNDING

The National Guard Bureau, through the United States Property and Fiscal Office (USPFO) for Ohio, serves as administrator of funds appropriated by Congress for each federal fiscal year and apportions the funds to the states and territories in support of the National Guard. During FFY22, which ran from Oct. 1, 2021, to Sept. 30, 2022, Ohio's allotment of \$601,855,847 in federal funds was authorized and expended as noted in the table.

OHIO AIR NATIONAL GUARD

Total Federal Appropriations	\$ 328,688,466
Active Guard Reserve Pay	\$ 76,459,444
Air Combat Command (ACC) Operation and Maintenance	\$ 82,940
Air Mobility Command (AMC) Operation and Maintenance	\$ 134,983
Full-time Technician Pay	\$ 73,119,850
Military and Personnel	\$ 2,118,966
Military Construction	\$ 9,057,300
Operation and Maintenance	\$ 55,485,136
Traditional Guard Pay	\$ 112,229,847

OHIO ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

Total Federal Appropriations	273,167,379
Active Duty Operational Support\$	2,037,515
Active Guard Reserve Pay	3107,861,639
Annual Training	3 14,436,600
Aviation Training and Support	3,219,800
Counter Narcotics Program	2,765,000
Equal Opportunity/Diversity/Safety\$	5,000
Family Assistance	2,043,980
Full-Time Technician Pay	68,275,100
General Services Administration	835,456
Medical Care, Hospitalization\$ and Incap Pay	5 503,819
Real Property Operations	9,870,700
Recruiting Activities	2,205,855
Service Schools	7,774,200
Sexual Harassment Assault Sexual Harassment Assault	162,300
Special Training	5,588,000
Subsistence	
Traditional Guard Pay	3 41,888,300

The Ohio National Guard awarded \$23.5M in federal contracts to small businesses in FFY22.

BREAK OUT BY BASE

Rickenbacker - 121st\$Active Guard Reserve Pay\$Full-time Technician Pay\$Operation and Maintenance\$Traditional Guard Pay\$	85,899,487 22,180,179 17,963,400 10,129,200 35,626,708
Mansfield - 179th	99,706,792 16,462,686 82,940 134,983 16,459,135 2,118,965 8,021,500 29,555,235 26,871,348
Springfield - 178th\$ Active Guard Reserve Pay\$ Full-time Technician Pay\$ Operation and Maintenance\$ Traditional Guard Pay\$ Toledo - 180th\$	68,806,087 13,085,680 17,800,316 5,189,200 32,730,891 74,276,100
Active Guard Reserve Pay \$ Full-time Technician Pay \$ Military Construction \$ Operation and Maintenance \$ Traditional Guard Pay \$	24,730,900 20,897,000 1,035,800 10,611,500 17,000,900

MILCON/SRM

This chart outlines FFY22 appropriations for new military construction (MILCON) projects as well as facilities Sustainment, Restoration, and Modernization (SRM) program funds for existing structures, for Ohio Army and Air National Guard facilities, broken down by installation.

OHIO ARMY NATIONAL GUARD \$ 9	4,570,684	OHIO AIR NATIONAL GUARD	\$	96,636,178
MILCON\$	65,925,191	MANSFIELD LAHM	\$	26,552,826
Camp James A. Garfield Joint Military Training		MILCON		, ,
• Multi Purpose Machine Gun Range \$		Construct Fire Station Building 911	\$	10 878 726
Maintenance Shop\$	317,780	Corrosion Control Building 403		
Construction Building 813\$	6,000,000	SRM	Ψ	2,002,000
Camp Perry Readiness Center\$	25,600,000	Cyber Allied Support Building 409	Ф	3,100,000
Lima Readiness Center\$		Cyber Operations Building B102 (DESIGN)	φ	6,548,000
Rickenbacker Readiness Center\$	1,277,725	Cyber Repair Building 403 (DESIGN)		300,000
SRM\$	20 645 402	Emergency Repair Building 414		450,000
Army Aviation Support Facility Building 1 \$	362,576	Facility Maintenance & Repair		512,000
Fire Pump House & System Repair	302,370	Repair Roof Hangar Building 409	ψ	1,533,000
Boiling Green HVAC Chiller Replacement \$	290,240	Selective Demolition Building 409	\$	729,100
	•	Ociconive Bemonton Bunding 400	Ψ	720,100
Camp James A.Garfield Joint Military Training				
Culvert Repair \$ Dining Facility Conversion \$	510,000 210,000	RICKENBACKER	\$	46,930,000
Dining Facility Conversion	•	MILCON		
Dining Facility Kitchen\$ Paying	168,010 939,509	Small Arms Range	\$	8,700,000
• Paving\$	982,370	SRM		
• Fencing 2022 \$ • Demolition \$	923,485	Airfield Lighting (DESIGN)	\$	430,000
Water Distribution\$	1,717,700	Facility Maintenance & Répair		700,000
• Environmental Building\$	1,717,700	Hangar Renovation Building 885		14,000,000
Building 1034 Renovation\$	250,000	Hangar Repair Building 888		
Ammunition Supply Point Bunker Repair \$	108,185	Renovate Building 1	\$	8,600,000
• Storm Water\$	896,300	-		
Camp Perry Joint Training Center	030,000	SPRINGFIELD-BECKLEY	¢	11 017 852
Building 3300 Renovation\$	484,065	MILCON	Ψ	11,017,032
• Flood Damage Repair\$	117,113	_	Φ	4 700 000
Historical Lighting Renovation\$	252,977	Construct Micro-Grid (ERCIP)	Φ	4,700,000
Rodriguez Range Electrical Repair\$	104,236	SRM		
Hamilton – Field Maintenance Shop 11 \$	159,444	Add/Alter Building 151/119		4,300,000
Vehicle Exhaust System	·	Facility Maintenance & Repair		392,000
Kettering Renovation\$	2,600,000	Repair HVAC Building 146		1,564,089
Lebanon Renovation\$	2,200,000	Storm Damage Repair Building 2	þ	61,763
MG Robert S. Beightler Armory				
Basement Remodel\$	500,000	TOLEDO	\$	1,873,000
• HVAC\$	1,318,000	SRM		
Mansfield Paving Repair\$	337,975	Construction - Vehicle Service Bay	\$	951,000
McConnelsville HVAC\$	1,755,000	Facility Maintenance & Repair		534,000
McConnelsville Paving\$	650,928	Repair Aircraft Parking Apron Lights		388,000
Medina Parking Lot\$	2,039,686			
Middletown Renovation\$	1,528,589	CAMP DEDDY JOINT TRAINING CENTER	¢	40 262 E00
Newark Paving Replacement\$	685,564	CAMP PERRY JOINT TRAINING CENTER	Þ	10,262,500
Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base		MILCON	φ	0.400.000
Sewer Renovation\$	842,900	Logistics Complex	\$	9,100,000
• Building 946 Vehicle Storage Bay\$	824,706	SRM	_	
Toledo Windows And Doors\$	436,860	Facility Maintenance & Repair		152,000
Woodlawn HVAC Chiller Replacement \$	662,275	Renovate Building B116 (DESIGN		60,500
Wooster Renovation\$	2,080,000	Storm Damage Repair Building 126	\$	950,000



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