



OKLAHOMA
NATIONAL GUARD



2019

The Adjutant General's
ANNUAL
REPORT



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MAJOR GENERAL MICHAEL C. THOMPSON, ADJUTANT GENERAL FOR OKLAHOMA

The Oklahoma National Guard (OKNG) has a rich tradition of answering the nation's call at home and abroad in defense of the country and responding in support of our citizens and communities. It is with great pride that I present the Oklahoma National Guard's Report to the governor for 2019. This report provides an overview of what we have accomplished for our state and nation this year.

The Oklahoma National Guard continues to deploy in support of our national objectives. During 2019, we saw numerous deployments in support of real-world and training missions around the world. OKNG Soldiers and Airmen performed missions and training this past year with active-duty and coalition counterparts in South America, the Middle East, Europe, Africa, and the Pacific. The Oklahoma National Guard provided helicopter airlift and air support, military police, air combat support, unmanned aerial systems (UAS), manned intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (ISR), medical, logistics, security forces, and engineering capabilities to the geographic combatant commands.

The Oklahoma National Guard is trained and ready to provide support to communities across this great state rapidly. In 2019, the OKNG Joint Operations Center oversaw 59 state active duty missions in which more than 600 Oklahoma Army and Air National Guard personnel provided support to the citizens of Oklahoma. Support included wildfire suppression, search and recovery efforts, aerial transportation, supply distribution, and security. In addition to state active duty, the OKNG provided aircraft, aviation crew members, and unmanned aerial systems support to the Texas Border Patrol.

The Oklahoma National Guard continues to look toward the future. We remain focused on our efforts to modernize facilities and train on the most modern equipment the Army and Air Force have to offer. This year we completed the construction of a new state-of-the-art Armed Forces Reserve Center (AFRC) in Ardmore, providing more than 83,000 square feet to support the training requirements of the 45th IBCT. This accomplishment is another completed success in our strategic plan to upgrade or replace our aging buildings, vehicles, weapons systems, and infrastructure to meet the challenges of tomorrow.

Most importantly, we will continue to recruit the best and brightest young people Oklahoma has to offer and shape them into the future leaders of our organization.

Please take a few minutes out of your day to review this report, and feel free to contact my office with any comments or concerns you may have.

Always ready. Always there!



Michael C. Thompson
Major General, OKARNG
The Adjutant General

OKLAHOMA NATIONAL GUARD

Serving the State and Nation since 1890

ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

The Army National Guard makes up **33%** of the Army's operating forces. As an operational reserve to the Army, the National Guard fights the nation's wars alongside our active-duty counterparts throughout the world.



AIR NATIONAL GUARD

The Air National Guard operates **21%** of the total Air Force structure. The National Guard protects life and property and preserves peace, order and public safety. These missions are accomplished through emergency relief aid during natural disasters, search and rescue operations, and support to civil authorities.



*"When **called**, we **respond** with **ready** units to **execute** federal, state, and community **missions**."*

COMMANDERS IN CHIEF

The Oklahoma National Guard has two commanders in chief, the Governor of Oklahoma and the President of the United States.

The governor is the commander in chief of the Oklahoma National Guard on a day-to-day basis, during peacetime and state emergencies.

The president becomes the commander in chief when the National Guard is activated for a federal emergency or deployed in support of overseas contingency operations.



Donald J. Trump
President, United States of America

The president can order National Guard personnel to federal active duty during a national emergency and also can mobilize units to support active-duty forces performing Department of Defense missions.



Kevin Stitt
Governor, State of Oklahoma

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

OKLAHOMA

NATIONAL GUARD LEADERSHIP



Major General Michael C. Thompson

The Adjutant General for Oklahoma

The Adjutant General is responsible for the command and control of the Oklahoma Army and Air National Guard, totaling more than 9,000 personnel. The Adjutant General is also responsible for running the day-to-day operations of the Oklahoma Military Department. According to state law, the Adjutant General is subordinate only to the governor and is the principal military adviser. The Adjutant General is responsible for the supervision of the Oklahoma National Guard when in the service of the state at the direction of the governor. The Adjutant General is also responsible for the organization, training, and other activities of the National Guard. As the second-highest commander in the state, the Adjutant General is responsible for carrying into effect the orders of the governor as commander in chief. As the head of the Military Department, the Adjutant General has full control over funds allotted to the National Guard armories. Funds are controlled, deposited, expended, and accounted for at the sole direction of the Adjutant General. The Adjutant General may order any record kept at individual armories audited at his discretion. The Adjutant General is also the trustee of the Military Department and may act as such when accepting funds, land, or property for the National Guard.



**Brigadier General
Jon M. Harrison**

Director, Joint Staff
Oklahoma Army National Guard



**Brigadier General
Thomas H. Mancino**

Assistant Adjutant General
Oklahoma Army National Guard



**Brigadier General
Cynthia K. Tinkham**

Assistant Adjutant General
Oklahoma Army National Guard



**Brigadier General
Brent W. Wright**

Assistant Adjutant General
Oklahoma Air National Guard



**Chief Warrant Officer 5
Christopher A. Rau**

State Command Chief Warrant Officer
Oklahoma Army National Guard



**Command Sergeant Major
Christopher Miller**

State Command Sergeant Major
Oklahoma Army National Guard



**Command Chief Master Sergeant
Anthony R. Potts**

State Command Chief Master Sergeant
Oklahoma Air National Guard

OKLAHOMA

ARMY NATIONAL GUARD



45th INFANTRY BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM (IBCT)

The 45th Infantry Brigade Combat Team is capable of mobilizing ready forces for federal missions, including Unified Land Operations in support of the National Military Strategy and Domestic Operations, including Defense Support to Civil Authorities in response to local, state, and regional emergencies. The 45th IBCT is composed of over 3,500 Citizen-Soldiers assigned to the Brigade Headquarters (Norman) or one of its six different battalions: 1-179th Infantry (Edmond), 1-279th Infantry (Sand Springs), 1-180th Cavalry (McAlester), 1-160th Field Artillery (Chandler), 700th Brigade Support Battalion (Norman), or the 545th Brigade Engineer Battalion (Norman).



CAMP GRUBER TRAINING CENTER (CGTC)

Camp Gruber Training Center is committed to being a premier training center for tactical operations conducted by all Department of Defense military. Camp Gruber dedicates itself to providing state-of-the-art ranges and facilities in support of the Oklahoma Army National Guard. CGTC's mission is to command, operate, manage, and administer the resources of a Level II Training Center to accomplish all assigned missions. CGTC provides year-round customer service through administrative, engineering, logistical, training, and operational support to assigned, attached, transient, or tenant units and joint forces activities for up to and including brigade-sized elements.



45th FIELD ARTILLERY BRIGADE (FAB)

The 45th Field Artillery Brigade provides long-range artillery and coordinates joint fires capabilities in support of corps or division level commanders. In Mustang, headquartered with subordinate units composed of an organic High-Mobility Artillery Rocket System (HIMARS) Battalion, the 1-158th Field Artillery (FA) located at the Fort Sill Armed Forces Reserve Center, Lawton, OK along with its Forward Support Company located in Altus, OK; a support battalion, the 271st Brigade Support Battalion (BSB) located at West OKC AFRC, Mustang, OK, and two separate batteries/companies, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery (HHB), and the 205th Network Signal Company also located at the West OKC AFRC, Mustang, OK.



90th TROOP COMMAND (TC)

The 90th Troop Command provides combat service support to the United States Army for Unified Land Operations, Homeland Defense, Homeland Security, and Civil Support. We are Citizen-Soldiers providing highly skilled professional expertise in support of the community, state, and national missions. The 90th Troop Command is composed of 1,700 Soldiers serving within the 120th Engineer Battalion, 345th Combat Service and Support Battalion, and the 245th Aviation Battalion. The 90th Troop Command is home to the 145th Army Band, 145th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment, Medical Detachment, and the 63rd Civil Support Team.

4 MAJOR
SUBORDINATE
COMMANDS



125 UNITS

OKLAHOMA

AIR NATIONAL GUARD



137th SPECIAL OPERATIONS WING (SOW)

The 137th SOW is a force provider for geographic combatant commanders, special operations command, theater special operations commanders, and task force commanders, providing manned intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance, close air support, agile combat support, cyber, and aeromedical evacuation.

The 137th SOW is one of only two Air National Guard wings in Air Force Special Operations Command. It is the only military entity flying, training, and maintaining the unique capabilities of manned intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance using the MC-12W weapon system. The wing is the only Air National Guard wing designed to deploy continuously for 12 months every year as a High-Intensity Operational Reserve.

137th SPECIAL OPERATIONS WING

137th Special Operations
Comptroller Flight

137th SPECIAL OPERATIONS GROUP

137th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron
137th Special Operations Support Squadron
137th Combat Training Flight
146th Air Support Operations Squadron
185th Special Operations Squadron & MC-12W Formal Training Unit
189th Intelligence Squadron
285th Special Operations Intelligence Squadron

137th SPECIAL OPERATIONS MISSION SUPPORT GROUP

137th Special Operations Civil Engineering Squadron
137th Special Operations Communications Flight
137th Special Operations Force Support Squadron
137th Special Operations Logistics Readiness Squadron
137th Special Operations Security Forces Squadron
205th Engineering Installation Squadron

137th SPECIAL OPERATIONS MEDICAL GROUP



138th FIGHTER WING (FW)

America's premier fighter wing is defending freedom with lethal, agile Combat Air Power; devoted Citizen-Airmen always ready to support the nation, the state of Oklahoma, and our communities with strength and honor.

The 138th Fighter Wing is home to the F-16CM Fighting Falcons, a multi-role combat aircraft capable of delivering precision-guided munitions around the world. The wing provides 24/7 homeland defense through its aerospace control alert detachment in Houston, Texas. The 138th FW works daily to be ready and lethal, living up to its motto of "Strength and Honor". The wing is responsible for organizing, equipping, and training over 1,200 Airmen through effective planning and execution of its annual \$80 million budget.



138th FIGHTER WING

138th Comptroller Flight

138th OPERATIONS GROUP

125th Fighter Squadron
138th Operations Support Squadron
138th Detachment 1, Aerospace Control Alert
125th Weather Flight

138th MISSION SUPPORT GROUP

138th Civil Engineering Squadron
138th Communications Flight
138th Force Support Squadron
138th Logistics Readiness Squadron
138th Security Forces Squadron
138th Contracting Flight
219th Engineering Installation Squadron

138th MAINTENANCE GROUP

138th Maintenance Squadron
138th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron
138th Maintenance Operations Flight

138th MEDICAL GROUP

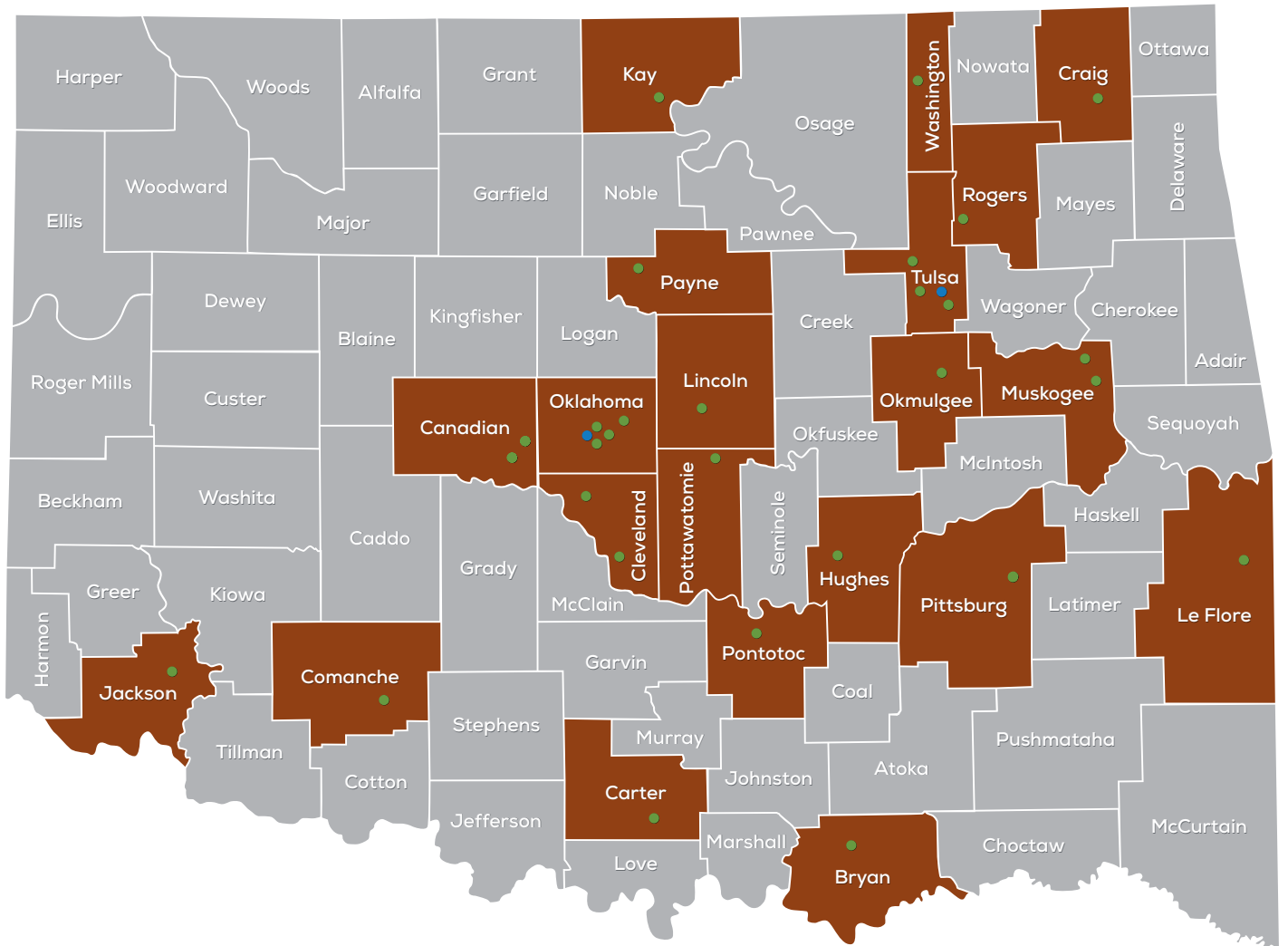
2 WINGS



38 SEPARATE UNITS

OKLAHOMA

NATIONAL GUARD LOCATIONS



**OKNG HAS INSTALLATIONS IN
21 COUNTIES**

**COVERING OVER
34,000 ACRES**

**3.9 MILLION
SQ. FT. IN FACILITIES**

ARMY PROPERTY LOCATED IN 21 COUNTIES

47 INSTALLATIONS	ACRES	#BLDGS	TOTAL SQ. FT.
State-Owned	1,467	180	2,193,774
Federally Licensed to State	63	20	218,253

3 RESERVE LEAD AFRCs	ACRES	#BLDGS	TOTAL SQ. FT.
Fort Sill	34	3	52,461
McAlester Ammunition Depot	15	2	32,440
Vance Air Force Base	16	2	34,907

1 TRAINING CENTER	ACRES	#BLDGS	TOTAL SQ. FT.
Camp Gruber Training Center	33,027	181	626,077



285,370
FEET OF FENCE



ONE DAM
WATER RESERVOIR




ONE
CEMETERY

65 YEARS


OLDEST READINESS CENTER (SHAWNEE)

30 YEARS


AVERAGE READINESS CENTER AGE



2,710,563
SQUARE FEET OF
PAVED AREAS



701,256
LINEAR FEET OF
UTILITIES



9,507
KILOWATTS OF
POWER GENERATION

ARMORY MODERNIZATION

The Ardmore Readiness Center completed construction in Fall 2019. This state-of-the-art facility was constructed for a cost of \$22,000,000 and over 83,000 square feet to support the training requirements of the 45th IBCT. The Ardmore Readiness Center, along with future projects, are helping to replace the aging armory infrastructure and assist in supporting the needs of Citizen-Soldiers of the state of Oklahoma.



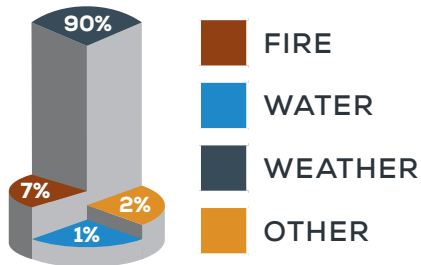
AIR PROPERTY LOCATED IN TWO COUNTIES

WINGS	ACRES	#BLDGS	TOTAL SQ. FT.
137th Will Rogers ANGB	135.13	40	421,400
138th Tulsa ANGB	145	48	396,659

DOMESTIC OPERATIONS

The Director of Military Support (DOMS) works directly with the Oklahoma Department of Emergency

STATE ACTIVE DUTY MISSIONS FY 2019



Management and is responsible for all Oklahoma National Guard domestic operations. In 2019, the OKNG Joint Operations Center oversaw 59 state active duty missions in which more than 600 Oklahoma National Guard personnel provided support to the citizens of Oklahoma. Missions included wildfire suppression, search and recovery efforts, aerial transportation, supply distribution, and security. In addition to state active duty, the OKNG provided aircraft, aviation crew members, and Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) support to the Texas Border Patrol.

DOMS also provides several unique and specialized capabilities to the state, including:

ANTI-TERRORISM/FORCE PROTECTION (ATFP)

The Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection Office provides protection for DoD personnel, family members, critical assets, and materiel resources assigned to the Oklahoma National Guard and supports the Joint Force Headquarters by deterring, defeating, mitigating the effects of a Terrorist or Homegrown Violent Extremist (HVE) attack. They partner with local law enforcement and provide information sharing and analysis to the Oklahoma Information Fusion Center to help prevent terrorism and crime.

REACTION FORCE OKLAHOMA (NGRF-OK)

The National Guard Reaction Force Oklahoma (NGRF-OK) is a well-trained force capable of responding to natural disasters or terrorist attacks. The team typically deploys to provide site security, presence patrols, or to establish roadblocks and checkpoints. The NGRF can deploy within eight hours and sustain itself for up to 72 hours.

DEFENSIVE CYBER OPERATION ELEMENT AND MISSION DEFENSE TEAM (DCO-E)

The Defensive Cyber Operation Element (DCO-E) is made up of Army National Guard Soldiers, the Mission Defense Team, and Air National Guard Airmen. DCO-E serves as military first responders to the governor and the adjutant general for cyber emergencies to ensure freedom of action in and throughout cyberspace.



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (EMP)

The Emergency Management Program (EMP) establishes plans to mitigate the effects of a hazardous incident impacting Oklahoma National Guard activities and facilities. This includes identifying critical tasks for specific staff, drills and equipment, and developing partnerships with other agencies. During state emergencies, the EMP Coordinator serves as a liaison with the Oklahoma Office of Emergency Management.

*The National Guard was founded to **protect America's homeland**. Today, the Guard supports the homeland mission by **partnering with local, state, and federal authorities** to protect citizens and critical infrastructure from natural and man-made disasters.*



OKLAHOMA NATIONAL GUARD COUNTERDRUG TASK FORCE (OKCDTF)

Oklahoma National Guard Counterdrug Task Force (OKCDTF), operates under the governor's approved State Interdiction and Counterdrug Activities Plan. Counterdrug Task Force provides direct support to federal, state, tribal, and local Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs) and community-based organizations (CBOs) that are involved in a multi-front battle against drugs and drug-related violence. OKCDTF accomplishes this through utilization of Investigative Case Analysts and Linguists embedded with federal and state law enforcement agencies who create graphs, charts, and maps. They conduct toll and financial transaction analysis and develop case information of suspected drug-trafficking individuals and organizations. As well as, through aerial and ground reconnaissance platforms, detect and report illicit drug activity, by forming anti-drug coalitions through our Civil Operations Teams, and by providing free training to law enforcement agencies throughout the state of Oklahoma. OKCDTF's mission is to reduce the influx of illicit narcotics to the state of Oklahoma while ensuring that the state provides a drug-free military force to support federal, as well as state active duty missions.

PERSONNEL SECURITY (PERSEC)

The Personnel Security Office manages and maintains over 9,441 security clearances and over 1,411 official and diplomatic passports for the organization. The Personnel Security Office ensures all service members, civilians, and contractors have a minimum of a "favorably" adjudicated security clearance and ensures these individuals comply with the Homeland Security Presidential Directive-12.

63RD CIVIL SUPPORT TEAM (CST)

The 63rd Civil Support serves an integral part of the Homeland Response Enterprise as the first response of the Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Response Enterprise. The 63rd CST responds to intentional and unintentional releases of hazardous materials as well as man-made and natural disasters. The CST supports civil authorities at domestic Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear (CBRN) incident sites by identifying agents or substances, assessing current and projected consequences, advising on response measures, and assisting with requests for additional support.



The 63rd CST deploys in less than 60 minutes from the alert, providing a robust suite of CBRN detection and identification equipment, a mobile laboratory, technical and emergency decontamination assets, and a mobile operations and communications suite.

In 2019, the 63rd CST participated in 24 multi-agency exercises and training events and assisted with 19 real-world missions. Real-world mission examples include the following: Supporting the Federal Bureau of Investigation with unknown chemical and biological identification to aid with potential weapons of mass destruction investigation efforts; Gubernatorial Inauguration activities with Oklahoma Highway Patrol; incident command assistance, wide-area search and rescue for El Reno tornado disaster; and facilitated an operations center for incident command, and Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics by assisting with identification of unknown chemicals at clandestine drug laboratories. The 63rd CST supported local and state agencies during the Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon, Oklahoma State University football games, and the Tinker Air Show.



ALWAYS READY, ALWAYS THERE

TASK FORCE 1

HELICOPTER SEARCH & RESCUE TEAM

The Oklahoma Army National Guard provides aircraft and flight crews who train with state firefighters to comprise the Helicopter Search and Rescue Team (HSART). The 1-169th Medevac Company utilizes UH-60A/L Black Hawks and the 3-140th Security and Support Company utilizes UH-72A Lakotas, together with the rescue swimmer trained firefighters, to perform rescue hoist operations. The team is trained in day/night operations, complex hoist operations.

The 2019 Fiscal Year monthly joint training sessions were planned and executed, adding night vision goggle operations to the team's skill set to allow for 24-hour operation. They gained proficiency in complex hoist operations, which includes hoisting victims from vehicles, out of windows, trees, and water. Task Force 1 (TF1) participated in the regional Search and Rescue Exercise (SAREX) involving 20 state and federal agencies and 21 aircraft, acquiring critical experience in coordinating efforts across agencies. HSART responded to the Tulsa Floods

going on state active duty, providing two aircraft and crews for 24-hour rescue hoist operations. The team rounded out the year with their culminating exercise at Camp Gruber, including command and control, day/night operations, water, and overland rescue operations.



TASK FORCE 1 CAPABILITIES

DAY/NIGHT OPERATIONS	SWIFT WATER RESCUE	COMPLEX HOIST OPERATIONS	OVERLAND RESCUE	HIGH-ANGLE OPERATIONS

32 QUALIFIED
HSART
CREW MEMBERS

15 HOIST QUALIFIED
RESCUE
SWIMMERS

FIGHTING AMERICA'S WAR

The Oklahoma National Guard (OKNG) has a rich heritage of answering the call of duty to defend the nation on home soil and abroad. In the last decade, more than 10,000 of our Soldiers and Airmen have deployed, many of them serving multiple deployments to answer our nation's call.

Although major combat operations in Iraq and Afghanistan have stopped, the OKNG is still deploying in large numbers to support national objectives.

Oklahoma National Guard Soldiers and Airmen performed missions and training this past year with active-duty and coalition counterparts in the Middle East, Europe, Africa, and the Pacific. They provide helicopter airlift and air support, military police, air combat support, unmanned aerial systems, manned ISR, medical, logistics, security forces, and engineering capabilities.



OKNG HAS DEFENDED FREEDOM IN MULTIPLE OPERATIONS TO INCLUDE:

- Operation Noble Eagle*
- Operation Enduring Freedom*
- Operation Spartan Shield*
- Operation Iraqi Freedom*
- Operation New Dawn*
- Operation Freedom's Sentinel*
- Operation Inherent Resolve*
- Kosovo Force Operation*

SINCE SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 OKNG HAS DEPLOYED
MORE THAN 30,000
SOLDIERS & AIRMEN TO MORE THAN
SIXTEEN COUNTRIES
SUPPORTING THE GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM

FALLEN HEROES

Nineteen Oklahoma National Guard Soldiers have died while serving our nation overseas since 9/11

Sergeant Kyle A. Brinlee

February 17, 1983 - May 11, 2004

Sergeant Buddy J. Hughie

October 23, 1981 - February 19, 2007

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Brady J. Rudolf

April 9, 1971 - September 17, 2008

Sergeant Daniel M. Eshbaugh

October 18, 1964 - September 17, 2008

Corporal Michael E. Thompson

May 5, 1985 - September 17, 2008

Second Lieutenant Jered W. Ewy

June 9, 1978 - July 29, 2011

Specialist Augustus J. Vicari

April 27, 1989 - July 29, 2011

Staff Sergeant Kirk A. Owen

August 16, 1973 - August 2, 2011

Sergeant Anthony Del Mar Peterson

December 8, 1986 - August 4, 2011

Second Lieutenant Joe L. Cunningham

April 18, 1984 - August 13, 2011

First Lieutenant Damon T. Leehan

September 11, 1980 - August 14, 2011

Specialist Joshua M. Seals

April 10, 1990 - August 16, 2011

Sergeant Bret D. Isenhower

January 30, 1985 - September 9, 2011

Specialist Christopher D. Horton

October 1, 1984 - September 9, 2011

Private First Class Tony J. Potter, Jr.

December 12, 1990 - September 9, 2011

Sergeant Mycal L. Prince

July 16, 1983 - September 15, 2011

Specialist Francisco J. Briseño-Alvarez, Jr.

February 4, 1984 - September 25, 2011

Sergeant Christopher D. Gailey

September 15, 1985 - November 1, 2011

Specialist Sarina N. Butcher

November 13, 1991 - November 1, 2011



OKNG GLOBAL AFFAIRS

STATE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Azerbaijan since 2002

The National Guard State Partnership Program (SPP), over the last 25 years, continues to evolve and expand. Currently, the National Guard has 78 partnerships across 54 states and territories. SPP is codified in United States public law and specific authorizations within the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). These enduring relationships and partnerships sustain country access, enable diplomatic efforts, and promote interoperability. The National Guard State Partnership Program is invaluable in the application of national power to ensure U.S. interests abroad.



The Oklahoma National Guard (OKNG) focused on conducting engagements, events, and exchanges in support of the Department of Defense security goals and Department of State mission objectives, leveraging societal relationships and capabilities, facilitating broader interagency and corollary engagements, as well as spanning military, government, economic, and social spheres. As the OKNG expands our international footprint, we increase Oklahoma's global impact and influence outside mobilizations and combat rotations.

The Oklahoma National Guard is nearing its twentieth year partnering with the Republic of Azerbaijan. Azerbaijan is a key U.S. strategic partner that provides regional stability. It is situated between Russia in the North and Iran in the South. Azerbaijan's energy resources reduce Europe's dependence on Russia, and the Southern Gas Corridor is a strategic energy distribution source. Baku, the capital of Azerbaijan, is the gateway between Europe and Asia. It is the transportation hub for all U.S. overflights and ground transportation of non-lethal goods supporting U.S. operations. Training Year 2019 began with a high-level Bilateral Defense Consultation in Baku chaired by the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (DASD) Laura Cooper with representation from the U.S. Embassy team, Defense Security Cooperation, and the OKNG. Azerbaijani President Ilham Aliyev received the delegation with continued discussions with various Ministries. Two milestones were achieved with one engagement when Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Brad Hanna, the first Oklahoma National Guard religious leader, engaged in the first Azerbaijani



multi-Ministerial Water Security event conducted by Naval Facility Area Command and the Institute for Defense Analyses. The Oklahoma National Guard provided a delegation led by Colonel Robert Walter to support the anniversary of the Victory in Europe Day ceremony in Épinal, France, at the American Cemetery in Épinal.

A defining moment in our 17-year partnership was a whole of government engagement led by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) for the first Azerbaijan Agricultural Forum in Oklahoma. The forum attendees visited Oklahoma National Stockyards, an Oklahoma State University Food and Production department, and a dairy facility concluded with Oklahoma State University signing an academic agreement with Azerbaijan’s Agrarian University. The event concluded with a summit filled with panel experts. Stillwater and Gadabay entered into an agreement to pursue a “Sister-Cities” compact. Furthermore, the Oklahoma National Guard partners with friendly foreign countries for NATO certification, NATO interoperability, and to increase capabilities through Maryland with Estonia, through Michigan with Latvia, and through USAREUR with Romania to ensure peace and security supporting the “Strong Europe” campaign. Moreover, the Oklahoma National Guard continues to engage with partner countries and allies, supporting a myriad of strategic planning conferences with European Command and NATO.

OKNG GLOBAL AFFAIR EVENTS

Bi-Lateral Defense Consultation	Azerbaijan	December 2018
Water Reservoir Security	Azerbaijan	March 2019
Kuwait Unit Visit	Kuwait	March 2019
SOCEUR (137th CMD Visit)	England/Romania	March 2019
NGB SPP WORKSHOP	Tennessee	April 2019
USAREUR CTC	Germany	May 2019
45th IN-Victory Europe Épinal	France	May 2019
Cyber Defense/Sec Dev	Azerbaijan	May 2019
AZE Independence Day	Washington DC	June 2019
AVN STANDARD	Azerbaijan	August 2019
USAFE Biomedical	Azerbaijan	August 2019
ODC/BAO/SPP ESIC	Germany	September 2019
Senior Leader Visit	Azerbaijan	September 2019
EUCOM Cyber Sync Conference	Virginia	September 2019
MREP UK	Croatia	September 2019
EUCOM Medical Planning	Germany	September 2019
MREP UK	Slovenia	October 2019

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE STARBASE



DoD STARBASE is a premier education program sponsored by the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs. At DoD STARBASE, students participate in challenging “hands-on, mind-on” activities in Science, Technology,

Engineering, and Math (STEM). The goal is to raise interest and improve the knowledge and skills of at-risk youth in STEM, which will provide for a highly educated and skilled American workforce who can meet the advanced technological requirements of the Department of Defense.

STARBASE supports Oklahoma Works by providing a rigorous foundation of STEM knowledge, skills, and motivation for Oklahoma students at the beginning of the education and training pipeline. This foundation supports all five Workforce Ecosystems driving wealth in Oklahoma: *Aerospace and Defense; Agriculture and Biosciences; Energy; Information and Financial Services; and Transportation and Distribution.*

STARBASE 5TH GRADE PROGRAMMING:

STARBASE exposes STEM to students in the 5th grade attending with their school class, one day a week for six weeks. There are currently STARBASE classrooms at four sites/academies located across Oklahoma in Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Lawton, and Burns Flat.

STARBASE 2.0, 6TH-8TH GRADE PROGRAMMING:

STARBASE 2.0 provides an after-school club four hours per month, focusing on STEM projects, goal setting, and team building.

DoD STARBASE OKLAHOMA QUICK FACTS

NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU YOUTH EDUCATIONAL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

ORIGINATED IN 1993

7 STARBASE CLASSROOMS STATEWIDE | **11 STARBASE 2.0 PROGRAMS IN SCHOOLS**

MORE THAN 100,000 STUDENTS SERVED BY DoD STARBASE OKLAHOMA

NATIVE AMERICAN INITIATIVE CONDUCTED | **TWENTY-FOUR STAFF MEMBERS EMPLOYED**

THUNDERBIRD

CHALLENGE PROGRAM

The Thunderbird Challenge Program's mission is to take at-risk youth and give them discipline and the tools they need to plot a new course in life. The goal is to return at-risk youths to their homes with high school diplomas, additional high school credits, GEDs, and vocations to become successful, productive citizens within their communities. Thunderbird Challenge Program is part of the Department of Defense and National Guard's Youth Challenge Program. It is one of 41 programs in 30 states and territories. Founded in 1993, it is the only program of its kind in Oklahoma, providing in-resident opportunities free of charge to parents and schools.



PROGRAM EDUCATION

Thunderbird Challenge Program has developed a partnership with Epic Charter Schools and offers three different education opportunities to cadets. Thunderbird is one of the few Challenge Programs in the nation that offers this diversity in education opportunities.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION:

For Cadets eligible, Thunderbird Challenge Program offers the capability to attain a high school diploma through our partnership with Epic Charter Schools.

GED CERTIFICATE:

This program is available for cadets who are not in a position to receive a high school diploma. Cadets are provided training during the cycle, and the GED exam is administered at the end.

HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT RECOVERY:

High school courses and credit are available through our partnership with Epic Charter Schools. The goal is to return cadets to their local high school on a path to receiving their high school diploma.

300
OF 900 APPLICANTS
SERVED ANNUALLY



70-80
STAFF SIZE
BASED ON FILL LEVEL



\$4-5
MILLION
ANNUAL BUDGET



5,400
OKLAHOMA YOUTHS
GRADUATED



75% **25%**
FEDERAL STATE
FUNDING SOURCE

\$20M ECONOMIC
IMPACT

\$13.3M RETURN ON PROGRAM
INVESTMENT

EDUCATION ASSISTANCE

FEDERAL TUITION ASSISTANCE (FTA)

Federal Tuition Assistance will pay up to \$250 per semester hour for up to 16 semester hours per fiscal year, with a lifetime limit of 130 undergraduate semester hours and 39 graduate semester hours.

STATE TUITION WAIVER (STW)

The National Guard State Tuition Waiver program entitles eligible members of the Oklahoma National Guard who are attending two or four-year accredited institutions of higher learning within Oklahoma the following benefits:

STW waives the resident tuition of satisfactory participating Guard members who are residents. The STW can waive up to 18 credit hours per semester per institution. The recipient must be pursuing an associate's or bachelor's degree and be enrolled in a minimum of three hours to receive the waiver.

SELECTIVE RESERVE INCENTIVE PROGRAM (SRIP)

The National Guard has several incentive cash bonus programs as well as the Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP).

ARMED FORCES CLASSIFICATION TEST (AFCT)

The Armed Forces Classification Test (AFCT) evaluates active-duty personnel who wish to improve their ASVAB scores for reenlistment or reclassification. The AFCT can be administered multiple times after a six-month waiting period between tests.

SELECTION INSTRUMENT FOR FLIGHT TRAINING (SIFT)

The Selection Instrument for Flight Training (SIFT) exam evaluates a Soldier's special aptitudes that are predictive of success in Army flight training. SIFT is a qualifier to become an Oklahoma Army National Guard Officer/Warrant Officer or an Army Flight Warrant.

FY 2019

MONTGOMERY GI BILL KICKER PROGRAM CONTRACTED MORE THAN
300 SERVICE MEMBERS

2,000 SRIP
PAYMENTS TOTALING OVER **\$6M**

400 SLRP
PAYMENTS TOTALING OVER **\$250K**

224 SERVICE MEMBERS
ENROLLED IN **486 CLASSES** & **\$249K** USED FOR POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

SIXTY-FOUR
SERVICE MEMBERS TOOK THE AFCT

TWENTY-ONE
SERVICE MEMBERS TOOK THE SIFT EXAM

2,435 SERVICE MEMBERS
PROVIDED EDUCATION ASSISTANCE TOTALING AN ESTIMATED **\$5M** IN BENEFITS

FAMILY PROGRAM OFFICE

The Oklahoma National Guard (OKNG) Family Program Office (FPO) offers a wide range of Service Member and family support across a full spectrum of services. The program encompasses 12 different programs and operates out of 11 various facilities across the state to optimizing support for geographically dispersed families. A few services include employment support, emergency family and transition assistance, casualty notification and support, Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Support, Military Funeral Honors, and education support.



INITIATIVES & EVENTS

OKNG Family Program Office conducts an annual school supply drive, a toy drive, and an ACT preparation course, as well as holiday, military life, and home buying seminars. OKNG FPO always seeks new initiatives to improve the lives and service of OKNG families. Currently, FPO is working on a seminar that would bring together educational experts to provide parents with tools to use at home to help their elementary school-aged children succeed in school.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The OKNG FPO is committed to community outreach building partnerships to focus on public, governmental, and tribal resources to address any challenge facing our military families. The Family Assistance and Building Healthy Military Communities section takes the lead in this effort and has been successful in networking even in the most remote areas of Oklahoma.

The partnership with Canadian Valley Technology Center (CVTC) has resulted in free or vastly reduced tuition and fees for OKNG Soldiers. The CVTC Cosmetology department partnership provided free Christmas and back-to-school haircuts, as well as free haircuts, hair styling, manicures and make-up demonstrations for participants in the OKNG Adjutant General's Leadership Conference and Military Ball.

CASUALTY OPERATIONS OFFICE (CASOPS)

The Casualty Operations Office (CASOPS) is responsible for all casualty missions involving the death or injury of Oklahoma Army National Guard Soldiers. CASOPS supports all Army components, as well as assists Soldiers who suffer the death of a spouse or child. The office assists all Soldiers performing honorable duties of Casualty Notification and Assistance Officers. CASOPS offers support to grieving family members throughout the process.

MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS PROGRAM (MFH)



Military Funeral Honors Program provides funeral honors to all Oklahoma Army Veterans, to highlight their service to their country, state, community, and families. In Fiscal Year 2019, MFH performed 1,534 funeral honors and projects to support 1,600 by the end of Fiscal Year 2020.

SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES

Survivor Outreach Services provides long-term support to surviving Families of Fallen Soldiers. Their goal is to reassure Survivors that they are valued members of the Army Family. Support Coordinators assist regardless of the service member's branch, duty status, or cause of death. They actively reach out to family members with established contact information and currently support over 1,500 Survivors across Oklahoma.

*From the Child and Youth program, **supporting** National Guard **children**, through Military Funeral Honors and Survivor Outreach Services, the OKNG FPO **supports** its **clients** through practically their **entire life**.*



45th INFANTRY DIVISION MUSEUM

Opened to the public in 1976, the 45th Infantry Division Museum is located at 2145 NE 36th Street in Oklahoma City. This world-class institution is Oklahoma's only state-operated museum dedicated to military history. In addition to our interior exhibits, the museum is surrounded by a 15-acre military park containing over 50 vehicles, aircraft, and artillery pieces. Our mission is to collect, preserve, and interpret the impact of the Oklahoma National Guard's past, present, and future, illuminating the contributions of Oklahoma's Citizen-Soldiers and Airmen to the state, the nation, and the world. Each year, more than 16,000 local, national, and international visitors tour the museum. Our institution is a center of preservation of artifacts and history, and we serve as a conduit between the citizens of Oklahoma and their National Guard.



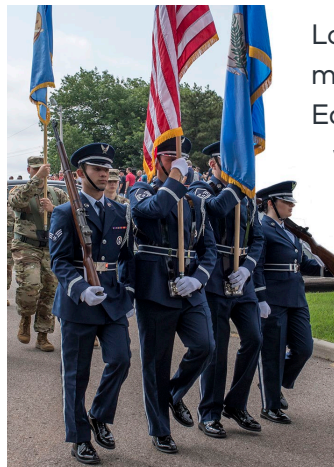
EXHIBITS

The museum's 10 galleries tell the story of Oklahoma's military history from 1541 through today's current operations. The 45th Infantry Division's history is a large part of the storyline, with its 511 combat days and eight campaigns in World War II, and 429 combat days and four campaigns during the Korean War. Significant collections held by the museum include a selection of Bill Mauldin's Pulitzer Prize-winning cartoons from World War II, the Reaves Weapons Collection spanning the Revolutionary War through Vietnam, and artifacts related to Hitler and Nazi Germany.

An expansion of our storyline and updates to the exhibition galleries is a significant part of our three-year strategic plan. This project does not come without careful planning and consideration of the costs involved. The museum and staff are excited about the opportunities for improvement and dedicated to taking on this vital work, finding ways to improve our displays and provide our visitors with a vibrant educational experience.

PROGRAMS

The museum conducts special ceremonies on Veterans Day and Memorial Day to commemorate and honor the service and sacrifice of Oklahoma's veterans and military service members. The museum also hosts hundreds of Oklahoma students annually. The exhibitions specifically address academic standards for U.S. History and Oklahoma History, which includes the history of the 45th Infantry Division. The museum is also working on a partnership with the local affiliate of the DoD STARBASE Program. Their curriculum will allow the museum to reach beyond social studies related material and expand our educational outreach.



Looking forward, the museum will develop Adult Educational Programming, which will enhance the information presented in our galleries including a "Lunch and Learn" series, presentations by the staff, panel discussions, and movie nights.

COLLECTIONS

The museum is fortunate to hold in public trust essential collections related to military history, and more specifically, to the 45th Infantry Division and the Oklahoma National Guard. Collections Management is a vital function for all museums, and the staff is dedicated to preserving our collections for future generations. Unfortunately, the mandate of collection care comes with challenges and costs. We are honored that our building is tied to the history of the Oklahoma National Guard; however, proper museum storage is a problem. Our strategic plan calls for an evaluation of our artifact and archival collections over the next three years. To comply with the best museum practices and adequately care for our collections, the museum must evaluate, reorganize, and deaccession objects in storage.

Challenges include a lack of adequate storage space, workspace, and budget. These are challenges addressed in our strategic plan. The museum staff projects that we cannot meet museum standards without a new storage facility.

CONCLUSION

The 45th Infantry Division Museum plays an integral and essential role in preserving Oklahoma's military history. We look at the challenges before us to improve our status to one of the nation's most notable institutions dedicated to the services and sacrifices of Oklahoma's Soldiers and Airmen.



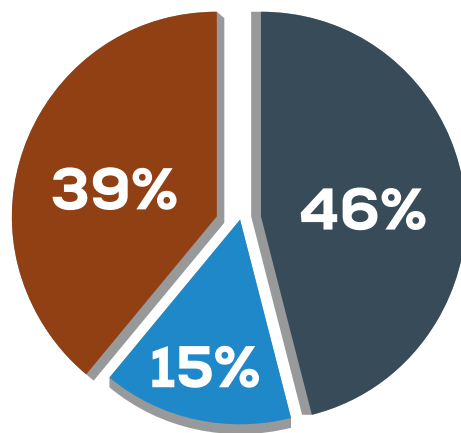
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NATIONAL GUARD WORKFORCE

Between drill weekends, annual training periods, and deployments, the Oklahoma National Guard (OKNG) is administered, trained, and equipped through the efforts of **approximately 21%** of our force that make up the full-time staff. They include Military Federal Technicians (Title 32), National Guard employees (Title 5), Federal Active Guard Reserve (AGR) military members, and state employees. They are the core of the force, ensuring that our traditional Guardsmen are ready to respond when called.

The vast majority of the Oklahoma National Guard federal employee workforce is dual-status. Dual-status employees are required to maintain membership in the OKNG as a condition for employment.

The full-time workforce is augmented on an as needed basis using Oklahoma Guard members on short-term military tours.



- FEDERAL EMPLOYEES (TITLE 32 & TITLE 5)
- ACTIVE GUARD RESERVE
- STATE EMPLOYEES

THE FULL-TIME WORKFORCE STRUCTURE

OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD	AMOUNT
Federal Employees	491
Federal Active Guard Reserve	539
OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD TOTAL	1,030

OKLAHOMA AIR NATIONAL GUARD	AMOUNT
Federal Employees	603
Federal Active Guard Reserve	379
OKLAHOMA AIR NATIONAL GUARD TOTAL	982

STATE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	AMOUNT
State of Oklahoma Employees	368

2,380 FULL-TIME WORKFORCE **TOTAL**



OKLAHOMA

NATIONAL GUARD FUNDING

The Oklahoma National Guard (OKNG) received **\$332 million** from the federal government in Fiscal Year 2019 and **\$10.1 million** from the State General Revenue Fund in State Fiscal Year 2019.

Federal funds pay for the majority of the OKNG's operations, maintenance, equipment, training, travel, and construction expenses. They include **\$47.5 million** in Federal Cooperative Agreement funds that are either granted to the state or administered by the state to support cost-share programs.

State General Revenue Funds come from state tax revenues that are annually appropriated to the Oklahoma Military Department (OMD) for the administration of the Oklahoma National Guard and provide the state's required share of the Master Cooperative Agreement. OMD Revolving funds come from multiple sources to support Oklahoma Military Department operations, the 45th Infantry Division Museum, and the OKNG Soldier Relief Program. Federal Cooperative Agreement funds are federal dollars reimbursed to the state for the federal share of operations executed.

FEDERAL FUNDING FY 2019 (OCT. 1 - SEPT. 30)

OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD	AMOUNT
Operations, Maintenance, and Civilian Payroll	\$99,149,700
Military Construction	\$8,154,000
Military Pay & Allowances	\$117,704,800
DoD (Youth Challenge)	\$4,840,000
OMA	\$389,900
OKLAHOMA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD TOTAL	\$230,238,400

OKLAHOMA AIR NATIONAL GUARD	AMOUNT
Operations, Maintenance, and Civilian Payroll	\$73,012,500
Military Construction	\$0
Military Pay & Allowances	\$28,794,482
OKLAHOMA AIR NATIONAL GUARD TOTAL	\$101,806,982

STATE FUNDING FY 2019 (JULY 1 - JUNE 30)

General Revenue Fund (from state tax revenues)	\$10,195,256
Revolving Fund (non-appropriated funds)	\$769,718
Federal Cooperative Agreement (federal funds managed by the state)	\$47,528,664
STATE TOTAL	\$58,493,638

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