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Publisher's Note - Welcome to the first edition of Military Appreciation Magazine (M.A.M), the only printed magazine serving Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst (JB MDL) and surrounding New Jersey communities. This inaugural issue combines the essential elements of two previously published JB MDL publications: the Military Appreciation Resource Magazine and GoMDL Magazine. These magazines have been the key printed publications focusing on JB MDL and its local community. Our experienced, newly formed team is dedicated to the vision of M.A.M. being the premier publication of high-quality military-oriented information to inspire, inform, and engage our readers. Our mission is to provide compelling stories, information, and resources that enrich the lives of the military, their families, our readers, and our sponsors.

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Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst

The 42,000-contiguous acres of JB MDL are home to more than 80 mission partners and 40 mission commanders providing a wide range of combat capability. The base spans more than 20 miles, from east to west. It is situated in the two largest counties in New Jersey—Burlington and Ocean—and includes portions of eight municipalities: the borough of Wrightstown and the townships of New Hanover, North Hanover, Pemberton, and Springfield, in Burlington County, and the townships of Jackson, Manchester, and Plumsted in Ocean County. The 87th Air Base Wing provides installation management support for 3,933 facilities. More than 44,000 airmen, soldiers, sailors, marines, coast guardsmen, civilians, and their family members live and work on and around JB MDL.

The United States Air Force's McGuire Air Force Base, the United States Army's Fort Dix and the United States Navy's Naval Air Engineering Station Lakehurst were merged on 1 October 2009. The base is situated in the two largest counties in New Jersey—Burlington and Ocean—and includes portions of eight municipalities. JB MDL is the Department of Defense's only tri-service joint base.

As America's premier joint warfighting base, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst is uniquely capable of projecting air, land, and sea power in support of our nation's defense.

Though consolidated into a single joint base, the three facilities which were adjoining, but separate military installations remain commonly known by their pre-merger names. Although the installation management functions have been consolidated, the missions of each of the three installations will continue.

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Col Anthony L. Smith is the Commander, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst (JB MDL) and 87th Air Base Wing, JB MDL, New Jersey. Col Smith provides installation support to more than 80 mission partners at the Defense Department's only tri-service joint base. He is also responsible for providing mission-ready expeditionary Airmen, Guardians, and Sailors to combatant commanders in support of joint and coalition operations.

Col Smith entered the Air Force after receiving his commission through the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps at Fayetteville State University, North Carolina in May 1997. Col Smith has served in a variety of positions at the wing, center, major command, Air Force and defense agency levels including commanding at the squadron and group levels.

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Chief Master Sergeant Michael Wynne serves as the 87th Air Base Wing Command Chief Master Sergeant, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey. As senior enlisted leader of the Department of Defense's only tri-service joint base, he is the principle advisor to the installation commander. The wing provides mission support, civil engineering, and medical services to more than 88 mission partners and 52,000 active duty, reserve, guard, civilian, retiree and family members residing on the joint base with an infrastructure valued at \$9 billion. He is entrusted with the combat readiness, organization, training, professional development and effective utilization of more than 1,200 Airmen and Sailors. Additionally, he is the functional manager of 21 First Sergeants who maintain a mission-ready force and support the military community's quality-of-life needs.



MOBILIZED FOR THE FIGHT

OPERATION HONEY BADGER STRENGTHENS READINESS

U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 87th Civil Engineer Squadron board a U.S. Navy Reserve Fixed Wing Logistics Squadron 64, C-130H Hercules aircraft during Operation Honey Badger at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., Oct. 20, 2024. OHB, prepares participants for austere troop deployment and collaboration between separate career fields. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Aidan Thompson)

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By Senior Airman Aidan Thompson

Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst

JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST, N.J. – The 87th Civil Engineer Squadron recently organized and participated in Operation Honey Badger between Oct. 20-25, 2024, at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst. A total of 11 different Civil Engineer Air Force specialties came together to test and hone their skills while operating in an austere environment.

OHB reflected the shift in focus toward the Pacific theater. Tasking Airmen to confront an enemy using a jungle environment, creation and maintenance of helicopter landing zones, manning defensive fighting positions as well as operating heavy equipment to level the intended runway.

"OHB is a field training exercise testing our skills for future conflicts," said Staff Sgt. Alec Bacon, 87th Civil Engineer Squadron, pavements and equipment supervisor.

In the era of Great Power Competition, JB MDL is focused on heightening mission readiness and interoperability -- ensuring deployers are equipped with the necessary skills to perform any mission set even if it falls outside of their primary duties.

Through joint partners OHB implemented several training scenarios. U.S. Navy Reserve Fixed Wing Logistics Squadron 64 provided air transportation for personnel and equipment to Naval Support Activity Lakehurst. From there the unit rucked three and a half miles to a designated location where they establish a base of operations.

The mission scenario of the exercise was clear: rebuild the landing zone. Members were tasked with ensuring the landing zone was stable enough to support a C-130 to make several touch-and-go landings.

"The Dirt Boys and Explosive Ordnance Disposal negotiated with the host nation for the equipment we used," Airman Melvin Owens, 787th Civil Engineer Squadron Execution Support. "Everyone available helped establish the flight line, most of us aren't Dirt Boys but we were working together to do the job."

OHB was primarily comprised of personnel who have not participated in a field training exercise before, giving them vital experience in a controlled environment.

"The New Jersey Army National Guard 1-150th Assault Helicopter Battalion provided an equipment resupply via helicopter, performing sling load operations on the fabricated HLZ," said Tech. Sgt. Moises Gonzalez, 87th EOD, logistics chief. "Marine Aircraft Group 49 used their attack helicopters to simulate an attack on our members, thus testing the OHB team's reaction to fire and alternate courses of action."

OHB isolated the participants from higher-level decision makers, empowering flexible moment to moment decision making via team leads.

"Our intent is to continue conducting and improving field training exercises such as these on a semi-annual basis; by training how we fight, we can continue sharpening our skills and adjust to anything that comes our way," Gonzalez said. "Members from all AFSCs and ranks stepped up during this exercise, and we could not be prouder of all they accomplished." ★

U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 87th Civil Engineer Squadron, secure their weapons before setting up their base camp during Operation Honey Badger at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., Oct. 20, 2024. Gear accountability is an integral part in ensuring personnel practice as they would perform during a real deployment, lowering the likelihood of equipment mishaps. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Aidan Thompson)





Sgt. Sonu Kumari Shah, a finance management technician with the Army Reserve's 374th Financial Management Support Unit, and her husband Hosnarayam Sah attend a pre-deployment Yellow Ribbon event in Washington D.C. May 3-5 hosted by the 99th Readiness Division. During Army Reserve Yellow Ribbon events, the role spouses and families play in mobilizations is not only recognized but highlighted as a key component of Soldier readiness. (U.S. Army photo by Mr. Shawn Morris, 99th RD Public Affairs)

ARMY RESERVE COUPLE RECEIVES RESOURCES AT YELLOW RIBBON PRE-DEPLOYMENT EVENT

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By Staff Sgt. Shawn Morris

99th Readiness Division

JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST, N.J. – When U.S. Army Reserve Soldiers are mobilized and deployed, their spouses and families are, in a sense, mobilized along with them.

During Army Reserve Yellow Ribbon events, the role spouses and families play in mobilizations is not only recognized but highlighted as a key component of Soldier readiness.

"When there is somebody important in your life, you're going to miss them," said Sgt. Sonu Kumari Shah, a finance management technician with the Army Reserve's 374th Financial Management Support Unit, during a Yellow Ribbon pre-deployment event hosted by the 99th Readiness Division.

"I like not to think about it; I focus on the positive," added Sonu's husband, Hosnarayam Sah, who also attended the event.

"I'm excited to go on deployment, but I don't want to be away from him," Sonu added.

The Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program is a DoD-wide effort to promote the well-being of Army Reserve and National Guard members, their families, and communities by connecting them with resources throughout the deployment cycle. Through Yellow Ribbon events, Soldiers and loved ones connect with local resources before, during and after deployments.

"There is information you really need to know," said Hosnarayam, who works as a software developer. "I was unaware of any of this information. (The Yellow Ribbon event) was an informative session."

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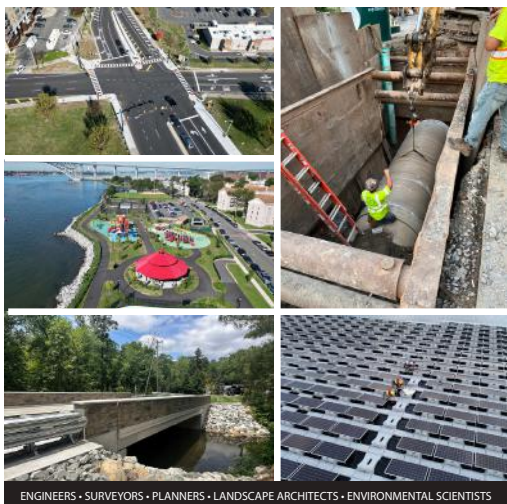
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U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 621st Contingency Response Group arrive at Fort Indiantown Gap, P.A., Jan. 22, 2025. The 621st CRG was requested on behalf of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard to help lift and relocate nine Stryker armored vehicles to the Fort Indiantown Gap training range. The lift was assisted by a team of U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 621st CRG who secured and released each Stryker to the helicopter. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Matt Porter)

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By Senior Airman Matt Porter

Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst

JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST, N.J. — A joint effort among the Pennsylvania Army National Guard, the Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 772, and the U.S. Air Force's 621st Contingency Response Group, resulted in a successful heavy-lift operation at Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania, Jan. 22, 2025. The mission, which involved transporting Stryker vehicle hulls weighing up to 24,800 pounds, highlighted the importance of joint operations while leveraging military training capabilities.

The Stryker is a highly deployable-wheeled armored vehicle that combines firepower, battlefield mobility, survivability and versatility, with reduced logistics requirements.

The operation was initiated when the PAANG Training Center procured Stryker hulls through the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office.

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A CH-53E Super Stallion helicopter assigned to Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 772 relocates a Stryker armored vehicle at Fort Indiantown Gap, P.A., Jan. 22, 2025. The helicopter was requested on behalf of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard to lift and relocate nine Stryker armored vehicles to the Fort Indiantown Gap training range. The lift was assisted by a team of U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 621st Contingency Response Group who secured and released each Stryker to the helicopter. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Matt Porter)



THEY SAY WE'RE A LOT. AND THEY'RE RIGHT.





U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 621st Contingency Response Group secure a Stryker heavy vehicle to a CH-53E Super Stallion helicopter assigned to Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 772 at Fort Indiantown Gap, P.A., Jan. 22, 2025. The 621st CRG was requested on behalf of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard to help lift and relocate nine Stryker armored vehicles to the Fort Indiantown Gap training range. The lift was assisted by a team of U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 621st Contingency Response Group who secured and released each Stryker to the helicopter. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Matt Porter)



U.S. Marine Corps Marines assigned to Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 772, perform a maintenance check on a CH-53E Super Stallion helicopter before takeoff at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., Jan. 22, 2025. The helicopter was requested on behalf of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard to lift and relocate nine Stryker armored vehicles to the Fort Indiantown Gap training range. The lift was assisted by a team of U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 621st Contingency Response Group who secured and released each Stryker to the helicopter. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Matt Porter)

Joint Forces Heavy Lift Operation continued from page 10

The hulls were intended to enhance the training infrastructure for U.S. Army and U.S. Marine field artillery units, but their movement presented a logistical challenge. The Army's organic CH-47 Chinook helicopters were unable to lift the heavy vehicles, prompting outreach to HMH 772, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, New Jersey.

"We were responsible for weighing the hulls, clearing the emplacement area of unexploded ordnance and procuring the sling sets for the lift," said U.S. Army Capt. Michael Shea, PAANG range management authority. "This type of joint operation allows us to leverage each other's strengths and improve overall mission effectiveness."

The Stryker lift fulfilled dual objectives: training interoperability between services and improving the training range's capabilities. The hulls will serve as targets for Army and Marine artillery units training at Fort Indiantown Gap, with future plans to incorporate unmanned aerial systems for spotting and observing targets within the impact area.

In preparation for the operation, a site survey was conducted by certified personnel to ensure the landing zone was clear of obstructions and that safety protocols were met. A total of 15 vehicles required transport, though weight restrictions limited the operation to eight vehicles under 25,000 pounds.

"This wasn't just about moving equipment," Shea said. "It was about ensuring the safety and efficiency of everyone involved while building a more robust training environment."

The 621st CRG supported the mission, aligning the operation under the group's umbrella. The collaboration also involved a Marine sling-load team from New River, North Carolina, though the local Army National Guard team primarily handled attaching the loads to the aircraft.

While not formally trained as a helicopter support team, the Army team's familiarity with sling-load operations and its strong working relationship with HMH 772 ensured the mission's success.

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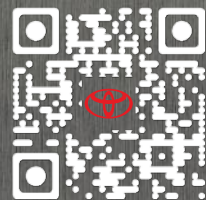
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PICATINNY'S NAVY DETACHMENT PART OF HISTORIC FIRST-TIME TEST AT SEA

The Ticonderoga-class guided-missile cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65) steams alongside the Lewis and Clark-class dry cargo ship USNS Washington Chambers (T-AKE 11) during an at-sea demonstration of the Transferrable Reload At-sea Method (TRAM) while underway in the Pacific Ocean Oct. 11, 2024. Sailors aboard Chosin used the hydraulically-powered TRAM device to load an empty missile canister into the ship's MK 41 Vertical Launching System (VLS) while off the coast of San Diego. (U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Charlotte Dudenhoeffer) (Petty Officer 2nd Class Charlotte Dudenhoeffer)

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PICATINNY ARSENAL, N.J. - Personnel assigned to Naval Surface Warfare Center, Indian Head Division, Picatinny Detachment Naval Packaging, Handling, Storage and Transportation (PHS&T) Division

at Picatinny Arsenal, recently supported a successful demonstration of the Transferrable Reload At-sea Method (TRAM) system while underway in the Pacific Ocean, the first of its kind for the U.S. Navy. The Oct. 11 demonstration off the coast of San Diego, Calif.,

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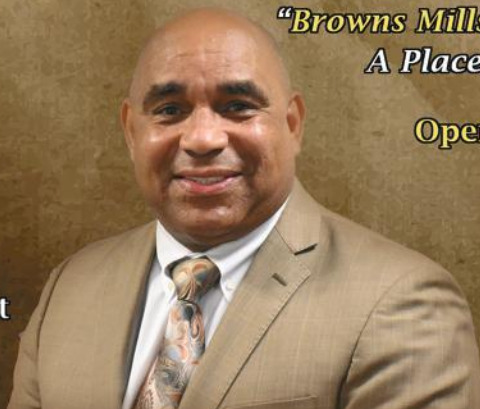
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Sailors from Navy Cargo Handling Battalion One (NCHB-1) onboard USS Chosin (CG-65) work with ship's force to complete a demonstration of the Transferrable Rearming Mechanism VLS Reloading At-Sea with the USNS Washington Chambers (T-AKE 11) on Oct. 11, 2024, in the Pacific Ocean. (U.S. Navy Photo.)

was the first time the Navy tested the system at sea.

Sailors aboard the Ticonderoga-class cruiser USS Chosin (CG 65) used the hydraulically powered TRAM device to load an empty missile canister into the ship's MK 41 Vertical Launching System (VLS).

For the at-sea demonstration, Chosin connected to USNS Washington Chambers (T-AKE 11), a Military Sealift Command dry cargo and ammunition ship, which transferred the missile canister across cables to the cruiser. The sailors then used TRAM to move the missile canister along rails attached to the cruiser's VLS modules, tilt it into a vertical position, and lower it into a VLS cell.

Under the leadership of Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) Office of Technology, or O5T, not only was the equipment demonstrated, but also the ability of NAVSEA to leverage capabilities across the enterprise to complete complex missions in response to a rapid need. The TRAM system was developed by a team at Naval Surface Warfare Center, Port Hueneme Division (NSWC PHD) in California to allow the at-sea unloading and rearming of VLS missile canisters. The TRAM device was refurbished by Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory (JHUAPL) and was analyzed and tested by NSWC Indian Head (NSWC IHD) Naval PHST (Located at Picatinny Arsenal in New Jersey). To ensure successful and safe demonstration, operational development for the system was supported by Navy Expeditionary Logistics Support Group (NAVELSG) and Navy Cargo Handling Battalion One (NCHB-1). A successful land-based demonstration was performed in July at NSWC PHD.

"We are transforming the way the Navy fights," Secretary of the Navy Carlos Del Toro said during a press conference after observing the TRAM in a replenishment operation for the MK-41 VLS while both ships operated.

"Without the ability to rearm at sea, our service combatants must return to port, sometimes thousands of miles away, as we sometimes have to do in the Red Sea," Del Toro said. "After we shoot the missiles, we have to go back to other ports in order to rearm. The ability to rearm at sea will be critical to any future conflict in the Pacific and elsewhere."

"Currently, ships have to pull into specific ports to allow for



pier-side removal of spent missile canisters and installation of new loaded canisters which can contain STANDARD Missiles, Tomahawk or Evolved Seasparrow Missiles," said David Rogers, Systems Integration Department Head, with the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Indian Head Division, Picatinny Detachment.

"Special equipment is required at the pier to allow for the canisters to be tilted in the vertical orientation and hoisted above the ship and installed in the ship's VLS cells. Not every port has this specialized equipment. The TRAM system will allow this operation to be done at sea between a supply ship and a combatant, anywhere," Rogers said.

The TRAM Device was on-site at picatinny arsenal for testing in the spring of 2024. During testing the Arsenal and DEVCOM assisted with infrastructure and service support.

Naval Surface Warfare Center, Indian Head Division's (NSWC IHD) Picatinny Detachment is home to the command's Systems Integration Department, established at Picatinny, New Jersey.

The department's mission is to perform Research, Development and Acquisition of Guns and Ammunition for the Department of the Navy. This includes supporting system design and procurement; installation; in-service trouble shooting; and life cycle support for guns and ammunition.

The other main function of the Picatinny Detachment is Research, Development and Acquisition of Weapons and Armaments PHS&T systems. This includes design, qualification, acquisition support, and in-service engineering for weapons containers, ordnance handling equipment, ordnance storage/stowage systems, and transportation systems.

According to the Navy Secretary, the service is on track to begin fielding TRAM in two to three years. 🌟



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NSWCPD RENEW EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH ROWAN UNIVERSITY

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Naval Surface Warfare Center, Philadelphia Division (NSWCPD) and Rowan University, Glassboro, New Jersey, took a significant step forward in their collaborative relationship by signing a new, enhanced Education Partnership Agreement (EPA) on January 22, 2025, which serves to sustain & strengthen their formal partnership.

The EPA with Rowan University allows NSWCPD to share its scientific, engineering, and technology resources, and subject matter experts with Rowan's faculty and students. This partnership enhances the university's research capabilities and enriches the educational experience for students. In turn, NSWCPD is able to involve Rowan in U.S. Navy research projects that are underway at the Philadelphia Division.

"Our functions at NSWCPD span the engineering spectrum from science and technology to research and development to acquisition and sustainment through the life of ship or ship system. Integral to long-term health are partnerships like this that develop our public-private relationship, create pipeline opportunities to future employment and encourage interest in science and engineering," NSWCPD Technical Director Nigel C. Thijs, SES, said.

The EPA enables NSWCPD to loan unique and specialized hardware to the university to collaboratively address Navy-specific challenges in research partnerships. NSWCPD's subject matter experts will have the opportunity to develop and assist in teaching science and engineering courses at Rowan University. This dynamic agreement can be modified to meet the evolving needs of either organization. Additionally, it protects intellectual property, including proprietary information, data, and inventions.

"Collaboration leads to innovation. The U.S. Navy's partnerships with universities are essential for cultivating the next generation of leaders, innovators, and problem solvers," Deputy Chief Technology Officer Dr. Steve Mastro said, adding, "By forging this education agreement with Rowan University, we ensure a continuous pipeline of highly skilled individuals equipped with the knowledge and adaptability to meet the evolving challenges of national security.

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Naval Surface Warfare Center, Philadelphia Division (NSWCPD) Technical Director Nigel C. Thijs, SES and Dr. Giuseppe R. Palmese, Dean, Henry M. Rowan College of Engineering at Rowan University renewed their formal Education Partnership Agreement (EPA) during a signing ceremony at the Glassboro, New Jersey campus on Jan. 22, 2025. (U.S. Navy Photo by Gary Ell/Released)



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Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) Director Dr. Beth Schiavino-Narvaez shares a meal with prekindergarten students during family-style dining at Elliot Elementary School on MCCS Laurel Bay, South Carolina. The interaction reflects DoDEA Americas' commitment to building resilience in students by creating supportive learning environments where collaboration, empathy, and social connections help young learners thrive both academically and personally. Photo by Michael ODay



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Peachtree City, Ga. – For years, schools under the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) have quietly been setting a national standard in education, outperforming their peers in academic achievement. The secret behind this success? A longstanding commitment to fostering resilience in students.

By helping students understand and manage emotions, build strong relationships, and make responsible decisions, DoDEA has created a foundation for student success that balances academic rigor with personal growth. This focus on the whole child has been a driving force behind the system's consistent top rankings on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), also known as the Nation's Report Card.

DoDEA's resilience-building initiatives are grounded in 21st-century educational strategies that create a supportive academic, social, and emotional growth environment. Research shows that when students feel supported, classrooms become more conducive to learning. Collaborative environments, where students work in teams or small groups, naturally develop skills like communication, conflict resolution, and teamwork—key aspects of building resilience.

"Resilience is the cornerstone of success across all aspects of Marine Corps life—both on and off the battlefield. The same is true at home, in the classroom, and within our military communities," said Col. Mark Bortnem, Commanding Officer of MCAS Beaufort.

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These collaborations not only strengthen the Navy's capabilities but also contribute to the broader advancement of science, technology, and global diplomacy."

This is the seventh EPA between NSWCPD with colleges around the country. In addition to Rowan University, NSWCPD currently has partnership agreements with Villanova University, Drexel University, University of Texas Arlington, Penn State University, Temple University, and University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez.

"Today's signing is an exciting milestone for the Navy. We need all hands on deck to ensure the U.S. Navy remains the world's most capable naval force. We are excited to help cultivate talented engineers among the students educated here at Rowan, to ensure we meet our defense laboratory mission of powering today's Navy and innovating tomorrow's," Thijs said.

As the Nation's third fastest-growing public research university, Rowan University is home to a thriving multidisciplinary environment for innovative research, discovery and scholarship. A Carnegie-classified institution, the university partners with industry, government, and nonprofit organizations in New Jersey and beyond.

NSWCPD employs approximately 2,800 civilian engineers, scientists, technicians, and support personnel. The NSWCPD team does the research and development, test and evaluation, acquisition support, and in-service and logistics engineering for the non-nuclear machinery, ship machinery systems, and related equipment and material for Navy surface ships and submarines. NSWCPD is also the lead organization providing cybersecurity for all ship systems. 🌟



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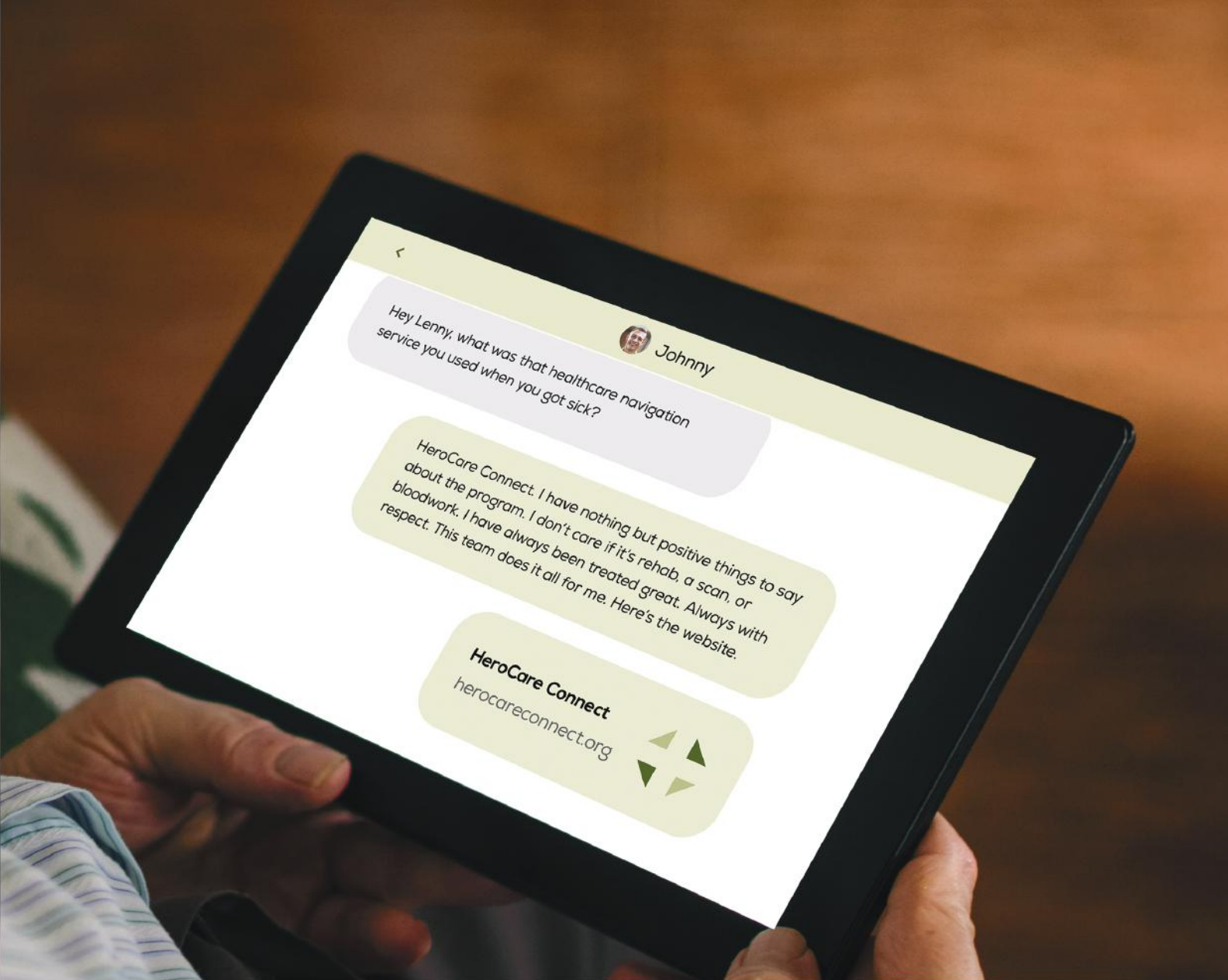


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"Using the Four Domains of Marine Corps Total Fitness—physical, mental, spiritual, and social—we take a holistic approach to strengthening the well-being of our Marines, Sailors, civilians, and their families. DoDEA's dedication to nurturing the whole child aligns seamlessly with this philosophy, ensuring military-connected students are equipped to overcome challenges and thrive. Together, we are building a resilient, adaptable community that supports mission readiness and prepares the next generation of leaders—both in and out of uniform."

In DoDEA classrooms, resilience is seamlessly woven into



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daily instruction. For example, math lessons may include group problem-solving and encourage persistence and collaboration. Literature discussions inspire empathy by analyzing characters' challenges and responses. Science experiments often involve teamwork, teaching students how to navigate setbacks constructively.

"Helping students develop resilience has been integral to our mission for decades," said Dr. Judith Minor, Americas Director for Student Excellence. "It's not an add-on or a trend—it's how we approach education. Given the numerous transitions military-connected students often need to make throughout their academic careers, resilience equips students with critical skills like self-regulation, perseverance, and collaboration, all of which translate directly to the classroom and beyond."

"Our students are not just meeting expectations—they're exceeding them," said Minor. "By prioritizing resilience, we're building leaders, innovators, and productive citizens for the future. Resilience ensures our students are not just academically capable but emotionally strong skills that set them apart not only in test scores but in life."

DoDEA operates as a field activity of the Office of the Secretary of Defense. It is responsible for planning, directing, coordinating, and managing pre-kindergarten through 12th-grade educational programs for the Department of Defense. DoDEA operates 160 accredited schools in 8 districts in 11 foreign countries, seven states, Guam, and Puerto Rico. DoDEA Americas operates 50 accredited schools across two districts, located on 16 military installations, including Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard bases in seven states, Puerto Rico, and Cuba. Committed to excellence in education, DoDEA fosters well-rounded, lifelong learners, equipping them to succeed in a dynamic world. ★

Ms. Cathleen Andrews, a third-grade teacher at Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) Bolden Elementary/Middle School, leads her class in a collaborative learning activity. Her classroom emphasizes building resilience by fostering teamwork, self-awareness, and responsible decision-making. DoDEA operates as a field activity of the Office of the Secretary of Defense. It is responsible for planning, directing, coordinating, and managing pre-kindergarten through 12th-grade educational programs for the Department of Defense. DoDEA operates 160 accredited schools in 8 districts in 11 foreign countries, seven states, Guam, and Puerto Rico. DoDEA Americas operates 50 accredited schools across two districts, located on 16 military installations, including Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, and Coast Guard bases in seven states, Puerto Rico, and Cuba. Committed to excellence in education, DoDEA fosters well-rounded, lifelong learners, equipping them to succeed in a dynamic world.



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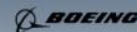
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Sgt. Sonu Kumari Shah, a finance management technician with the Army Reserve's 374th Financial Management Support Unit, and her husband Hosnarayam Sah attend a pre-deployment Yellow Ribbon event in Washington D.C. May 3-5 hosted by the 99th Readiness Division. During Army Reserve Yellow Ribbon events, the role spouses and families play in mobilizations is not only recognized but highlighted as a key component of Soldier readiness. (U.S. Army photo by Mr. Shawn Morris, 99th RD Public Affairs)



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When reserve-component Soldiers prepared for and returned home from deployments prior to 2008, programs such as Yellow Ribbon did not exist. They often had to fend for themselves when it came to issues such as finding jobs, re-adjusting to civilian life, and dealing with post-traumatic stress.

“Deployment can affect you mentally, and that can cause you physical stress,” said Sonu, who has served in the Army Reserve for over three years.

Financial counselors and other subject-matter experts are typically available during Yellow Ribbon events to advise Soldiers and their spouses on topics ranging from mortgage management to retirement planning. Another benefit is the presence of private- and public-sector community partners who offer career opportunities during the events. ⚡

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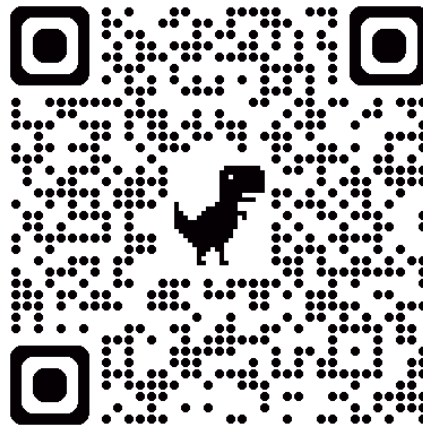
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177th Fighter Wing - NJ Air National Guard

CAMP PANTELI KATELARI, CYPRUS—Members of the New Jersey National Guard recently partnered with the Republic of Cyprus National Guard's 50th Communication Information Squadron under the State Partnership Program to exchange best practices in cybersecurity and leadership development.

The collaboration, hosted by the Cyprus National Guard, included sessions on network security, operational procedures and leadership principles tailored to both organizations' unique challenges. Participants addressed critical topics like network topology, policy enforcement and strategies to mitigate unauthorized device usage on government networks.

"We have a log that alerts us to improper device use, helping us maintain accountability and respond promptly," said Lt. Panagiotis Dimitriou of the Republic of Cyprus National Guard's Network Operations Center.

U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Brandyn Mowers, a cyber warfare operator with the New Jersey National Guard's 140th Cyberspace Operations Squadron, detailed the structured delegation of duties for maintaining cybersecurity.

"These additional duties, such as log management, are split among team members to maintain efficiency and accountability," said Mowers.

The training also focused on leadership frameworks such as the Air Force's Observe, Orient, Decide and Act loop, empowering participants to make independent, informed decisions during critical situations.

"Teaching these concepts to young NCOs equips them to act decisively in real-world scenarios," said Tech. Sgt. Michele Lat, 177th Fighter Wing Command Post command and control operator.

In addition to technical training, the exchange highlighted emotional intelligence and team dynamics as essential elements of effective leadership. Discussions emphasized fostering psychological safety and maintaining professional respect during team development stages.

"A good leader is effective because of their team," said Republic of Cyprus National Guard 1st Sgt. Nicolas Miltiadous.

Participants reviewed shared challenges such as cyberbullying and regional threats to enhance readiness and developed strategies, through scenario-based training.

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U.S. Air Force New Jersey National Guardsmen and members of the National Guard of the Republic of Cyprus participate in leadership training on November 22, 2024, at Camp Panteli Katelari, Cyprus. The Republic of Cyprus National Guard and the NJNG collaborated on NCO best practices. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Capt. Tyshawn Jenkins)

U.S. Air Force New Jersey National Guardsmen and National Guard of the Republic of Cyprus members pose for a group photo during training on November 21, 2024, at Camp Panteli Katelari, Cyprus. The Republic of Cyprus National Guard and the NJNG collaborated on NCO best practices. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Capt. Tyshawn Jenkins)



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U.S. Air Force Col. Kathleen Hasson, 305th Air Mobility Wing commander, and Japan Air Self-Defense Force Lt. Col. Namme Akihiro, 3rd Tactical Airlift Wing commander, pose for a photo at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., Dec. 10, 2024. The JASDF visit involved a subject matter expert exchange designed to enhance interoperability with U.S. Air Force KC-46A aircraft units. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Matt Porter)





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Left: Airmen assigned to the 32nd Air Refueling Squadron greet the arrival of a KC-46A aircraft assigned to the Japan Air Self-Defense Force 3rd Tactical Airlift Wing at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., Dec. 9, 2024. The JASDF visit involved a subject matter expert exchange designed to enhance interoperability with U.S. Air Force KC-46A aircraft units. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Matt Porter)

Right: U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Paul Lasorda, 32nd Air Refueling Squadron commander, greets Japan Air Self-Defense Force Lt. Col. Namme Akihiro, 3rd Tactical Airlift Wing commander, at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., Dec. 9, 2024. The JASDF visit involved a subject matter expert exchange designed to enhance interoperability with U.S. Air Force KC-46A aircraft units. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Matt Porter)



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Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst

The Japan Air Self-Defense Force visited Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst from Dec. 9 - 11, 2024, for a subject matter expert exchange designed to enhance interoperability with U.S. Air Force KC-46A aircraft units.

The exchange, involving personnel from the JASDF's 3rd Tactical Airlift Wing, Japan, and the U.S. Air Force's 305th Air Mobility Wing, focused on ground academics, operational insights, and sharing best practices in tanker operations and global mobility.

"This visit reflects the strength of the deep and enduring alliance between the United States and Japan," said U.S. Air Force Col Kathleen Hasson, 305th Air Mobility Wing commander. "By training together, we strengthen our collective ability to ensure a free and open Indo-Pacific."

A primary objective of the exchange was to improve interchangeability between U.S. and Japanese air mobility units, ensuring seamless coordination in combined missions. The KC-46A Pegasus, a state-of-the-art air refueling aircraft, played a central role in discussions and demonstrations aimed at refining refueling operations and enhancing combined mission readiness.

"The KC-46A represents a leap forward in air refueling technology," said U.S. Air Force Lt. Col. Paul LaSorda, 32nd Air Refueling

Squadron commander. "Sharing operational insights allows us to maximize this platform's potential for both nations' forces."

This exchange underscores the shared commitment of the United States and Japan to maintaining a free and open Indo-Pacific. JASDF's efforts to develop a rapid response framework align closely with U.S. initiatives to enhance regional resilience and operational flexibility.

The visit included 43 aircrew, operations support, and maintenance personnel from JB MDL and 14 JASDF personnel. By exchanging knowledge, the participants forged personal connections and a greater understanding of each other's operational frameworks, building a foundation for continued cooperation.

"It was an incredible opportunity to bring some of the best KC-46A pilots, boom operators, and aircraft maintainers together to discuss mission successes and tactics between both nations," said U.S. Air Force Capt Cara Morris.

"We are honored to be hosted by the 305th AMW and look forward to expanding these exchanges in the future," said a Lt. Col. Akihiro Namme, JASDF 3rd Tactical Airlift Wing commander. "By working together, we can address shared challenges and strengthen our collective capabilities."

As the need for increased Indo-Pacific security measures continue to mount, the 'Can Do' Wing stands poised to project power with the global reach and agile maneuver necessary to provide critical support to trusted allies in the region. ✪

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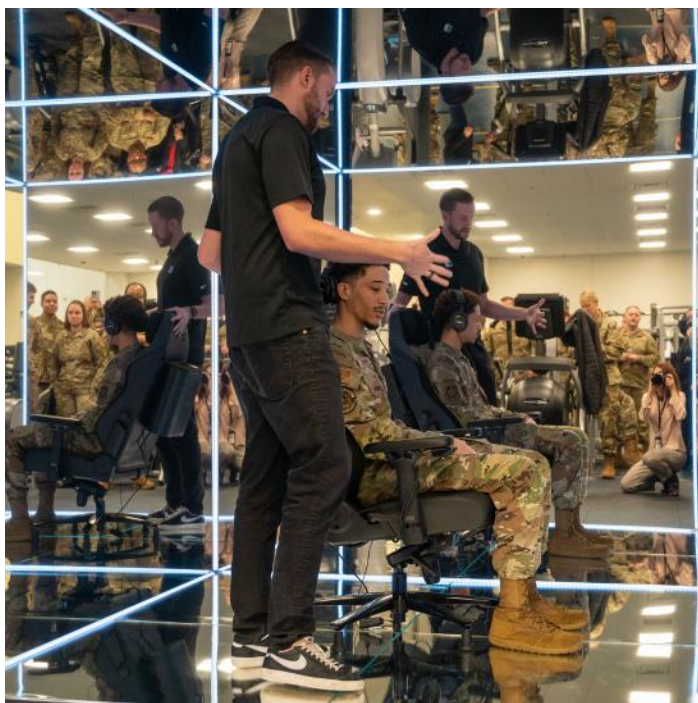
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Brandon Murphy, Lumena chief revenue officer, instructs U.S. Air Force Airman Trentist Johnson, 87th Force Support Squadron food service journeyman, inside the MindGym at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., Dec. 11, 2024. (U.S. Air Force photo by Susan Moriarty)

MINDGYM BOLSTERS MENTAL FITNESS

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Story by Susan Moriarty

Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst

A groundbreaking new facility, aimed at enhancing mental resilience and overall readiness, opened its doors during a ribbon cutting ceremony at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., Dec. 11, 2024. The MindGym, located in the McGuire Fitness Center, is designed to help service members strengthen their mental fitness and marks a significant milestone in the joint base's efforts to address the holistic wellness of its personnel.

Available to all gym patrons, the state-of-the-art MindGym is a 7-foot-tall, isolated meditation cube filled with mirrors and lights creating an immersive experience. Individuals sit within the cube and use a headset to listen to their choice of 10-20 minute programs tailored to the unique challenges faced by military members. The programs, designed by certified mental health professionals, feature options such as mindfulness training, stress management and cognitive exercises to enhance problem solving skills.

"The opening of the MindGym represents a proactive step in equipping our people with the tools they need to thrive both on and off duty," said Col. Anthony Smith, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst and 87th Air Base Wing commander. "Our mission requires not only physical readiness but also mental sharpness and resilience. This facility is a testament of our commitment to supporting the whole person."

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Dr. Janell MacAuley, a renowned expert in mindful leadership and a retired U.S. Air Force lieutenant colonel, served as the keynote speaker at the ribbon-cutting event. MacAuley praised the initiative and underscored the importance of mental fitness in the military.

"We often talk about the importance of physical fitness in the armed forces, but mental fitness is equally critical," MacAuley said. "The MindGym offers a space where individuals can learn to manage stress, improve focus and build the resilience needed to face the unique pressures of military life. This is about creating a culture of wellness that recognizes the power of the mind in achieving peak performance."

The creation of the MindGym aligns with the Department of Defense's broader focus on comprehensive wellness, which emphasizes the integration of physical, mental and emotional health. According to Smith, the MindGym is part of a larger effort to destigmatize seeking help for mental health challenges within the military.

"We want our service members to feel empowered to take charge of their mental fitness just as they do their physical fitness," Smith said. "The MindGym is a visible reminder that asking for help or seeking tools to improve your mental resilience is not a sign of weakness, but of strength."

MacAuley echoed this sentiment, emphasizing the need for leaders at all levels to champion mental fitness.



Joint base leaders join U.S. Air Force Airman Trentist Johnson, 87th Force Support Squadron food service journeyman, Dr. Janell MacAuley, mindful leadership speaker, and Nicole Moss, Intervention, Prevention and Resilience Office chief, in a MindGym ribbon cutting ceremony at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., Dec. 11, 2024. The MindGym, located in the McGuire Fitness Center, is designed to help service members strengthen their mental fitness and marks a significant milestone in the joint base's efforts to address the holistic wellness of its personnel. (U.S. Air Force photo by Susan Moriarty)

"When leaders model mindfulness and prioritize mental health, it sends a powerful message to their teams," MacAuley said. "This facility is not just a resource; it's a catalyst for cultural change within the military."

The MindGym operates during the same hours as the McGuire Fitness Center, and sessions can be scheduled using QR codes inside the fitness center. ★

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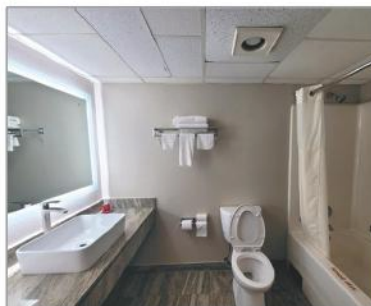
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Maj. Gen. Kris A. Belanger, commanding general of the U.S. Army Reserve's 99th Readiness Division, took part in the 248th anniversary reenactment of the Battle of Princeton Jan. 5 at Princeton Battlefield State Park in Princeton, New Jersey. (U.S. Army photo by Mr. Shawn H. Morris, 99th RD Public Affairs)

Army Reserve leader honors fallen at Princeton Battlefield

Published January 5, 2025

Story by Sgt. 1st Class Deziree Lau

99th Readiness Division

PRINCETON, N.J. – "Our hats are off to all those men who gave their lives in sacrifice to our nation," said Maj. Gen. Kris A. Belanger, commanding general of the U.S. Army Reserve's 99th Readiness Division, during the 248th anniversary reenactment of the Battle of Princeton held Jan. 5 here at Princeton Battlefield State Park.

The reenactment commenced with the sounds of canon fire, accompanied by a narrative spoken in real time by a representative of the Princeton Battlefield Society.

"It's so cold out here, but I have nothing to complain about," said Belanger, who serves at Division headquarters on Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst in central New Jersey. "Think about those

who were actually here on that day so many years ago."

Reenactors committed to their roles with travel modes of feet and horse, uniforms of that era, and life-like weaponry as they stormed the battlefield displaying the engagement of American and British troops, resulting in the victory of Washington and his men in what is known today as the Battle of Princeton.

Following the reenactment was a wreath-laying ceremony to further honor the fallen. Attending the event were representatives from military and government entities such as the U.S. Marine Corps, the Mercer County Military Action Council, Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, the Armed Forces Heritage Museum, the National Guard Militia Museum of New Jersey, and the New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Maryland National Guard.

"Thank you to everyone who continues to support our military," Belanger said. "We couldn't do what we do without your support." 🇺🇸

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NEW ARMY RESERVE AMBASSADOR APPOINTED TO 13-STATE REGION

Published November 13, 2024

By Staff Sgt. Shawn Morris

99th Readiness Division

JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST, N.J. – Maj. Gen. Kris A. Belanger, commanding general of the U.S. Army Reserve's 99th Readiness Division, has confirmed the appointment by Lieutenant General Robert D. Harter, Chief of Army Reserve and Commanding General, U.S. Army Reserve Command, of Douglas M. Reed as a United States Army Reserve Ambassador At Large for the 99th RD's 13-state region stretching from Maine to Virginia.

Reed most recently served as an Acquisition Team Leader for Pathfinder LLC. His prior experience includes Procurement Analyst for Veterans Management Services Inc., Lead Contract Specialist for the Department of Justice's Federal Bureau of Prisons, and Contract Specialist for Federal Prison Industries at the former Fort Dix (now Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst) in New Jersey.

Reed is also the former Director of Partnerships for Black Men Heal, Disabled American Veterans, Leaders In Training of Atlantic City, New Jersey. He studied Business Administration at Strayer University and Accounting at the University of Cincinnati. Reed is an advocate for veterans, prison reform and social justice.

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• JOINT BASE MCGUIRE-DIX-LAKEHURST • **CRISIS ACTION TEAM (CAT)** OPERATIONS & CAPABILITY

By Charles W. Cosenza 87 ABW/XP

The ability to rapidly respond to a time sensitive natural or man-made disasters may mean the difference between mission success or mission failure. When rapid response is critical, there is little time to properly react to the current situation and bring a staff “up to speed.” The Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst (JB MDL) Crisis Action Team (CAT) serves as the strategic command and control (C2) node for the entire joint base. The CAT provides strategic support to the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) who functions as a central operations hub and ensures first responders and other base agencies have the resources they need to complete their tasks at the tactical level. The CAT also de-conflicts and prioritizes resources and assists the EOC with situational awareness, management, and notifications. Both the EOC and CAT are aligned as part of the Disaster Response Force (DRF) to protect and preserve installation personnel, resources, and property.

Maintaining and running the JB MDL CAT is the responsibility of the 87th Air Base Wing Plans & Programs Directorate (87 ABW/XP) whose analysts serve as CAT executives for all duties associated with CAT operations upon activation. The primary mission of the CAT is continuity of operations for the joint base focusing on mission execution across the entire installation rather than single focused management of an incident. The decision to activate the CAT in support of contingency operations is the sole responsibility of the JB commander. The 2009 BRAC restructuring of JB MDL required the 87 ABW commander to be dual hatted by serving as both wing commander for normal day-to-day activities as well as the JB commander in time of crisis. Given this unique line of authority, the 87th ABW commander controls the “life support”

of the installation (food, fuel, housing, transportation, security, infrastructure, etc.) and as JB commander has tasking authority over tenant commands and service components to ensure crisis resolution.

The decision by the JB commander to activate the CAT may be triggered by one of several factors. A directive from higher headquarters at Air Mobility Command (AMC), responding to active shooters, real-world contingencies such as major accident response or aircraft mishaps, adverse weather, terrorist activity, hurricane evacuation, full-scale exercise support, real-world force protection condition (FPCON) change, requests from sister wings or mission partners, or simply at the sole discretion of the JB commander. Undoubtedly, the longest CAT activations were the JB MDL response to the 9-11 terrorist attacks in 2001 and more recently in response to the COVID pandemic in early 2020. Once an activation decision is made the CAT can assemble within two hours in three different types of activation support postures.



The first and most common type of CAT activation is the Primary CAT which is comprised of Air Force centric leaders and key leadership from both the 8th 7 ABW and 305th Air Mobility Wing (305th AMW) to respond and preserve life, property, and continuity of the primary mission. The second type of CAT activation is the Mobility CAT designed for mobilizing and deploying personnel. The Mobility CAT includes all Primary CAT members but is expanded by adding skill sets and capabilities from additional key leaders and agencies from remaining Air Force assets and select partners throughout the installation. Lastly, the Joint Base CAT is the largest type of CAT activation and includes all Primary and Mobility CAT members but

further expands capability and intent by including representatives from the remaining military components located throughout JB MDL in addition to adding representatives from the 88 JB MDL mission partners. This Joint Base CAT supports events that directly affects all our mission partners requiring their input to make timely decisions. In response to the 9-11 terrorist attacks for example, the Joint Base CAT was activated for two months following the attack. In support of COVID, Joint Base CAT activation lasted just over six months from March 13 to September 17, 2020.

Since these two large-scale activations, the JB MDL CAT has gone through many procedural and operational changes. The JB MDL Command, Control and Communication Support Plan (C3P SPLAN) was written and outlines agency command directives in the form of "Will" actions for contingency/ emergency support operations on JB MDL. The C3P provides procedures for placing JB MDL in a readiness posture that facilitates a concentrated, timely application of resources to mitigate emerging situations while pre-

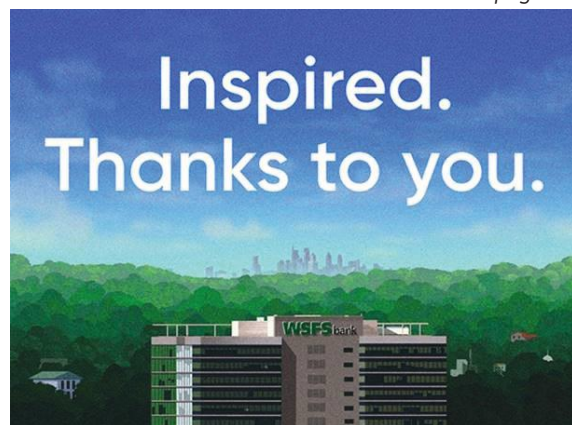
serving continuity of the primary mission. It further defines the duties and responsibilities of the CAT, the Executive Support Staff (ESS), and defines tasks associated with activating the CAT and supporting unit control centers.

The largest and most significant upgrade and improvement



to CAT operations came on April 7, 2022 when AMC directed all subordinate installations and commanders to utilize the Command-and-Control Incident Management Emergency Response Application (C2IMERA) beginning in January 2023. C2MIERA is an automated U.S. Air Force C2 system with the ability to provide an integrated common operating picture (COP) for a large variety of installation resources available for employment as well as increased situational awareness of incidents and events affecting installations. Hosted in the DoD Mil Cloud-native system accessed through both .mil (NIPRNet) and commercial networks, this web-based system is currently being utilized within JB MDL CAT operations for planning, movements, force deployment, employment exercises, inspections, recall management, and C2. C2MIERA is an

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Future initiatives include monthly engagements and joint summer training events involving Cyprus, Albania and the New Jersey National Guard.

These efforts aim to strengthen operational readiness and deepen trust between the partners.

"The State Partnership Program allows us to integrate exercises diplomatically, building effective strategies for common threats," said Ferrie. "It's about learning from one another and preparing for the future."

By combining technical expertise with leadership development, the partnership continues to enhance cybersecurity resilience and cultivate a shared commitment to mission success. Participants reviewed shared challenges such as cyberbullying and regional threats to enhance readiness and developed strategies, through scenario-based training.

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U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Brandyn Mowers, Cyber Warfare Operator of the 140th Cyber Operations Squadron, addresses National Guard of the Republic of Cyprus members during training on November 18, 2024 at Camp Panteli Katelari, Cyprus. The Cypriot national guardsmen and the 140th COS collaborated on cyber warfare best practices. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Capt. Tyshawn Jenkins)

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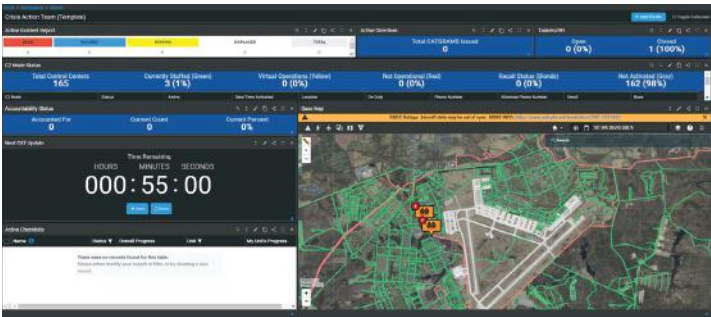


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enhanced push and pull system that allows the CAT the ability to observe an integrated composite picture of resources in real-time and provides a reliable means to manage emergency actions. JB MDL became the AMC test bed for implementing C2MIERA obtaining full mission capability (FMC) in June 2024. In addition, C2MIERA serves as an AMC system of record by allowing AMC to observe and monitor JB MDL day-to-day activities and incident emergency response operations. The C2 system was designed to allow higher headquarters staff the ability to monitor the health and the status of individual installations and units under their control.

Within JB MDL, C2MIERA is also utilized by the EOC and subordinate unit control centers during exercises and actual real-world events. C2MIERA provides senior leaders, decision makers, emergency first responders and functional users assembled in the CAT enhanced capability for C3P.

Currently the CAT is installing secure video conferencing (SVTC) capability to conduct virtual secure meetings that protects the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the meeting's data and participants. SVTC will provide end-to-end encryption that is password protected for virtual communications with assets across the globe. JB MDL CAT checklists housed in C2MIERA are constantly being refined, updated, and streamlined for improved operational efficiency. These CAT checklists serve as a tool that help key leaders carry out their assigned responsibilities during a crisis. Enabled by an established, collaborative network to increase secure and



unclassified communications efficiency, the range of options for the CAT to respond to crisis situations is improved by an order of magnitude. Not only do these improvements and upgrades to the CAT improve JB MDL operational capability, they also save valuable planning time and resources allowing the CAT to review and analyze other focus areas throughout the joint base. This state-of-the-art facility increases JB MDL ability to plan for and support the execution of additional contingencies before they become a crisis.

Undoubtedly, JB MDL will continue to deliver efficient and effective installation support for military missions and contingency operations. By providing unrivaled installation support to all mission commanders and mission-ready, motivated, expeditionary military personnel to our combatant commanders, JB MDL is committed to remaining America's premier joint warfighting installation and the air mobility center of excellence. Through efficient and improved CAT capability to employ tailorable, adaptive, mission planning tools that enhance the ability to operate within the military decision-making cycle, JB MDL key leaders and decision makers are more equipped to be proactive rather reactive should a natural or man-made event occur requiring CAT activation and emergency response operations. This allows JB MDL forces to continue providing a premier joint and total force platform enabling global mobility across air, land, sea, and cyber domains. 🌟

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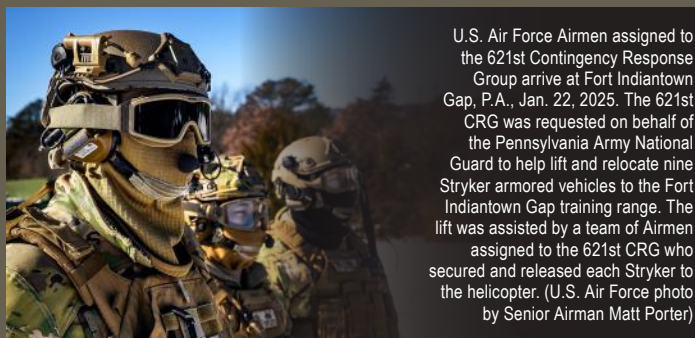
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U.S. Marine Corps Maj. Michaela Amore, Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 772 helicopter pilot, preps a CH-53E Super Stallion helicopter for takeoff at Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, N.J., Jan. 22, 2025. The helicopter was requested on behalf of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard to lift and relocate nine Stryker armored vehicles to the Fort Indiantown Gap training range. The lift was assisted by a team of U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 621st Contingency Response Group who secured and released each Stryker to the helicopter. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Matt Porter)



U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 621st Contingency Response Group arrive at Fort Indiantown Gap, P.A., Jan. 22, 2025. The 621st CRG was requested on behalf of the Pennsylvania Army National Guard to help lift and relocate nine Stryker armored vehicles to the Fort Indiantown Gap training range. The lift was assisted by a team of Airmen assigned to the 621st CRG who secured and released each Stryker to the helicopter. (U.S. Air Force photo by Senior Airman Matt Porter)

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"HMH 772 routinely executes external lift operations with the 621st CRG," said Maj. Michaela Amore, HMH 772 helicopter pilot. "Typically, we lift training loads to increase proficiency; however, we are always looking to lift real-world equipment as well and are in the process of setting up a High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle lift in the coming months."

The heavy-lift operation underscores the Marine Corps Reserve's role in supporting active duty forces. HMH 772, with its CH-53E Super Stallion—the only military helicopter capable of lifting such loads—regularly participates in joint operations and training exercises, such as Exercise Jaded Thunder, to strengthen interoperability.

"Thanks to our ongoing collaboration with HMH 772, we're able to support their operations effectively," said U.S. Air Force Master Sgt. Von Denes, 621st CRG self-assessment program manager. "This mission highlights the importance of maintaining strong relationships across branches. We had the working relationship, so as a result we were able to jump right in to get this lift off the ground."

Additionally, U.S. Army Support Activity Fort Dix has been instrumental in supporting the operational growth of Fort Indiantown Gap's training range. Through infrastructure enhancements and operational planning, the partnership aims to create a state-of-the-art training environment for joint and coalition forces.

"This was a true team effort, from weighing and prepping the vehicles to coordinating risk assessments across branches," Shea added. "The outcome is a more capable training range and improved readiness for all involved." ★

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Reed retired from the U.S. Army Reserve in March 2006 at the rank of E-8/First Sergeant. During his 22-year Army career, Reed served as a drill sergeant, ANCOC/BNCOC course instructor, Equal Opportunity representative, and drug/alcohol representative, among many other assignments.

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information at nj.gov/military



June 11-13

**DMAVA Veterans Outreach Campaign
American Legion State Convention
Wednesday, June 11 8am-4pm
Thursday, June 12 8am-4pm
Friday, June 14 8am-2pm
Wildwood Convention Center
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June 11 • 9am-5pm

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June 12 • 5:30pm

**NJ DMAVA & YWCA
Women Veterans Appreciation Day
Medal Ceremony
Farleigh Dickinson University - Florham Campus
285 Madison Ave, Madison, NJ 07940
To apply for a Medal, contact Jennifer
Jennifer.Glazewski@dmava.nj.gov**

June 16

**DMAVA Veterans Outreach Campaign
and Medal Ceremony
Disabled American Veterans
State Convention
Wildwood Convention Center
4501 Boardwalk, Wildwood, NJ 08269
Female Vets Medal Ceremony: 11am - Ballroom C
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June 24 • 10am-2pm

**NJ MVC & NJ DMAVA
Veterans Outreach Campaign
Hosted by The Sussex County
Sheriff's Department
Sussex County Technical School
105 North Church Road, Sparta, NJ 07871**

June 24 • 9am-5pm

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June 24 • 9am-5pm

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July 10 • 9am-5pm

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July 18 • 9am-2pm

**NJ MVC & NJ DMAVA
Veterans Outreach Campaign
Hosted by NJ Assemblyman
Michael Inganamort
Budd Lake Senior Center Parking Lot
204 Flanders Drakestown Rd, Budd Lake, NJ 07403**

July 21 • 10am-3:30pm

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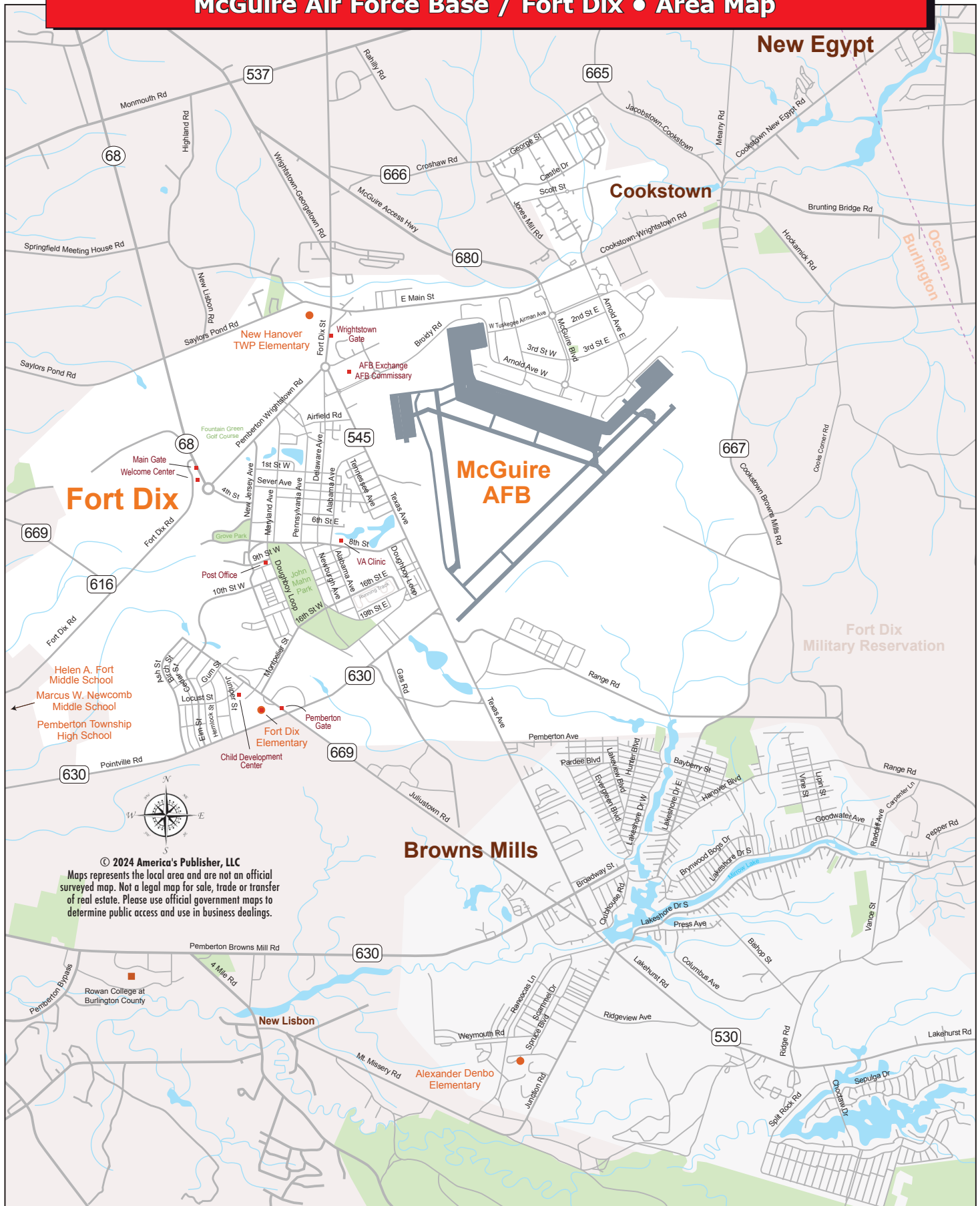
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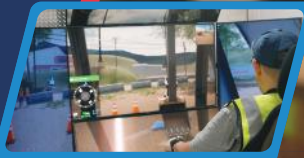
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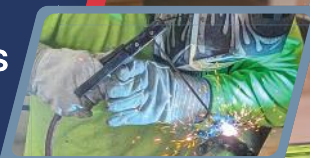
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