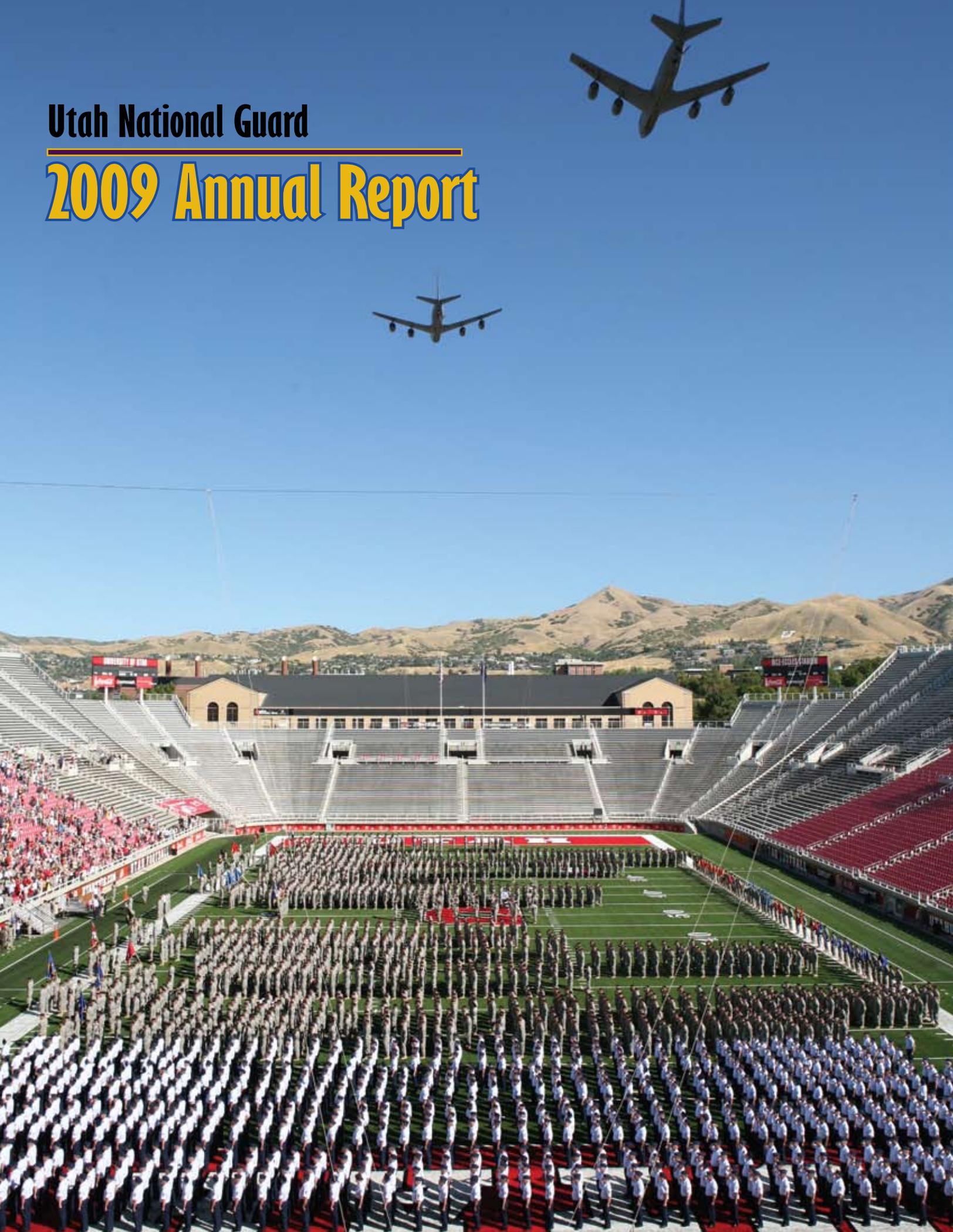


**Utah National Guard**

# **2009 Annual Report**



# The Honorable Jon M. Huntsman, Jr.

THE GOVERNOR OF UTAH IS THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF of the Utah National Guard and can use its full resources for domestic emergencies or as otherwise required by state law.



**Jon M. Huntsman, Jr.**  
Governor of Utah, Commander in Chief

Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. escorts his wife, Mary Kay Huntsman, as he is sworn in during the inauguration ceremony on the Utah State Capitol steps Jan. 5, 2009.



# The Honorable Gary R. Herbert

GOVERNOR Gary Herbert took office on Aug. 11, 2009 after Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr., resigned and was appointed as United States Ambassador to China.



**Gary R. Herbert**  
Governor of Utah, Commander in Chief



Governor Gary R. Herbert is sworn in during the inauguration ceremony in the Utah State Capitol rotunda Aug. 11, 2009.



# Major General Brian L. Tarbet



**Major General Brian L. Tarbet**  
The Adjutant General, Utah National Guard

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL, selected by the governor, oversees the day-to-day operations of the Utah National Guard and serves as a key member of the governor's cabinet and staff.

**VISION** - The Guard is America's Army. We are community based but with capabilities that stretch worldwide. The 373-year tradition that we enjoy as Guard members is, in every sense, as relevant today as during colonial times.

**MISSION** - The Utah National Guard has a unique dual mission that encompasses support to our Nation and to the State of Utah as follows:

**FEDERAL MISSION** - Maintain properly trained and equipped units available for prompt mobilization for war, national emergency or as otherwise needed.

**STATE MISSION** - Provide trained and disciplined forces for domestic emergencies or as otherwise required by state law.

**GOALS AND OBJECTIVES** - It is our goal to have the finest National Guard units in the Nation in the Utah National Guard. Each Utah Guard member has the goal to be the best officer, noncommissioned officer, Soldier or Airman possible. We will continue to build on the tradition that when units of the Utah National Guard arrive, the "First Team" is taking the field.

## The Adjutant General's Introduction

THIS HAS BEEN AN EVENTFUL AND CHALLENGING YEAR for the members of the Utah National Guard and their families. At year end, we have the fewest number of Guardsmen deployed in eight years, but we have been extremely busy

with continuing transformation and reorganization of our formations. This has hardly been a year to "catch our breath," but much has been done.

During this past year, the Utah National Guard has

LEFT TO RIGHT: Major General Brian Tarbet welcomes home a 2-211th Aviation Soldier as he deplanes.

Tarbet walks down the Utah Capitol steps prior to Gov. Huntsman's inauguration ceremony. Tarbet salutes the troops during Governor's Day. Soldiers with 2-211th Aviation are greeted by Tarbet as they return from their year-long deployment.



been busily engaged throughout the world. Of course, our participation in operations in Iraq and Afghanistan have been essential in the overall strategy being prosecuted in those countries. We have also seen supporting deployments in Turkey; Kuwait; Qatar; Azerbaijan; Curaçao; Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; and Morocco. Additionally, we trained in Germany, Georgia, Thailand, Japan and Korea. Our Soldiers and Airmen have performed superbly whenever and wherever they have served.

We continue to meet with great success in achieving our recruitment and retention goals, both in the Army and the Air Guard. In the ARNG, our Recruit Sustainment Program is the number-one-ranked program in the entire country. Talented and physically fit young people continue to join our ranks, and seasoned and tested Veterans remain in our formations to provide leadership for future contingencies.

Our physical facilities continue to improve. We will dedicate the new North Salt Lake armory in early 2010. Also, the new dining facility and community club have been great additions at Camp Williams for our Soldiers. The RTI complex is the crown jewel of our training efforts. We are in the process of renovating many of our dated armories in Vernal, Price, Springville, American Fork and at Camp Williams to provide better facilities for our Soldiers. Additionally, we broke ground for the new fire station at the Utah Air National Guard Base which will foster and enhance the safety of our Airmen.

Our Congressional delegation and the members of our State Legislature have been great advocates for our Soldiers and Airmen. This support has been vital in preparing us for the future by laying the groundwork for success in terms of personnel, facilities, Of particular note is the ongoing of real estate we have estate at Camp Williams.

I am especially grateful to our uniformed personnel and civilians, both staff and volunteers, who do so much to support our Family Support programs. They are tireless and have been a mainstay in supporting our troops and their families. We would not succeed without them.

Our other vital partner is our employers. I appreciate the support they have given and continue to give us. Many do much more than the law requires and are tireless in supporting our troops. We would not succeed without them and we cannot thank them enough. I also appreciate those who are involved with our Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve program. Many volunteer countless hours to assist our Soldiers and Airmen and to mediate what few conflicts we have.

Our State Partnership Program with Morocco continues to thrive. We learn a great deal from our Moroccan

colleagues in terms of military acumen and in preparation for domestic emergencies. Our children greatly enjoy the exchange each year, and it has become a capstone event in the partnership.

This year, we were privileged to conduct two inaugurations. It has been an honor to serve Gov. Huntsman, who has now become U.S. Ambassador to China. We welcome Gov. Herbert, a former Guardsman, and look forward to his service as our commander in chief.

This past August, senior leaders and our Soldier and Airman of the year had the distinct privilege to visit the beaches of Normandy under the expert instruction of COL (Ret.) Steve Bowman. We stood together on hallowed ground at Pegasus Bridge, Gold, Sword, Juno, Utah and Omaha Beaches, as well as Pointe du Hoc. It was our great honor to retire the colors at the American Cemetery at Colville-sur-Mer on the bluff above Omaha Beach. We will never forget this remarkable opportunity to learn about devotion to duty and selfless sacrifice of Americas' greatest generation.

The Utah National Guard is one of the state's enduring and priceless institutions. To be a Citizen-Soldier or Airman at this moment in history is a privilege and honor. Your Guard members today are truly the torchbearers of freedom, and they stand on the shoulders of those great Soldiers and Airmen who have gone before. The Nation and the State of Utah are well served by these great Patriots. 

## Army and Air Senior Leadership

Utah National Guard

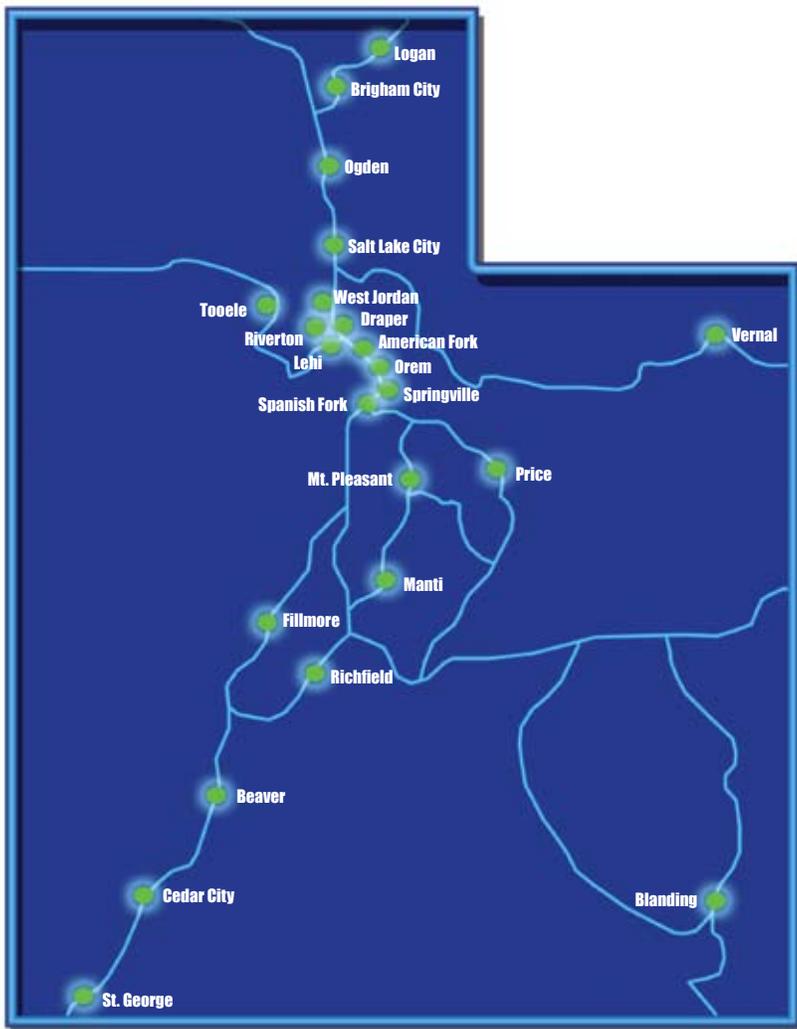


LEFT TO RIGHT: Command Chief Master Sgt. Robert Hill, Air; Brig. Gen. Scott Harrison, Deputy Commander, Joint Forces Headquarters; Brig. Gen. David Hooper, Assistant Adjutant General, Air; Maj. Gen. Brian Tarbet, Adjutant General; Brig. Gen. Jefferson Burton, Assistant Adjutant General, Army; Col. Lawrence Schmidt, Chief of the Joint Staff; Command Sgt. Maj. Bruce Summers, Army.

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## Armory Locations - Utah National Guard



# Unit Locations

## Utah Army National Guard

### American Fork

FSC, 1457th Engineer Bn  
HHC, 1457th Engineer Bn

### Beaver

C Btry (-), 2-222nd Field Artillery Bn

### Blanding

Det 1, 118th Sapper Co

### Brigham City

Det 1, A Btry, 1-145th Field Artillery Bn

### Cedar City

HHC, 2-222nd Field Artillery Bn

### Draper

Joint Forces Headquarters - Utah  
Recruiting and Retention Command  
97th Troop Command  
128th Mobile Public Affairs Det  
115th Maintenance Co (Gs)  
1993rd Contingency Contracting Team  
HHC, 19th Special Forces Gp  
HHC, 300th Military Intelligence Bde  
A Co, 141st Military Intelligence Bn  
HHC, 142nd Military Intelligence Bn  
A Co, 142nd Military Intelligence Bn  
C Co, 142nd Military Intelligence Bn

### Fillmore

Det 1, C Btry, 2-222nd Field Artillery Bn

### Fort Douglas

Fort Douglas Military Museum

### Lehi

85th Civil Support Team (WMD)

### Logan

A Btry (-), 1-145th Field Artillery  
B Co, 141st Military Intelligence Bn

### Manti

B Btry, 1-145th Field Artillery Bn

### Mt. Pleasant

Det 1, 116th Engineer Co (Horizontal)  
Det 1, D Co, 141st Military Intelligence Bn

### Ogden

197th Special Troops Company  
B Co, 142nd Military Intelligence Bn  
C Co, 1-19th Special Forces Bn (Abn)

### Orem

HHC, 141st Military Intelligence Bn  
C Co, 141st Military Intelligence Bn  
D Co, 142nd Military Intelligence Bn

### Price

Det 1, 624th Engineer Co (Vertical)

### Richfield

A Btry, 2-222nd Field Artillery Bn

### Riverton

118th Sapper Co (-)  
115th Engineer Facilities Det  
HHC, 204th Maneuver Enhancement Bde  
HHD, 489th Brigade Support Bn  
B Co, 489th Maintenance Co  
217th Signal Co  
HHB, 65th Fires Bde  
HHB, 1-145th Field Artillery Bn  
HHD (-), 1-19th Special Forces Gp (Abn)  
REC, 1-19th Special Forces Bn (Abn)  
BSC, 1-19th Special Forces Bn (Abn)  
B Co, 1-19th Special Forces Bn (Abn)  
GSC, 19th Special Forces Gp (Abn)  
Training Site Command - Utah  
640th Regiment-Regional Training Institute  
Medical Command  
144th Area Support Medical Co

### Salt Lake City

Det 50, Opns Spt Airlift

### Spanish Fork

116th Engineer Co (-) (Horizontal)  
A Co, 489th Distribution Co  
C Btry, 1-145th Field Artillery Bn

### Springville

624th Engineer Co (-) (Vertical)

### St. George

D Co, 141st Military Intelligence Bn  
B Btry, 2-222nd Field Artillery Bn  
213th Forward Support Co

### Tooele

214th Forward Support Co

### Vernal

Det 2, 624th Engineer Co (Vertical)

### West Jordan

23rd Army Band  
97th Aviation Troop Command  
HHC, 1-211th Aviation Bn  
A Co, 1-211th Aviation Bn  
B Co, 1-211th Aviation Bn  
C Co, 1-211th Aviation Bn  
D Co, 1-211th Aviation Bn  
E Co, 1-211th Aviation Bn  
HHC, 2-211th Aviation Bn (GSAB)  
A Co, 2-211th Aviation Bn (GSAB)  
D Co, 2-211th Aviation Bn (GSAB)  
E Co, 2-211th Aviation Bn (GSAB)  
Det 3, HHC, 2-285th Aviation Assault Bn  
Det 1, C Co, 2-285th Aviation Assault Bn  
Det 3, D Co, 2-285th Aviation Assault Bn  
Det 3, E Co, 2-285th Aviation Assault Bn

## Utah Air National Guard

### Hill Air Force Base

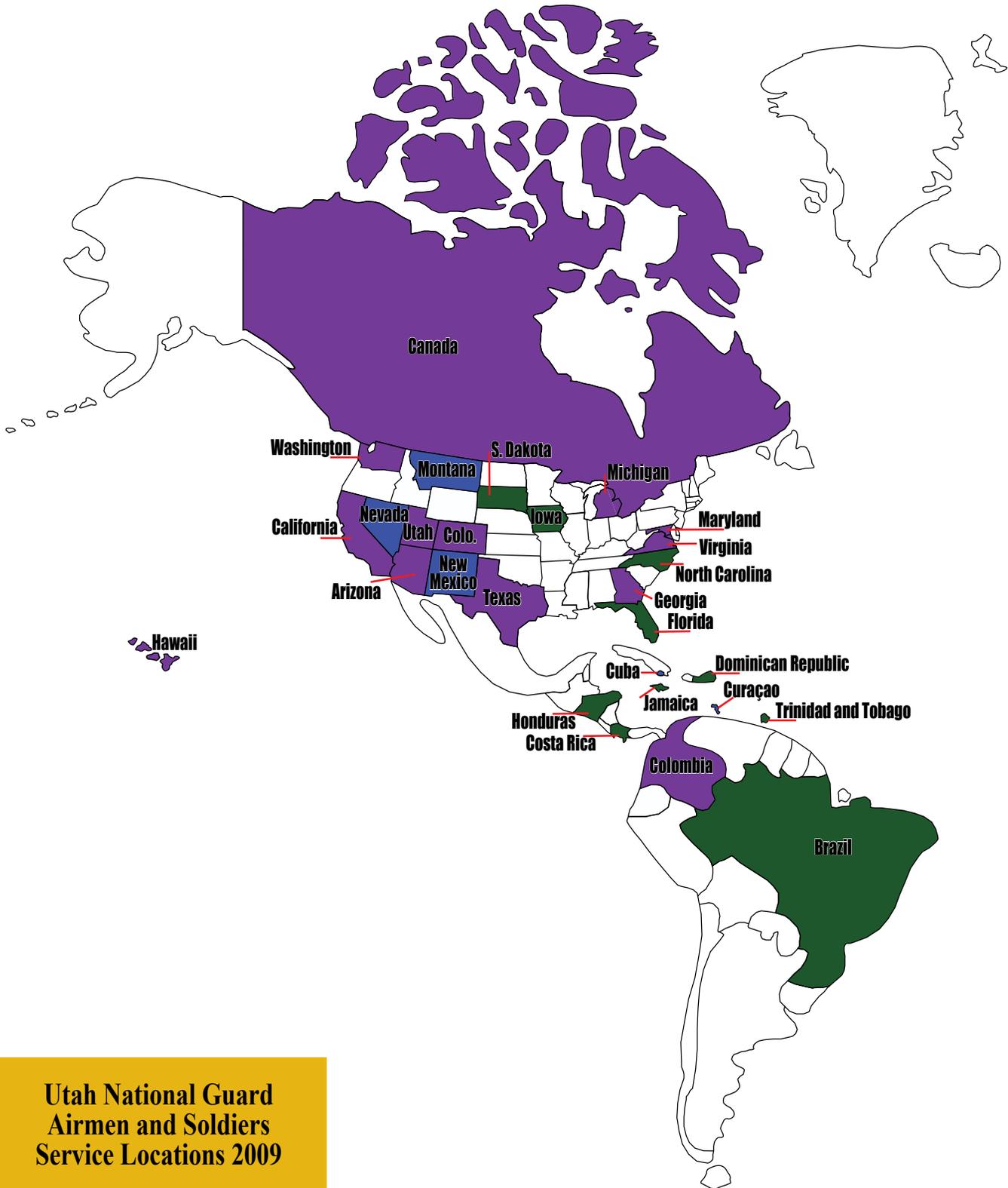
299th Range Control Squadron

### Salt Lake City

HQ, Utah Air National Guard  
101st Information Operations Flight  
109th Air Control Squadron  
130th Engineer Installation Squadron  
169th Intelligence Squadron  
HQ, 151st Air Refueling Wing  
151st Operations Group  
151st Operations Support Flight  
191st Air Refueling Squadron  
151st Maintenance Group  
151st Maintenance Squadron  
151st Aircraft Maintenance Squadron  
151st Maintenance Opns Flight  
151st Mission Support Group  
151st Log Readiness Squadron  
151st Civil Engineering Squadron  
151st Services Flight  
151st Security Force Squadron  
151st Military Personnel Flight  
151st Communications Flight  
151st Medical Group



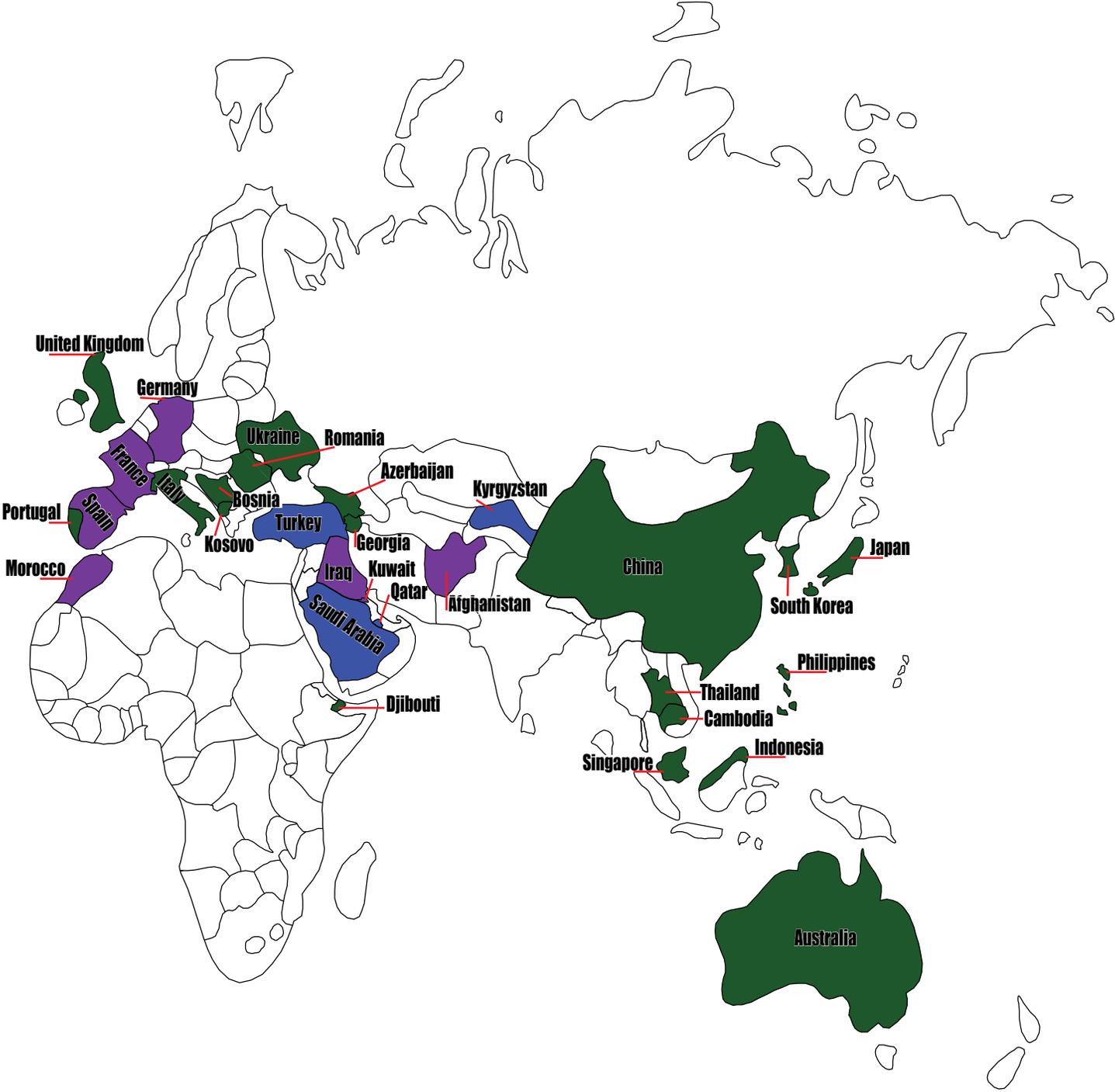
# Utah National Guard Airmen and Soldiers



Utah National Guard  
Airmen and Soldiers  
Service Locations 2009

-  Airmen
-  Soldiers
-  Joint

# Serving Their Country Around the World



# Economic-Impact Statement

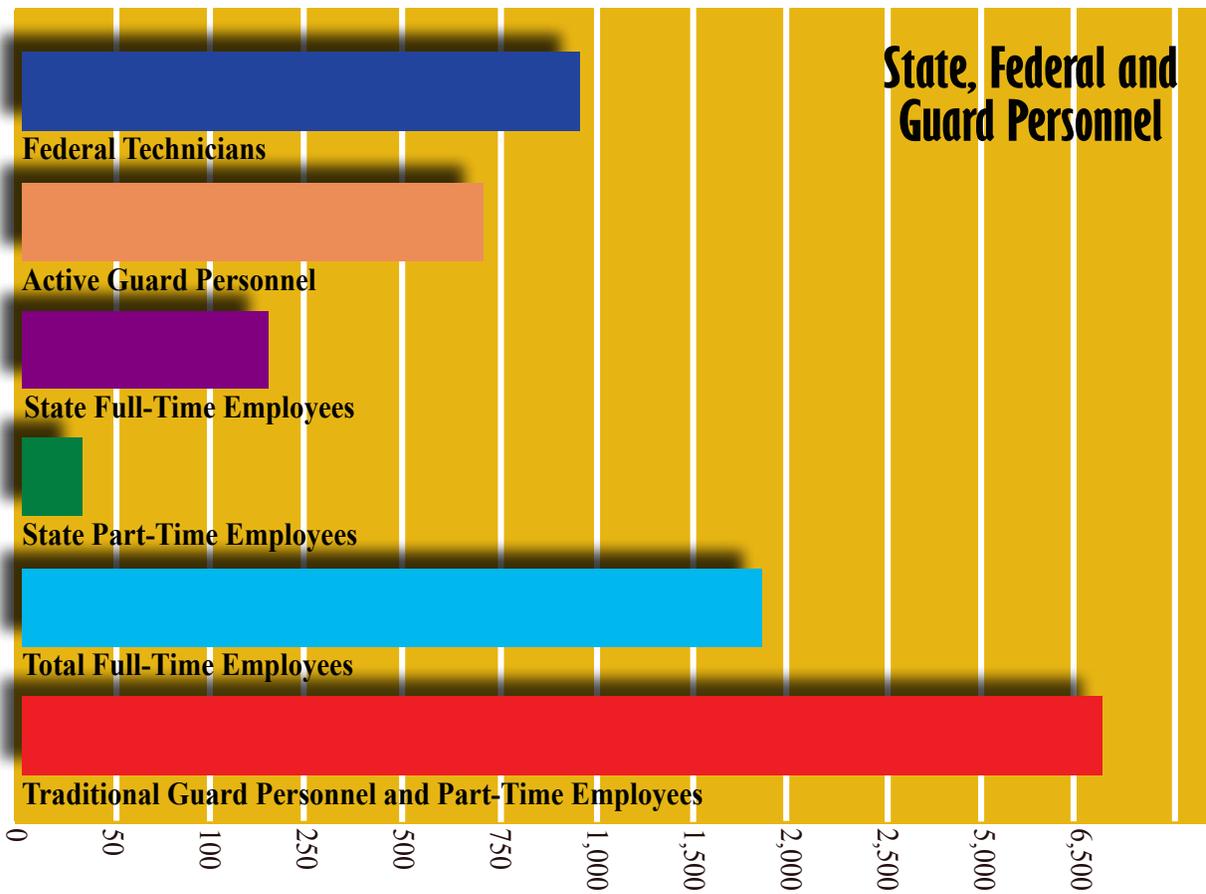
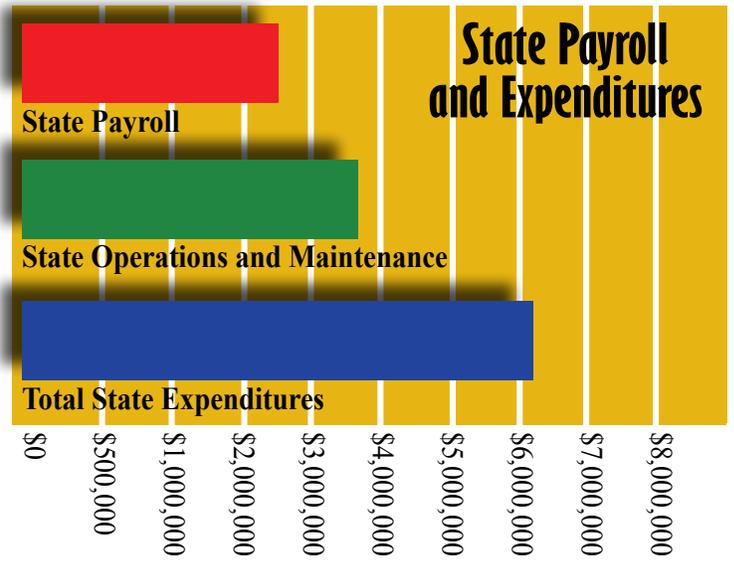
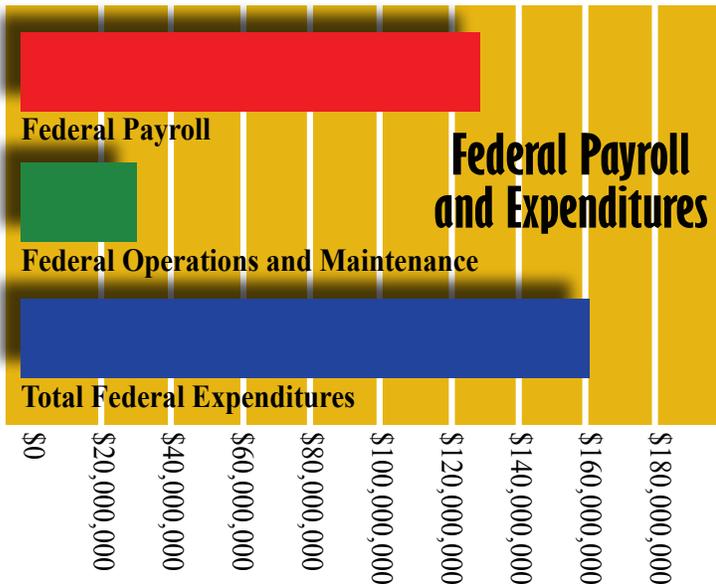
## Fiscal Year 2009

Oct. 1, 2008 to  
Sept. 30, 2009

CITY	COUNTY	UTAH SENATE DISTRICT	UTAH HOUSE DISTRICT	CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT - U.S.	FEDERAL TECHNICIANS	ACTIVE GUARD PERSONNEL	STATE FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES	STATE PART-TIME EMPLOYEES	TOTAL FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES	TRADITIONAL GUARD MEMBERS & PART-TIME EMPLOYEES	FEDERAL CONSTRUCTION
American Fork	Utah	14	58	3	4	13	--	1	18	152	\$1,017,400
Beaver	Beaver	28	73	1	4	5	--	1	10	80	--
Blanding	San Juan	27	69	3	--	2	--	1	3	56	--
Brigham City	Box Elder	24	2	1	--	--	--	1	1	56	--
Cedar City	Iron	29	72	1	7	10	--	1	18	100	--
Draper	Salt Lake	5	51	2	346	233	45	3	627	650	\$61,684
Dugway	Tooele	13	21	1	1	--	1	--	2	3	--
Fillmore	Millard	28	68	2	1	2	--	1	4	50	\$4,252
Fort Douglas	Salt Lake	3	28	2	--	--	2	3	5	6,377	--
Lehi	Utah	13	56	3	7	18	--	1	26	25	--
Logan	Cache	24	5	1	2	5	--	1	8	140	\$7,320
Manti	Sanpete	28	69	3	4	4	--	1	9	120	\$12,876
Mt. Pleasant	Sanpete	28	69	3	3	2	--	1	6	60	\$36,370
Ogden	Weber	18	10	1	12	6	--	1	19	145	\$42,993
Orem	Utah	27	58	3	1	19	--	1	21	186	--
Price	Carbon	27	67	3	2	3	--	1	6	60	\$1,269,000
Richfield	Sevier	28	70	3	4	3	--	1	8	90	\$110,374
Riverton	Salt Lake	5	47	3	59	126	47	--	232	1,970	\$17,618,273
Salt Lake City	Salt Lake	3	27	2	--	3	--	--	3	--	--
SLC Airport	Salt Lake	2	22	2	308	164	44	10	526	1,390	\$10,000,011
Spanish Fork	Utah	17	66	3	15	12	--	1	28	330	\$49,594
Springville	Utah	17	66	3	--	1	--	--	1	50	--
St. George	Washington	29	75	1	8	10	--	2	20	236	\$68,404
Tooele	Tooele	13	1	3	5	3	--	1	9	70	\$12,955
Vernal	Uintah	26	55	3	2	1	--	1	4	53	--
West Jordan	Salt Lake	6	42	3	117	50	3	--	170	695	\$285,027
	TOTALS				912	695	142	35	1,784	6,773	\$30,596,533

CITY	FEDERAL PAYROLL	FEDERAL OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE	TOTAL FEDERAL EXPENDITURES	STATE PAYROLL	STATE OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE	TOTAL STATE EXPENDITURES	TOTAL STATE & FEDERAL EXPENDITURES
American Fork	\$1,275,637	\$233,603	\$1,509,240	\$1,772	\$27,367	\$29,139	\$1,538,379
Beaver	\$75,083	\$222,628	\$1,097,711	\$1,535	\$97,254	\$98,789	\$1,196,500
Blanding	\$80,307	\$242,718	\$323,025	\$1,535	\$66,335	\$67,870	\$390,895
<b>Brigham City</b>	<b>\$105,321</b>	<b>\$220,624</b>	<b>\$325,945</b>	<b>\$1,594</b>	<b>\$21,435</b>	<b>\$23,029</b>	<b>\$23,029</b>
Cedar City	\$1,106,325	\$468,353	\$1,574,678	\$1,535	\$41,875	\$43,410	\$1,618,088
<b>Draper</b>	<b>\$60,135,472</b>	<b>\$1,026,076</b>	<b>\$61,161,548</b>	<b>\$1,725,617</b>	<b>\$2,270,528</b>	<b>\$3,996,145</b>	<b>\$65,157,693</b>
Dugway	\$67,502	\$413,733	\$481,235	--	--	\$9,473	\$9,473
Fillmore	\$167,582	\$84,974	\$252,556	\$1,535	\$40,528	\$42,063	\$294,619
Fort Douglas	--	\$26,000	\$26,000	\$183,786	\$20,595	\$204,381	\$204,381
Lehi	\$967,852	\$127,414	\$1,095,266	\$1,535	\$26,406	\$27,941	\$1,123,207
Logan	\$321,232	\$255,425	\$576,657	\$2,244	\$48,284	\$50,528	\$627,185
<b>Manti</b>	<b>\$401,540</b>	<b>\$223,125</b>	<b>\$624,665</b>	<b>\$863</b>	<b>\$19,423</b>	<b>\$20,286</b>	<b>\$644,951</b>
Mt. Pleasant	\$465,124	\$146,153	\$611,277	\$2,185	\$19,113	\$21,298	\$632,575
<b>Ogden</b>	<b>\$1,284,932</b>	<b>\$431,087</b>	<b>\$1,716,019</b>	<b>\$1,208</b>	<b>\$76,255</b>	<b>\$77,463</b>	<b>\$1,793,482</b>
Orem	\$722,744	\$217,131	\$939,905	\$2,244	\$93,121	\$95,365	\$1,035,270
Price	\$189,754	\$245,718	\$435,472	\$2,244	\$52,646	\$54,890	\$490,362
Richfield	\$497,156	\$210,679	\$707,835	\$1,535	\$32,878	\$34,413	\$742,248
Riverton	\$10,821,120	\$1,090,000	\$11,911,120	\$96,394	\$224,934	\$321,328	\$12,232,448
Salt Lake City	\$80,307	\$184,562	\$264,869	--	--	--	\$264,869
<b>SLC Airport</b>	<b>\$25,257,300</b>	<b>\$23,746,930</b>	<b>\$49,004,230</b>	<b>\$409,073</b>	<b>\$281,269</b>	<b>\$690,342</b>	<b>\$49,694,572</b>
Spanish Fork	\$1,766,782	\$496,212	\$2,262,994	\$6,323	\$65,216	\$71,539	\$2,334,533
<b>Springville</b>	<b>\$481,849</b>	<b>\$222,718</b>	<b>\$704,567</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>\$704,567</b>
St. George	\$1,044,007	\$396,555	\$1,440,562	\$3,321	\$2,924	\$6,245	\$1,446,807
Tooele	\$319,046	\$246,426	\$568,472	263	\$23,771	\$24,034	\$592,506
Vernal	\$101,234	\$215,685	\$316,919	\$1,535	\$19,427	\$20,962	\$337,881
West Jordan	\$18,821,735	\$1,806,501	\$20,628,236	\$49,656	\$172,327	\$221,953	\$20,850,219
	\$127,356,973	\$33,204,030	\$160,561,003	\$2,499,532	\$3,743,911	\$6,252,916	\$165,980,739

# Payroll, Expenditures and Personnel



# 2009 Highlights

## LOCAL SERVICE

- The 85th Civil Support team worked with local first responders statewide and trained in Utah with their counterparts with the Hawaii and Guam National Guards to respond to simulated HAZMAT incidents
- Members of the 211th Aviation supported Millard County authorities in their search-and-rescue efforts for a missing hiker.
- Numerous Engineer projects (Road grading, monument building)
- Scouting for Food - Logistical support for statewide food-bank drive
- Great Utah Road Tour - Adventure event for Utah and Moroccan youth
- Freedom Academy - Leadership and citizenship training for high school seniors
- Governor's Day - Held at Rice-Eccles stadium with new commander in chief Gov. Gary Herbert
- 23rd Army Band concerts statewide to include Veterans Day concert

## NATIONWIDE

- The Utah National Guard Marathon Team took second overall at the National Guard Marathon held in Lincoln, Nebraska.
- The Utah National Guard Biathlon Team took gold in the national competition in Minnesota.

## WORLDWIDE

- State Partnership Program with Morocco. Utah Airmen and Soldiers partnered with members of U.S. Armed Services to provide medical, dental, and veterinary services to more than 8,000 patients in Taroudant Province, Morocco, during Operation African Lion
- 97th Troop Command, 1457th Engineers and 65th Fires Brigade supported Regional Response 2009, a bilateral exercise in Azerbaijan to train U.S. and Azerbaijani forces in platoon- and company-level tasks: cordon and search, checkpoint operations, quick-reaction force, and conducting a patrol.
- Utah National Guard members served or trained in these countries in 2009: Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Cambodia, China, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ethiopia, Georgia, Germany, Honduras, Jamaica, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Mongolia, Morocco, Mozambique, Panama, Philippines, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine

## UNITS RETURNED FROM OVERSEAS

- HHC/Group Support Company, 19th Special Forces Group – OEF Afghanistan
- 128th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment - OIF Iraq (Public Affairs)
- 2-211th Aviation Battalion - OIF Iraq (Troop/Equipment Transport)
- 142nd Military Intelligence Battalion - OEF Afghanistan (Intelligence Support)
- 151st Air Refueling Wing - OEF Turkey (In-Air Refueling Operations)
- 151st Security Forces Squadron - OEF Afghanistan

## CURRENTLY DEPLOYED (Approximately 100 Army)

- Detachment 50, Operational Support Airlift - CENTCOM Area of Operations
- 1993rd Contingency Contracting Team - Kosovo
- 2-285th Aviation - Fort Sill, Okla., en route to OIF Iraq

## ACCOMPLISHMENTS - INDIVIDUAL AND UNIT

- Sergeant Shauna Rohbock, JFHQ - 2006 Women's Bobsled silver medalist, training for 2010 Winter Olympics
- Specialist Guy Mellor, First Battalion, 145th Field Artillery - National Guard Soldier of the Year
- Specialist Karri Davis, 23rd Army Band - Army Band Reserve Component Soldier of the Year

## AIR

- Airman of the Year, Senior Airman Nisha Hood, 169th Intelligence Squadron
- Noncommissioned Officers of the Year, Master Sergeant Mario Reeve, 151st Mission Support Group; Master Sergeant Burke Baker, 151st Air Refueling Wing
- First Sergeant of the Year, Master Sergeant Dwight Christensen, 151st Security Forces Squadron

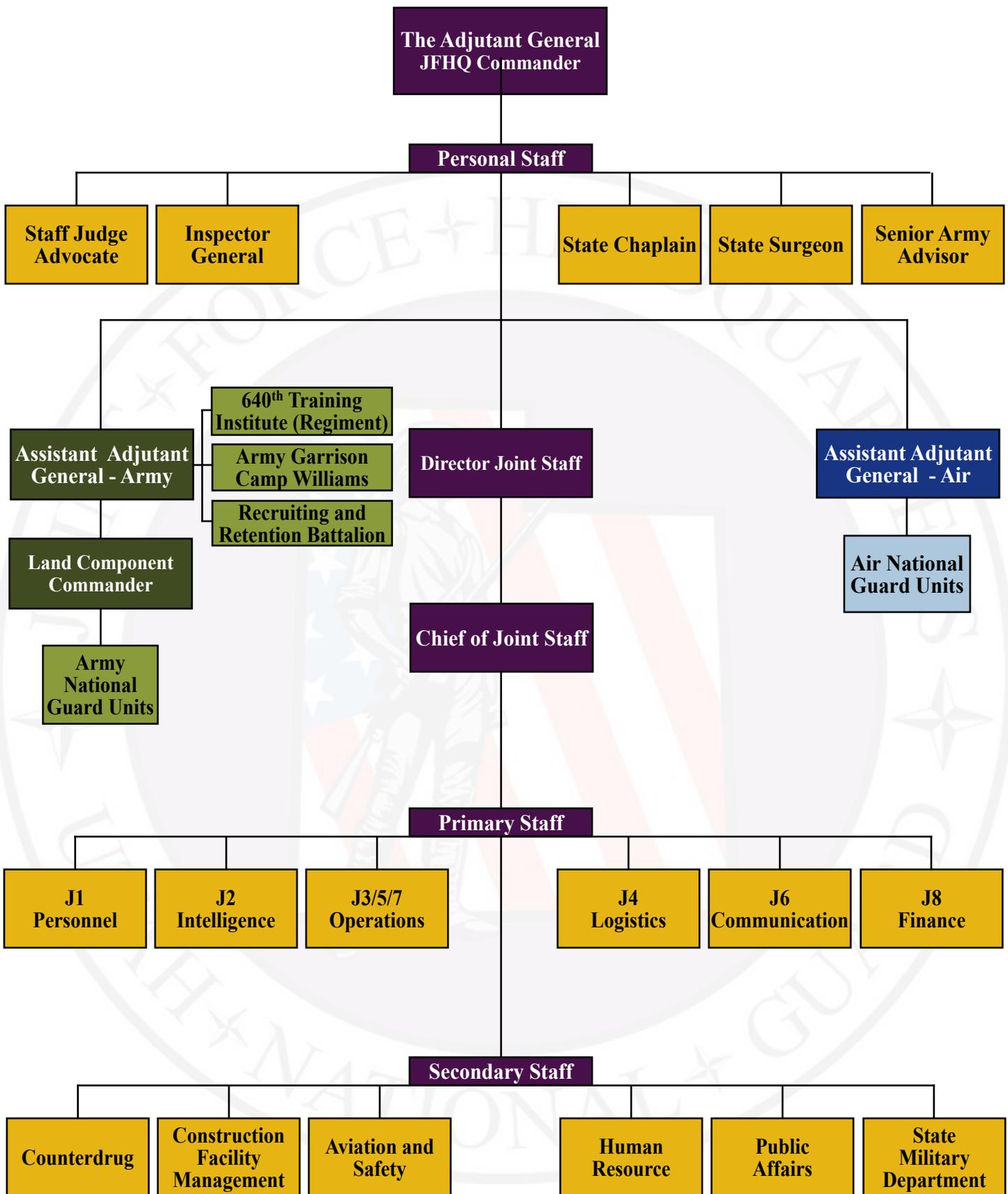
## ARMY

- National and Utah Soldier of the Year, Specialist Guy Mellor, First Battalion, 145th Field Artillery
- Utah Noncommissioned Officer of the Year, Staff Sergeant Dennis Boorman, 640th Regional Training Institute
- Utah First Sergeant of the Year, First Sergeant Jason Turville, 489th Brigade Support Battalion
- Chief Warrant Officer Paul Holton, 300th MI, founder of Operation Give

LEFT TO RIGHT: Utah Guard Marathon Team members, Sgt. Chris Odekirk, followed by Master Sgt. Ray Workman, compete in the Lincoln Marathon. The Utah Biathlon Team competes at the Chief of National Guard Bureau Biathlon Championship in Jericho, Vt. Giving a thumbs up, Capt. DeAnne Trauba runs the Sapper Joe 30K and 50K trail race.



# Joint Forces Headquarters - Organizational Chart



# Joint Forces Headquarters - Utah

JOINT FORCES HEADQUARTERS (JFHQ) acts as the standing joint forces headquarters, for the state of Utah. The JFHQ also supports civil authorities with the capabilities and forces for homeland security and/or domestic emergencies.

The JFHQ consists of a command group, personal staff, primary staff and secondary staff with various duties and responsibilities. Each staff section is responsible to provide expertise and recommendations to the command on important issues facing the Utah National Guard.

The command group of JFHQ-UT consists of the adjutant general (TAG), deputy commander (JFHQ-DC), assistant adjutants general for Army (AAG-A) and Air (AAG-AF) and may be augmented by the chief of staff (CoS) and others as required. Its purpose is to advise the commander in the establishment of policies and procedures for the effective function of the JFHQ-UT.

The adjutant general, as commander, directs the efforts of the Utah National Guard worldwide. The deputy commander, appointed by TAG, may be designated to act as commander in his absence. The chief of staff is the principal staff officer, assistant and advisor to TAG, and is the full-time supervisor responsible for the personal staff, primary staff and secondary staffs.

The personal staff reports directly to TAG. The personal staff includes the staff judge advocate, inspector general, state surgeon, state chaplain and senior army advisor.

The primary and secondary staffs make up the joint staff and report directly to the chief of staff. The Joint Staff (JStaff) was created with two primary responsibilities: Incident management and service-component coordination. Incident management includes contingency response and emergency actions when Utah National



Guard personnel are assigned to support federal, state or local civilian authorities. The Joint Operations Center provides command and control during emergencies and/or large-scale operations. The JStaff is also responsible for service-component coordination with the capacity to coordinate and facilitate communications between Air and Army components.

The JStaff is comprised of eight principal functional divisions and secondary divisions as required; two officers staff each function—one from the Army and one from the Air. Each division is responsible to command and control all attached or assigned forces that respond to emergency or contingency missions. All persons serving in a “J” function or deputy “J” function at JFHQ level are “dual-hatted,” meaning they also serve in their respective Air or Army component in various capacities. This ensures that officers with significant talent and expertise contribute to operations at all levels.

JFHQ is engaged in a myriad of activities to maintain proficiency in support of homeland defense and homeland security activities. The operational tempo is high, and over the past year, activities have included interagency joint exercises with the State of Utah to develop Emergency Support Function packages for response to natural and man-made disasters. In support of the State Partnership Program, key members of the JFHQ regularly coordinate with officials from the Departments of Homeland Security, Public Safety and Health to share information and ideas with visiting officials from the Kingdom of Morocco. Morocco regularly hosts UTNG subject-matter experts in exchanges with Utah National Guard troops. These exercises and exchanges with international, national and state agencies are key elements in the continued development and training of the JFHQ staff to effectively respond to future emergencies and disasters. 🇺🇸

Joint Forces Headquarters Building, Utah Air and Army National Guard, Draper, Utah.



# Utah's Commander in Chief Speaks to Guard Members

ONCE A YEAR, ARMY AND AIR NATIONAL GUARD MEMBERS from around the state of Utah gather to a central location for a traditional "pass and review" ceremony to hear a message from their governor and commander-in-chief.

Utah's governor, Gary R. Herbert, praised the troops and their families during the Governor's Day ceremony held at the University of Utah's Rice-Eccles Stadium Sept. 19.

"Utah National Guard is 6,800 members strong with Soldiers and Airmen who have been trained and equipped and are ready to serve here at home and abroad," Herbert said. "You are a big part of our "Be Ready Utah Program" and our Homeland Security efforts. Let me just add that as Servicemen, you not only have the skills you have learned from your military training, but you also have civilian career training and acquired skills that make you even more valuable in your service."

Herbert also gave thanks to the troop's families and to several units that have been deployed in the last year as well as those who are currently deployed both at home and abroad, and pledged continual support to those families and their Soldiers.

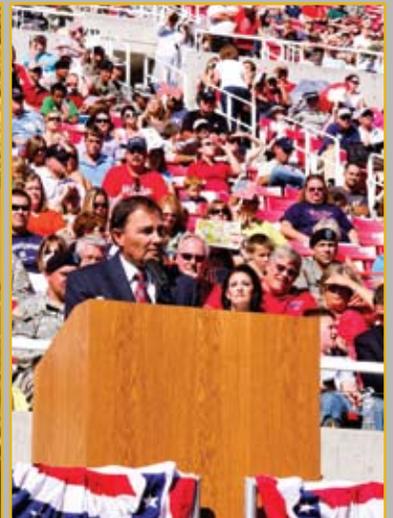
"When a Guard member deploys it not only effects Soldiers and Airmen, but also their families and employers," Herbert said. "As your governor and as your commander-in-chief I can assure you that you will always have my full support. We are proud of you and grateful for your service; thank you for your service and welcome back to Utah."

The Governor's Day event was also attended by patriots from other walks of life who love and support the Service members. Marlene Greenhalt, from Taylorsville, a National Guard nurse case manager, is one such patriot.

"I came out here because I'm very patriotic, and I love our military; I feel so attached to them," Greenhalt said. "It was very beautiful and fun to see the troops on the field and very emotional for me, and I thought that it was neat to see the governor come out to see his troops."

Once the ceremony was over, family and friends enjoyed a variety of activities such as a climbing wall, B.B. gun shooting range, and various Army vehicles and helicopters that were open for the public to explore. 🇺🇸

LEFT TO RIGHT: : The forces of the Utah National Guard are arrayed on the field at Rice-Eccles Stadium for Governor's Day. Governor Gary Herbert salutes Utah National Guard Troops. Herbert speaks to members of the Utah National Guard at Governor's Day Sept. 19. OPPOSITE PAGE: Three Blackhawks and three Apaches fly over Utah National Guard Troops at Governor's Day.





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# Museum and Historical Services

THE MISSION OF FORT DOUGLAS MILITARY MUSEUM is to collect, preserve and interpret Utah military heritage. The museum's focus is on the history of Fort Douglas, the Utah National Guard (UTNG), and Utah Veterans.

In addition to support from the UTNG, the Fort Douglas Military Museum Association (a nonprofit organization) also provides support. The Association provides financial and legislative support to the Museum.

The Museum received a \$10,000 cut in its state budget for FY2009. As a result, staff hours were cut and the museum's state vehicle was turned in. Some of the effects of the staff cuts were mediated by an increase in our intern program using students from the University of Utah. Fortunately, the funds appropriated in FY2008 for upgrading our electrical, heating, and cooling systems remained intact, and the project was completed this year. A state-of-the-art fire alarm system was also completed.

The museum hosted several major events this fiscal year. An exhibit on the Utah War of 1857-1861 was completed. Modifications were made on our satellite exhibit at the Utah Veterans Home. At the State Capitol rotunda an exhibit on the U.S.S. Utah was installed. An archaeological dig was conducted at Camp Floyd, Utah. The museum hosted a special exhibit entitled, "Utahns in Iraq," featuring photographs taken by *Salt Lake Tribune* photographer Rick Egan while he was embedded with the 2nd Battalion, 222nd Field Artillery in Iraq. Other participation included St. Patrick's Day, Hogle Zoo's Military Salute, the University of Utah's Veteran's Honoree program, the annual Fort Douglas Military History Symposium and hosting a State Legislator's Family Night at the museum.

We also organized and conducted a series of historical field trips. These included following the Simpson Trail to



Fort. Bridger, Wyo., a five-day tour of the battle sites of the Great Sioux Indian War of 1876, ending at the Little Bighorn Battlefield in Montana, a trip to the Tooele Military Vehicle Museum and a trip to the Bear River Battle/Massacre site in Idaho as part of the Utah State Historical Society's annual history conference.

The design for our new main exhibit gallery is in the development stage. We have also requested federal appropriation for construction of an artifact repository, a Women's War Memorial park, development of an exhibit featuring the Fort Douglas chapel. We are also contributing historical photos for display in the new Honorary Colonel's room at the Utah National Guard headquarters in Draper.

With visitation up from last year, the Museum is seeing an increase in public awareness of its military-history programs. The Museum is located at 32 Potter Street on historic Fort Douglas. Visiting hours are 12:00 to 5:00 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. 🇺🇸



Above: *The Fort Douglas Military Museum.* Right: *96th RRC Disbandment Ceremony.* Below: *Tooele Military Vehicle Museum.*



# Veterans Day Concert



THE UTAH NATIONAL GUARD CELEBRATED THE 53RD ANNUAL VETERANS DAY CONCERT Nov. 11, 2008, at the University of Utah's Huntsman Center. The 23rd Army Band, along with the Granite School District's combined high school choir and guest performer Alex Boye provided an outstanding tribute to honor our Nation and its Veterans.

The theme was "Forward March! The Way Ahead." Some of the favorite musical numbers included "Who are the Brave," "Taps," "Battle Hymn of the Republic" and "Star-Spangled Banner." These and many other selections allowed all in attendance to reflect on their freedoms and on the sacrifices required to enjoy them.

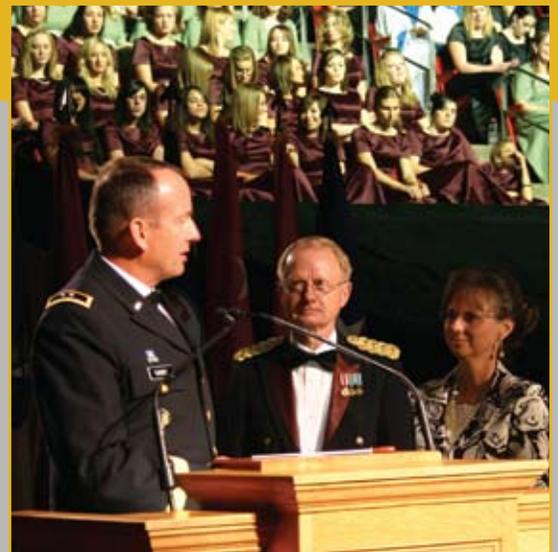
The concert recognized all Soldiers, Airmen, Sailors and Marines and honored each of them for their service, many

paying the ultimate sacrifice while answering our Nation's call. The Utah National Guard and Maj. Gen. Brian Tarbet paid special tribute to Chief Warrant Officer Mike Cottam for his service, dedication and mastery of performance while leading the 23rd Army Band.

Master Sergeant Sterling Poulson served as the master of ceremonies. He provided a mix of both serious and lighthearted narration and commentary throughout the performance. Special guest Alex Boye entertained the audience with a very lively and moving performance.

The Granite District combined high school choirs, 23rd Army Band and Mr. Boye provided an outstanding patriotic event making the 53rd Veterans Day Concert a huge success. 🇺🇸

*The 23rd Army Band and the Granite School District combined high school choirs perform at the Huntsman Center during the 2008 Veterans Day concert. Major General Brian Tarbet paid special tribute to Chief Warrant Officer Mike Cottam for his service.*



# Community Support

COMMUNITY SUPPORT is an integral part of the Utah National Guard's mission. Supporting events and activities increases our visibility and adds legitimacy to state and local activities. In 2009 the Utah Guard fulfilled more than 800 requests for support throughout Utah.

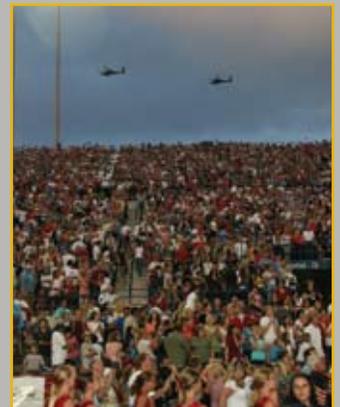
Covering our state with helicopters, climbing walls, military vehicles, artillery pieces and musical instruments kept Utahns entertained and Guard members busy. The 23rd Army Band performed at concerts and parades, while color guards, rifle- and cannon-salute teams and aircraft flyovers honored the fallen and those who have served in battle and on the home front.

Many annual events depend on Utah National Guard participation, such as Scouting for Food, the Minuteman 5K Run/Walk, Freedom Academy, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, and Veterans Day.

The Utah Guard also supported one-time events such as the Zion National Park 100-year celebration and the Gathering of the Guard and Healing Field with the Patriot Guard Riders. Bringing together liberators and the liberated, Camp Williams hosted a July barbecue for Utah Soldiers who served in the Middle East and Iraqi refugees now residing in Utah.

Utah National Guard Airmen and Soldiers have a vested interest in supporting the community because, as Guard members, they *are* the community. Our members know the importance of public support of our military, and whenever and however they serve our citizens, they do so with the highest levels of competence, respect and devotion. And when the time comes, they know that our citizens will return the favor by standing behind Guard members as they are called away to serve wherever their duty takes them. 🇺🇸

*Artillery Soldiers assist with the Spanish Fork flag-retirement ceremony July 20. Soldiers and Airmen support Utah food banks and Scouts during Scouting for Food. Utah high school students attend Freedom Academy at Camp Williams where they learn leadership skills from the various activities they participate in. Two Apache helicopters fly over LaVell Edwards Stadium on BYU campus July 4.*



# Honorary Colonels Corps of Utah

THE HONORARY COLONELS CORPS OF UTAH is a major contributor to the success of the Utah National Guard. It is an organization of community leaders that provides significant support for a number of National Guard activities. The Corps is comprised of former Guard general officers, current and past governors, legislators, judges, business owners and leaders from every walk of life. The Utah Guard is known for its support to the community, and the Honorary Colonels provide significant support to the Guard.

During June, the Corps sponsored the 48th Annual Minuteman Awards Banquet. The banquet honored local citizens who have distinguished themselves through community service in civic, religious, business, humanitarian or military capacities. This year's recipients included Dr. Michael Ballam, Terry Ogborn, Kim Robinson, Jill Stevens, Paul Swenson and BG Robert Voyles. In August, the Corps helped sponsor the 47th Annual Freedom Academy. This is a week-long event that hosts high school student leaders from throughout the state in an unforgettable freedom-education experience. Held at Camp Williams, the Academy acquaints students to prisoners, the military, civic and religious leaders and encourages each student to be an ambassador of freedom at their own school.



Members of the Corps are involved, in one way or another, in most significant events in the Utah National Guard. Involvement includes financial assistance for special projects such as the annual Veterans Day Concert; at other times they may be a liaison between the Guard and less-involved community members. Whatever their participation, the Honorary Colonels Corps is a valuable and supportive part of the Guard community in Utah. Retired Brig. Gen. E. J. "Jake" Garn is commander of the Honorary Colonels Corps. Below is a current roster of the Honorary Colonels Corps of Utah. Each member adds value and strengthens the Utah National Guard. 🇺🇸

*Honorary Colonel Paul Swenson (center) receives a Minuteman award presented by Maj. Gen. Brian Tarbet (left) and retired Brig. Gen. E.J. "Jake" Garn. Swenson is responsible for the creation of the Healing Field, a field of flags to honor those who lost their lives in the 9/11 attacks or who died fighting the War on Terrorism.*

Hon Col Dorothy Anderson	BG (Ret) Melvin V. Frandsen	Hon Col Kurt L. Larsen	Hon Col Roy Souder
Hon Col Fred S. Ball	Hon Col Michael J. Frodsham	BG (Ret) James B. Lee	Hon Col David R. Spafford
Honorable Norman H. Bangerter	Hon Col Robert H. Garff	BG Michael R. Liechty	Hon Col Robert L. Stayner
Hon Col Eugene Banks	Hon Col Jake W. Garn	Hon Col John E. Lindquist	Hon Col Michael G. Sullivan
Hon Col Michael Barnes	BG (Ret) E.J. "Jake" Garn	Hon Col Boyd A. Lindquist	Hon Col Paul B. Swenson
Hon Col Warren Barnes	Hon Col Mary Ann Garner	Hon Col Allan M. Lipman, Jr.	Hon Col Rex E. Thornton
Hon Col Lane Beattie	Hon Col John B. Goddard	BG (Ret) Larry V. Lunt	Hon Col Reudiger Tillman
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Hon Col Rodney H. Brady	BG (Ret) Stanley J. Gordon	MG (Ret) John L. Matthews	BG Robert S. Voyles
Hon Col Dorothy Brockbank	BG (Ret) Parry Greenwood, Jr.	Hon Col Vickie McCall	Hon Col Kip Wadsworth
Hon Col Mark Buchi	Hon Col George Gregersen	MG (Ret) James M. Miller	Hon Col M. Walker Wallace
Hon Col Kenneth R. Burton	Hon Col Myrna T. Griffone	Hon Col June M. Morris	Hon Col C. Reuel Ware
Hon Col Patrick Byrne	Hon Col David F. Gunn	Hon Col William H. Nelson	Hon Col Paul M. Warner
Hon Col James E. Charnholm	MG (Ret) John M. Hafen	Hon Col Richard L. Nelson	Hon Col Dolores Wheeler
BG (Ret) Ronald Chytraus	Hon Col James V. Hansen	BG (Ret) David W. Noall	Hon Col Don M. Wheeler
Hon Col Howard S. Clark	BG Scott B. Harrison	Hon Col Robert S. Pembroke	Hon Col Paul L. Whitehead
Hon Col Charles W. Dahlquist, II	BG (Ret) Jon C. Heaton	Hon Col Raymond Peterson	MG Patrick D. Wilson
Hon Col Victoria P. Davison	Hon Col Ronald E. Henriksen	Hon Col Keith Rattie	Hon Col David M. Winberg
Hon Col Gerald "Skip" Daynes	Hon Col A. Lawrence Higgins	Hon Col Lynn Richard Raybould	BG (Ret) Brent E. Winget
Hon Col Thomas D. Dee	Hon Col Duane C. Hill	Hon Col Lynelle Raymond	Hon Col Linda Wolcott
Hon Col Ezekiel Dumke, Jr.	Hon Col Jerald D. Holyoak	Hon Col J. Bruce Reading	Hon Col Richard Workman
Hon Col Dan R. Eastman	Brig Gen David M. Hooper	BG (Ret) Lyle M. Rich	Hon Col Wallace A. Wright, Jr.
Mr. John S. Edwards	Hon Col Henry A. Huish	Hon Col Lon R. Richardson, Jr.	BG (Ret) Roland R. Wright
Hon Col James L. Ellsworth	BG (Ret) Gil H. Iker	Hon Col Wallace H. Ring	Hon Col Michael T. Young
Hon Col Rex E. Falkenrath	Hon Col Clark D. Jones	Hon Col Antonio L. Savoca	Hon Col Dale O. Zabriskie
Hon Col David P. Felt	Hon Col B.Z. Kastler	Hon Col Harris H. Simmons	
Hon Col Tage I. Flint	Hon Col Linda M. Kruse	Hon Col Robert A. Simmons	*Board Member
BG (Ret) Bruce C. Frandsen	Hon Col Fred P. Lampropoulos	Hon Col Daniel C. Snarr	

# Utah Army National Guard - Organizational Chart



# Utah Army National Guard

THE UTAH ARMY NATIONAL GUARD had a banner year during 2009. As Soldiers were deployed in support of Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom, again and again they proved themselves to be an integral part of the warfight.

Supporting the post-9/11 mobilization of forces, the largest in our history, Soldiers from the Utah Guard have played pivotal roles in the toppling of dictators and the capture and elimination of enemies to our citizens and threats to our national security.

Members of the Utah Guard are currently providing support in more than 30 countries worldwide. Guardsmen are at the forefront of efforts to protect our citizens and our way of life. The success of our mobilization efforts are enhanced by the Family Support program, providing extensive resources to support loved ones of deployed Soldiers. Deployment briefings, youth activities, emergency support, Family Readiness Groups and reunion briefings are all designed to provide assistance to families.

The Utah National Guard is all about service. This heritage was established at the Guard's inception in the spring of 1894. Prior to that, Utahns had rendered military service in the defense of life and property under the banner of the Nauvoo Legion since the 1840s.

Since its creation, units of the Utah National Guard have served countless missions both at home and on foreign soil. From its humble beginnings, the Utah National Guard has grown to be a nationally prominent organization, setting the standard for other states to follow. Utah units enjoy a tremendous reputation nationally for their character and performance of duty. Whether the mission is a combat operation, or in response to a regional disaster, the Utah Army National Guard has demonstrated time and time again the attributes of professionalism and skill in the successful performance of the mission.

The Guard has two primary missions: the first is to support the people of the State of Utah. When called upon by the governor, units and Guard members support civil authorities in protecting life and property. They are also called upon to help preserve peace, order, and public safety, which are integrated into the Homeland Defense mission.



The second mission of the Utah Army National Guard is to the people of the United States. When called upon by the president, the Guard provides well-trained and fully equipped military units to serve as part of the total force in times of war or other national emergencies. The Guard continues to fulfill this mission overseas for Operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom.

In 2009, the Utah National Guard continued to prepare for natural-disaster response by working closely with federal, state and local agencies by way of realistic training exercises and continuous improvement to existing contingency plans. In recent years, elements of the Utah Guard have shown their flexibility and their amazing capability by effectively responding on short notice to support beleaguered citizens following Hurricane's Katrina, Rita and Ike.

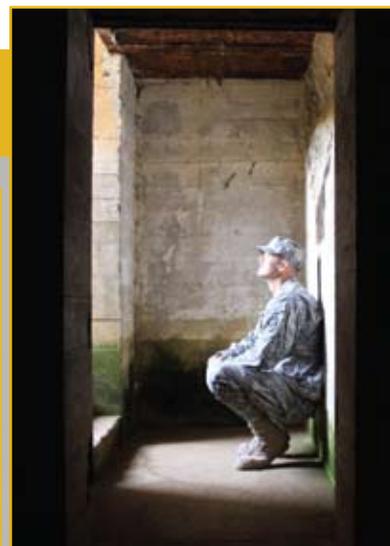
The Utah Army Guard possesses a broad variety of units and capabilities. Administered by Joint Forces Headquarters, Artillery, Aviation, Maneuver Enhancement, Military Intelligence Special Forces, and Troop Command units carry out their local missions and prepare for overseas service.

The largest Army training center in Utah is Camp W.G. Williams, located at the south end of Salt Lake Valley. Encompassing 28,000 acres, Camp Williams serves not only as a major training site for Utah National Guard units, but also for units throughout the U.S. and even some foreign nations. In addition to weapons ranges, battle courses and many outdoor training facilities, Camp Williams also has maintenance shops, troop-support capabilities and extensive classroom facilities. Camp Williams is home to the 640th Regimental Regional Training Institute, which trains National Guard Soldiers from 13 Western states and Guam.

The headquarters of the Utah National Guard is located in Draper next to I-15 in the southern end of Salt Lake Valley. This sprawling facility is also home to several major commands and separate units.

One of the reasons for the success of the Utah Army National Guard is the deep sense of community felt by Guard members and Utah citizens. Guard members are constantly serving their communities in many ways both in and out of uniform. With outstanding Leaders, Soldiers, and seasoned combat veterans, the Utah Army National Guard continues its long tradition of distinguished service to the State and Nation. 

*Soldiers with the 222nd Field Artillery wait atop their Paladins for an artillery exercise to begin. Specialist Guy Mellor, 1-145th Field Artillery, competes at the Army's Best Warrior Competition at Fort Lee, Va. Command Sgt. Maj. James Sproul, 300th Military Intelligence, at Pointe du Hoc, France.*



# 65th Fires Brigade



THE 65TH FIRES BRIGADE personnel and units were very busy during Fiscal Year 2009 with the transformation from a Corps Artillery into a Fires Brigade (FiB). In September 2008, Brig. Gen. Michael Liechty relinquished command of I Corps Artillery, and Col. Richard Miller took command of the new 65th Fires Brigade. The ceremony was a somber moment for the Soldiers and leaders as they reflected on the history and experiences of the past 20 years as the Army's only reserve component Corps Field Artillery. However, the future looks bright for the 65th FiB as they began their team building and training with its new units for both peacetime and combat deployments.

In addition to the two organic Field Artillery Battalions in Utah, the 65th FiB has a training relationship with units spread from coast to coast. The 65th FiB has units in California, Michigan, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Utah. With units so geographically dispersed, we are continually working to get them together for training and working on standardization and team building. We have great Soldiers and leaders in each of these units and we are slowly becoming a cohesive Fires Brigade.

We have found after conducting staff visits with these units that they are very happy to be associated with us and willing to take on their role as a part of the 65th FiB. An additional benefit gleaned from our recent visits is that the units we are associated with have also deployed and are very knowledgeable on what it takes to get prepared for deployment in the foreseeable future.

Besides unit visits, the 65th FiB has conducted several military exercises during 2009. Our Soldiers have traveled to many foreign countries and stateside training areas in order to maintain training proficiency and meet the demanding training cycle of an Army Fires Brigade. In addition, the 65th FiB continues to train alongside other military services such as

the Navy, Air Force and Marines in the quarterly FST-J exercise in San Diego, Calif. Several other training exercises were conducted with foreign military units to include training Soldiers in Bulgaria, Germany, Japan, Australia, Azerbaijan and Singapore.

Our two in-state Field Artillery Battalions, the 1-145th and 2-222nd FA, have also gone through transformations. Transformation bring many new positions that require additional equipment modernization and new training for our Soldiers. The 65th FiB's new equipment challenges have required Soldiers to certify in many unique low-density and technical Military Occupation Skills in order to support the unit's mission to mobilize and deploy to a theater of operation.

In addition to combat training, the 65th FiB has helped local communities with several projects such as freedom salutes, color guards, funerals and recruiting events. Our Soldiers supported Scouting for Food by transporting collected food from drop sites at various locations across the state to the Utah Food Bank.

Each of these training and supporting events provides our Soldiers with valuable experience needed to be successful as the 65th FiB. The Soldiers of the Brigade have accomplished their goals and training objectives for the year and have proven they are capable, ready and willing to serve, no matter what the mission may hold in the future.

In September 2009, the Institute of Heraldry approved the 65th FiB shoulder sleeve and distinctive unit insignia. The units and Soldiers look forward to wearing and showcasing the new patch.

A special thanks to our employers, families, UTARNG and communities for helping the 65th FiB stand up, equip and train. Good luck in 2010 and God Speed, America's Thunder. 🇺🇸

*Left to right: Georgian infantry soldier, interpreter, Capt. Chad Williams, and Lt. Col. Dave Greer both of the 65th Fires Brigade oversee training operations at Hohenfels, Germany. Paladins with the 222nd Field Artillery fire on target during a live-fire artillery open house at Camp Williams June 3.*



# 97th Troop Command

THE 97TH TROOP COMMAND provides brigade- and battalion-level command and control for nine separate units: Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 97th Troop Command; 144th Area Support Medical Company; Utah Army National Guard Medical Detachment; 197th Special Troops Company (Special Operations/Airborne); 115th Maintenance Company (Component Repair Company); 128th Public Affairs Detachment (Mobile); 23rd Army Band; 85th Civil Support Team (WMD); and 1993rd Contingency Contracting Team.

Colonel Edward Gundersen and Command Sgt. Maj. Raelynn Oman make it their mission to provide subordinate units with administrative support, logistical support and training guidance necessary to maintain a high level of readiness and complete their separate unique missions. The Headquarters also oversees Soldier readiness processing and home-station mobilization of the subordinate units.

This year the Headquarters welcomed back the 128th MPAD from Iraq, and saw the deployment of the 1993rd CCT to Kosovo. Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment participated in Regional Response 2009, a NATO multinational peacekeeping training exercise conducted in Azerbaijan.

Command Inspections were performed on each unit to ensure all military standards are being met, troops are being trained and units are ready to accomplish their missions in support of state and federal objectives.

The 97th Troop Command could not succeed without the dedication and support of each individual Soldier assigned to the command. Each Soldier is expected to assume the role of being first-rate and ready for any situation. Therefore, the primary mission of the Headquarters is to emphasize individual Soldier responsibility thereby affecting overall command readiness. The 97th Troop Command is looking forward to continuing to enhance the readiness capability of the Utah National Guard. 



**97<sup>th</sup> Troop Command:** *A brigade-level command-and-control headquarters, providing subordinate units with necessary administrative support and training guidance to complete their respective missions.*

**Medical Detachment:** *Provides medical support to Utah Army National Guard units to be prepared for mobilization and State emergencies.*

**85<sup>th</sup> Civil Support Team:** *Trains on a regular basis with local, State, and federal entities to maintain their readiness to respond to hazardous-materials incidents.*

**128<sup>th</sup> Mobile Public Affairs:** *Provides command information through written stories with still and video photography. They also interact with the civilian media in order to tell the Guard's story to the general public.*

**23<sup>rd</sup> Army Band:** *Performs at many community and military events from Logan to St. George, including Governor's Day, Veterans Day Concert, parades, special events, and memorial dedications.*

**144<sup>th</sup> Area Support Medical Company:** *Provides emergency medical support for combat operations, sick call and medical treatment care in both Troop Medical Clinic and Combat Support Hospital settings.*

**115<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Company (CRC):** *Provides general support maintenance to the various units of the Utah National Guard.*

**197<sup>th</sup> Special Troops Company:** *A rapidly deployable logistical support unit that supports all deployed Army Special Operations forces throughout the world with combat service support and Level II Combat Health Support. The unit's diverse composition makes it a great asset during State emergencies.*

**1993<sup>rd</sup> Acquisition Contingency Contracting Team:** *Provides contracting functions at the Brigade Combat Team level as well as supporting the United States Property and Fiscal Office with contracting functions during State emergencies.*

*In the foreground, Spc. Jared Andersen, 23rd Army Band, plays the timpani with Spc. Spencer Frohm, playing mallets on xylophone. Members of the 197th Special Troops Company prepare for their unit's first parachute jump at Drop Zone Ashau near Cedar Fort, Utah. Spc. Lyndsey Dransfield trains on interview techniques while at Fort Dix, N.J., prior to the 128th Mobile Public Affairs' deployment to Iraq.*



# 300th Military Intelligence Brigade



THE 300TH MILITARY INTELLIGENCE BRIGADE (Linguist), headquartered in Draper, Utah, provides command and control of two Military Intelligence Battalions. The Battalions total more than 800 Soldiers within the State of Utah. Four additional Military Intelligence Battalions, totaling more than 1,200 Soldiers are in the States of Washington, California, Louisiana and Florida. These Battalions fall under the Brigade for training and guidance. The mission of the 300th is to provide linguist, human intelligence (HUMINT), and signals intelligence (SIGINT) support to the Army for multiple contingencies.

The 300th Military Intelligence Brigade is the only linguist-designated military intelligence organization in the Department of Defense. Soldiers of the Brigade maintain proficiency in more than 36 foreign languages, and a high percentage of these Soldiers maintain proficiency in more than one foreign language. During Fiscal Year 2009, Soldiers deployed to 17 different countries to provide critical language support, enhance their language skills, and utilize their individual MI skills to support real-world intelligence operations. This continues the Brigade's proud and distinguished support to the Army's Combined and Joint Commands, most of the Army's Major Commands, and to

many of the nation's intelligence agencies operating throughout the world.

The Brigade has been continuously engaged in the Global War on Terrorism since September 2001. This year the Brigade welcomed home 300 MI Soldiers from Afghanistan and Kosovo. Nearly all Military Intelligence Soldiers within the Utah Army National Guard have been deployed to Iraq or Afghanistan and made very significant contributions to the war. Many of these Soldiers continue to provide full-time and part-time support as linguists in virtual document-exploitation operations from home station. Other MI Soldiers continue to use their HUMINT and SIGINT skills to virtually support intelligence agencies and military organizations throughout the world.

In October, the Brigade celebrated its 20th anniversary. Many past and present members of the MI community were able to attend the celebration.

The Brigade also hosted its annual Language Conference and MI Ball with great success. This year, both these events were hailed as among the best the Brigade has ever had.

The 300th Military Intelligence Brigade is commanded by Col. Val Peterson. Command Sgt. Maj. James Sproul serves as the Brigade Command Sergeant Major. 

*Soldiers from the 300th Military Intelligence Brigade celebrate the Brigade's 20th anniversary.*



# 19th Special Forces Group (Airborne)



HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY, 19TH SPECIAL FORCES GROUP (Airborne) started Fiscal Year 2009 with a change of responsibility from outgoing Group Command Sgt. Maj. Allen Smithee, to incoming Command Sgt. Maj. Scott Morgan from 1st Battalion, 19th SFG(A). Smithee retired after nearly 30 years of military service with 10 years in the 19th.

In early October 2008, HHC sent eight Soldiers to support 3rd Special Forces Group's deployment to Afghanistan. The eight Soldiers were incorporated into 3rd Group's headquarters where they provided their expertise in administration, maintenance and intelligence. The Soldiers returned home after serving 10 months in Afghanistan between July and September 2009.

In early July at Camp Williams, 19th Group, along with chapter 70 of the Special Forces Association celebrated the 50th anniversary of Special Forces in Utah. The Group commander, Col. Michael Turello, and Group Command Sgt. Maj. Scott Morgan, were present along with several high-ranking dignitaries, including Utah Senator Robert Bennett and Congressional Medal of Honor recipient retired Sgt. Maj. Jon Cavaiani.

For Annual Training, HHC conducted training at the Digital Battle Lab at Fort Bragg, N.C., Aug. 1-15. At the battle lab, HHC Soldiers received training in digital command systems, enabling them to integrate into a modern command center. The highlight of Annual Training came during a week-long, battle-staff exercise where the Soldiers combined their respective skills to react to combat scenarios as a Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force headquarters.

Group Support Company, 19th Special Forces Group, started their year off by sending 40 Soldiers on a 10-month deployment to Afghanistan. Soldiers were mobilized in October 2008 to give signal, intelligence and operational support to 3rd Special Forces Group's deployment as part of Operation Enduring Freedom.

While in Afghanistan, GSC Soldiers played an essential part in helping 3rd Group set up the Afghan Public Protection Plan, a type of "neighborhood watch" program to help Afghans in remote areas protect their villages and ensure law and order for their communities. Starting in mid July, Soldiers began redeploying back to Utah, with the last group arriving home in early September.

In early spring, GSC participated in the 19th's Special Forces Basic Combat Course for Support. This course provides critical combat training and is a requirement for Group Support Soldiers. It focuses on advanced marksmanship, convoy operations and urban combat.

In addition to SFBCC-S, Group Support Company's Training Detachment offered a Static Line Jumpmaster Course for Qualified NCOs. This three-week course graduated 42

qualified jumpmasters for the 19th.

After serving three years as GSC's company commander, Lt. Col. John Swan relinquished command of the company and moved into the executive officer position at 19th Group Headquarters. His successor, Maj. Robert Pettit comes from 19th Group Headquarters.

First Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group, under the command of Lt. Col. James Slagowski and Command Sgt. Maj. Scott Bollinger, burst into the fiscal year with three overseas training assignments and multiple advanced war-fighting courses.

In Fiscal Year 2009, 1st Battalion participated in three separate overseas training operations. Balance Piston in the Philippines, Balance Canoe in Cambodia, and Baker Torch in Thailand.

During these overseas missions the Operational Detachments Alpha trained with the host-nation militaries on a large range of skills including antiterrorism tactics, advanced combat training and convoy operations. This training considerably enhances the host-country military's war fighting skills and allows the ODAs to collaterally enhance their operational skills in an overseas environment.

Throughout the year, Special Forces Soldiers of 1st Battalion also kept their skills sharp by participating in the semiannual Special Forces Advanced Urban Combat courses and Sniper courses.

The advanced combat training in these courses allows the Special Forces Soldier to retain the edge in being the Army's premier warfighters. 🇺🇸

*Members of the 19th Special Forces SOT-A Team 9206, at Wardak Province, Afghanistan, in June 2009.*



# 204th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade



THE 204TH MANEUVER ENHANCEMENT BRIGADE (MEB) is located at Army Garrison Camp Williams Readiness Center and is commanded by Col. Don Summit, and Command Sgt. Maj. Craig Haskell. The MEB, with more than 1,000 Soldiers located in ten communities across the state, has proudly represented the Utah Army National Guard in a wide variety of missions this past year.

Members of the 204th MEB participated in a staff exercise at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., during 2009. This was an excellent opportunity to prepare and train the staff in Military Decision Making Procedures, as well as using computer simulations to learn what an MEB does and how it should operate. In addition to its Annual Training, the MEB staff assisted its subordinate battalions as they prepared and deployed to multiple locations around the world.

The 217th Network Support Company participated in “Key Resolve” in South Korea, and the 204th Engineer Facilities Detachment held Annual Training in Hohenfels, Germany, where they conducted Civil Engineer Operations in support of U.S. Forces.

The 1457th Engineer Battalion participated in four overseas missions to include Azerbaijan, Morocco, Indonesia and Germany. The battalion staff conducted staff training, as well as providing command and control over its subordinate units in Germany.

The 118th Sapper Company deployed to Azerbaijan. They integrated U.S. Forces with Azerbaijan forces and conducted multiple training events, providing excellent joint training.

The 624th Engineer Company (Vertical) sent 25 Soldiers to Morocco and participated in an engineer exchange, as well as emergency-management training. This involved conducting Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear operations of

an Emergency Operations Cell, wildland fire management and incident management.

In Indonesia, 20 Soldiers from the 624th built two baby-care clinics and one public restroom. In Germany, members

of the company laid more than 2,000 cinder blocks reinforcing existing Military Operations on Urban Terrain buildings. The 624th also constructed a three-rail log fence around BLM pasture and wetlands in Vernal.

The 116th Engineer Company (Horizontal Construction) deployed to Hohenfels, Germany, and conduct road maintenance and constructed a parking lot for the Troop Medical Clinic. The 116th also completed a road project at Starvation Reservoir, a Utah State Park, that connected a boat ramp to the main access road, as well as provided road maintenance at Camp Williams throughout the year. Detachment 1, 116th En Co., also completed a motor-pool expansion at the Mt. Pleasant Armory.

The 489th Brigade Support Battalion was reorganized from the 204th Engineer Battalion with a primary training focus as a logistics Battalion. The 489th participated in Key Resolve, which encompassed the entire peninsula of South Korea with a main focus of the defense of South Korea against a simulated invasion and incorporated more than 5,000 U.S. Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, and Marines to include the entire command structure of the Republic of Korea. Soldiers of the 489th operated within the 19th Expeditionary Sustainment Command’s Support Operations Center, providing logistics planning and execution for the entire theater of operation. This was a valuable training year for the Battalion and staff as they were exposed to logistics planning at all levels and gained the Military Occupational Specialty Qualified training that has given the Soldiers of the 489th Brigade Support Battalion a great start to a new unit. 🇺🇸

*Soldiers of 116th Engineer Company (Horizontal) work on road project in Hohenfels Germany. Soldiers for Forward Support Company, 1457th Engineer Battalion, build Military Operations on Urban Terrain facilities in Hohenfels Germany.*



# 97th Aviation Troop Command

THE 97TH AVIATION TROOP COMMAND has been actively engaged this past fiscal year in providing command and control for the state's Army aviation units. The 97th Aviation Troop Command is responsible for providing oversight and command and control for the following subordinate units: 1st Battalion, 211th Aviation Regiment; 2nd Battalion, 211th (General Support Aviation Battalion); Detachment 50, Operational Support Airlift; and Detachment C, 2nd Battalion, 285th Air Assault.

During the first part of this fiscal year, the command helped plan, organize and complete the successful redeployment and reintegration of 2-211th GSAB's redeployment from Kuwait, as well as the successful deployment of Det. 50, OSAA, as this unit deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The 97th Aviation Troop Command also provided support for the successful deployment of Det. C, 2-285th which occurred at the beginning of this fiscal year.

This past year, 97th Aviation Troop command played a crucial role in preparing 1-211th in getting the new AH-64D Longbow Apache helicopters.

First Battalion received 24 Longbow aircraft which were cascaded from an active-duty unit in theater. These aircraft were placed on a ship and sent to the port at Beaumont, Texas. At the port, the aircraft were off loaded, reassembled, inventoried and test flown in preparation for ferrying the aircraft back to Utah and to various locations throughout the country. Some of the aircraft were placed into the Army's aircraft reset program.

Finally, Headquarters Detachment, 97th Aviation Troop Command, participated in an annual Joint Training Exercise, Yama Sakura 55. Yama Sakura was held on the main island of Japan. The exercise included Joint cooperation with all U.S. Services, as well as bilateral cooperation between the U.S. Military and Japanese Self-Defense Forces. The Detachment participated by playing the role of a Theater Combat Aviation Brigade for the exercise. Participants planned and executed simulated Aviation missions for the entire two-week exercise. Participants from the unit were sent to Japan and Hawaii in support of this exercise. 🇺🇸



*One of the new AH-64D Longbow Apaches arrives in Salt Lake Valley. 2-211th Soldiers train in basic marksmanship on the M16 rifle while in Kuwait.*



# 640th Regional Training Institute

THE 640TH REGIMENT, REGIONAL TRAINING INSTITUTE (RTI) works in conjunction with the National Guard Bureau (NGB) and Training and Doctrine Command to provide schooling and training for Army National Guard, Army Reserve, and active-duty Soldiers in combat arms, military occupational specialization, leadership, noncommissioned officer education and general studies. The RTI monitors and regulates academic instruction, student dining and housing and Regiment facilities. The RTI headquarters oversees the Regiment's four battalions.

First Battalion, 640th Regiment, Noncommissioned Officer Academy, conducts training for senior NCOs and junior enlisted Soldiers in all Army service branches. Noncommissioned Officer Education System (NCOES) courses include Warrior Leader Course (WLC), Basic and Advanced NCO Courses, First Sergeant and Battle Staff NCO Courses. The Battalion is one of six NCO academies within the Army National Guard.

Second Battalion, 640th Regiment (Modular) trains 25U Signal Support System Specialists and 25B Information Systems Specialists. In addition, it trains all state-directed courses including Bus Driver Training Course, Ground Combat Course, Officer Candidate School Phase Zero and any other training directed by the adjutant general.

Third Battalion, 640th Regiment Field Artillery, trains the majority of all MOS training and NCO technical tracks in Field Artillery. Courses include 13B Cannon Crew member, 13D Advanced Field Artillery Tactical Data Specialist, 13F Fire Support Specialist and 13S Field Artillery Surveyor.

Fourth Battalion, 640th Regiment, is currently one of only two National Guard schools accredited to conduct Military Intelligence (MI) reclassification training. Courses taught include 35M Human Intelligence Collector, 35F Intelligence Analysts, and 35L Counterintelligence Agent.

Headquarters, 640th RTI, contains the MI Subject-Matter Expert (SME) cell which is the liaison between the proponent and NGB. The MI SME cell oversees all National Guard institutional training for MI, training allocations for managers, reviews Course Management Plans and Programs of Instruction, is the designated representative for all NGB MI training, and provides academic oversight and assistance for institutional training.

In Fiscal Year 2009, the RTI graduated almost 8,000 Soldiers in NCOES, FA, MI, and Modular courses which contributed to meeting national military deployment, mobilization, and transportation demands.

The 640th RTI dedicated its new Total Army Schooling System Complex in January to honor fallen Operation Iraqi Freedom Soldier and former WLC Instructor, Sgt. 1st Class Ronald Tanner Wood. The \$19M complex is approximately 54,000 square feet and trains Soldiers in state-of-the-art classrooms with modern technology and equipment, which will greatly enhance students' NCOES education. The TASS Complex also serves as the RTI's headquarters.

Fourth Battalion unveiled its new and accredited Secure Training Facility – Intelligence (STF-I) building, which trains reclassification students in MI MOS's. The STF-I will allow connectivity with Fort Huachuca and other training sites to conduct real-time culmination exercises.

The 640th RTI honored the retirement of Command Sgt. Maj. Joseph Spencer for his positive contribution to the Regiment. Spencer led the RTI since 2004 and contributed to the building and completion of the new TASS Complex, the 24,000 square foot student billeting complex and a new student dining facility on Camp Williams. The Regiment welcomed newly selected 1st Sgt. Daryl Hall as the RTI's new command sergeant major. 🇺🇸

*The newly completed Total Army Schooling System complex building at Camp Williams hosts the administrative offices for the Regional Training Institute. One of the state-of-the-art classrooms located at the TASS building.*



# Army Garrison Camp Williams

ARMY GARRISON CAMP WILLIAMS IS “THE PREMIER TRAINING CENTER OF CHOICE.” Our mission is to create a quality training environment for military units, individual Servicemembers and other DOD, federal, state, law enforcement and civilian organizations by providing quality facilities, excellent logistical support, and professional personnel assistance to set the stage for top-quality training.

Camp Williams’ unique location provides access to mountain, desert, water and river training areas. The staff is continually seeking ways to improve and enhance training facilities, ranges, and courses in order to make a Soldier’s stay more productive and enjoyable. We are proud of the contribution we make to the Soldiers of the Utah National Guard and to the citizens of the State of Utah.

Range Control oversees 28,000 acres of combat training areas resembling the same types of environments encountered by those currently serving in Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom. Primary training facilities include small-arms and crew-served weapons ranges, artillery firing points, demolition and grenade ranges. Urban training environments include the Military Operations in Urban Terrain shoothouse, dismounted/mounted maneuver areas, and the new forward-operating base.

Camp Williams facilities directly supported more than 450 youth groups. Popular interests included the rappel tower and Leadership Reaction course. The more notable youth activities are Freedom Academy and Astro Camp.

Other training highlights include support to the 222nd and 145th Field Artillery Battalions during their annual live-fire training exercise in June where they expended more than 1,700 howitzer rounds. Range Control worked closely with the 19th Special Forces Group throughout the year to conduct two sniper courses and a six-week urban combat course on Camp Williams ranges. These courses involved detailed planning with surface danger zones and range coordination and deconfliction.

LOGISTICS DIVISION AMMUNITION SUPPLY POINT (ASP) continues to provide support for all units of the Utah National Guard, numerous active component Army units, the Army and Marine Corps Reserves and ROTC classes from around the state. Desert Chemical Depot uses the ASP to draw small-arms ammunition for training and security missions.

Currently ammunition categories II through category IV can be drawn from the ASP. When completed in 2010, a new ASP will be able to accommodate all categories of ammunition for units to draw according to their authorizations. Artillery units will be able to draw shells from Camp Williams instead of traveling to Tooele Army Depot. Aviation units will be able to draw rockets from the new ASP as well, which will be a great asset to all units training at Camp.

The Troop Issue Subsistence Activity (TISA) provides Class I supply to units in the state and to outside agencies as needed. The TISA typically provides support for all branches of the military that require feeding. With proper coordination, ingredients for meals can be ordered and delivered to the warehouse to be stored in refrigeration units until pickup and preparation by unit cooks. The Logistics Section works with Range Control and Facilities Management to maintain the sleeping quarters for units needing open-bay quarters. The LOG Section also stocks and supplies dining facilities (DFAC) and runs and maintains the Qualified Recycling Program (QRP). Spent brass from the firing ranges is gathered, deformed, and sold to recycling centers. Future plans are to build a new QRP building to manage current operations and expand into larger paper and cardboard operations.

FACILITIES ENGINEER DIVISION is responsible for planning and coordinating installation construction and reconstruction projects, providing facility maintenance, managing federal and state lands, and preserving historic holdings. During 2009, the construction of the 90,000-square-foot Total Army School System complex was completed. This state-of-the-art facility includes administrative offices for the Regional Training Institute (RTI) numerous classroom configurations, training facilities, and billets for students.

Other major projects included the construction of a new Service Club, renovation of the main post DFAC (which more than doubled in size), remodeling of the Army and Air Force Exchange Service Post Exchange facility, construction of a new tunnel to facilitate movement of equipment and troops downrange and renovation and upgrade of the two power-generation wind turbines. These have saved more than \$50,000 in electrical power costs.

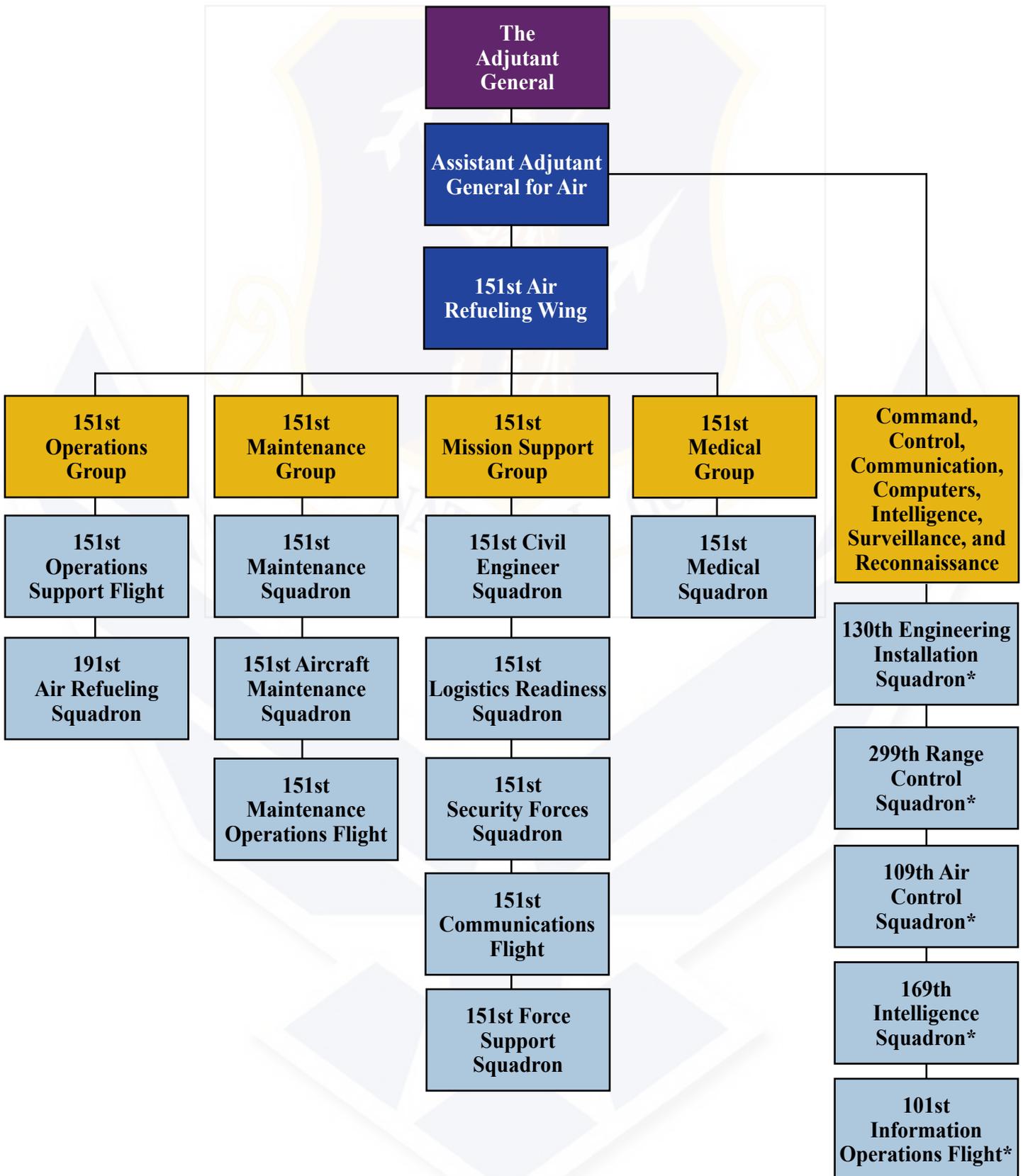
AGCW also received new fire engines to manage and contain range fires. 



*High school student-body leaders participate in various activities at Camp Williams during Freedom Academy. Camp Williams receives four new fire trucks prior to the summer fire season.*



# Utah Air National Guard



\*Administrative Control with 151st ARW

# Utah Air National Guard



FOUNDED ON NOV. 18, 1946, THE UTAH AIR NATIONAL GUARD (UTANG) is located on more than 82 acres of the northeast corner of the Salt Lake International Airport. More than 1,400 trained and dedicated men and women serve in the UTANG to defend the United States of America. Commanded by Brig. Gen. David Hooper, UTANG assignments include real-world military operations and daily activities necessary to support state and federal missions and training requirements.

The UTANG's largest component is the 151st Air Refueling Wing (ARW), commanded by Col. Kelvin Findlay. Unit commanders, along with their members, are committed to building excellent organizations within the Wing. Associate units, those assigned to the UTANG but not part of the 151st ARW, provide other critical mission services.

The 299th Range Control Squadron (located at Hill Air Force Base, Utah), commanded by Lt. Col. John Teter was deactivated Sept. 30, 2009, after nearly 40 years of dedicated service. Other tenant units located at the Utah Air National Guard Base are the 130th Engineering Installation Squadron, commanded by Lt. Col. Karen Morris; 169th Intelligence Squadron, commanded by Lt. Col. Mitchell Hall; 109th Air Control Squadron, commanded by Maj Randy Stevens; and the 101st Information Operations Flight, commanded by Lt. Col. Kevin Nuccitelli.

The UTANG began as a fighter/bomber unit, and its mission has changed three times since 1946. The type of aircraft flown by the Wing has changed seven times. The current aircraft are KC-135R aerial refuelers, which were assigned to Utah in 1978 when the 151st ARW became part of the Strategic Air Command. The Wing transferred to the Air Mobility Command in June 1992. Since then, the aircraft's cargo and personnel transportations capabilities have been more frequently utilized.

Historical examples of federal services are numerous. Many UTANG members were called to serve 21 months during the Korean Conflict. Flying F-86 fighter aircraft, 10 pilots flew more than 100 missions each. One UTANG pilot, Capt. Cliff Jolley, shot down seven Soviet-made MIG-15 aircraft and became the first Air Guard "Ace" of the Korean Conflict. Two Utah pilots were killed during this conflict.

During the Middle East crisis in August 1990, UTANG members were some of the first to volunteer in support of Operation Desert Shield/Storm. UTANG's support of this operation continued well into 1991. More recently, members have supported national drug interdiction activities and have provided air refueling for tactical and transportation aircraft supporting military activities involving Bosnia, Kosovo and Southwest Asia. Additionally, members of the UTANG supported the Salt Lake 2002 Winter Olympics in various capacities.

The UTANG continued distinctive federal service during 2009 with missions around the globe in support of Operations Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom and Noble Eagle. The UTANG also supported numerous NATO operations and Air Expeditionary Forces missions. Critical personnel resources, needed to accomplish these and other UTANG missions, were supported through recruiting, retention, workforce diversity and family-readiness programs directed by headquarters leaders.

Local communities also saw continuing benefits from the UTANG. Activities included Sub for Santa, blood drives, Freedom Academy, the Adopt-a-School program, Scouting for Food and highway cleanup projects. The UTANG maintained its state of readiness should the State of Utah need support during an earthquake, flood, civil disturbance or major disaster. 

*Master Sgt. Brent Davis, 151st Security Forces Squadron, hugs his children after returning from a six-month deployment to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Staff Sgt David Thain and SrA Jesse Call, 151st Civil Engineering Squadron, level ground at U.S. Naval Station Guantanamo Bay. Twenty-two members of the 151st Security Forces Squadron pass under a water-cannon salute by the Utah Air National Guard Fire Department.*



# 151st Air Refueling Wing

FOR THE 151ST AIR REFUELING WING, 2009 continued to be a year full of deployments and events that kept our tempo high. The outstanding attitude of the Wing enabled another successful year.

The winter was spent in preparation for upcoming Wing deployments. A 30-day deployment to U.S. Southern Command left right after Christmas and returned in early February. Then the Wing deployed to Incirlik AFB, Turkey, in late February for 70 days. The deployment consisted of three KC-135s and approximately 270 Airmen in support of Operations Enduring and Iraqi Freedom. Other deployments consisted of 151st Security Forces to Eskan Village, Saudia Arabia; 151st Civil Engineering to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba; 191st to Geilenkirchen, Germany; and many other stateside deployments throughout the year.

The Utah Air National Guard continued its tradition of support to two governor inaugurations through the year: Governor Jon Huntsman in January and Governor Gary Herbert in August. Also, tradition continued with a Dining Out in May, hosted by Brig. Gen. David Hooper, Assistant Adjutant General for Air.

The Utah Air National Guard supported Hill AFB during Air Force Week, the first week of June. The weeklong event consisted of orientation flights, flyovers of sporting events and parades, static displays, concert, tours of the west range and an open house at Hill AFB.

The 151st ARW hosted a Family Day in August to show appreciation to families in support of their Guard member. The event consisted of an awards presentation of two Bronze Stars to two individuals from the 151st Civil Engineers. The event also included unit booths, food booths, live entertainment, kids rides and games, and static displays on the flightline.

A key event of the year was the retirement of the 151st ARW's last KC-135 "E" model to Hill AFB Aerospace Museum. The move to the museum consisted of 151st Maintenance Group personnel doing extensive disassembly of the aircraft to accomplish the move.

Another key event for the year was the breaking ground of a new 35,000-square-foot building that will house the fire station, fitness center, Explosive Ordnance Disposal unit and mobility processing. The facility will cost \$8.1M and is projected to be completed in 2011. 🇺🇸



*A Utah Air National Guard KC-135 tanker refuels a NATO E-3 Sentry AWACS above northern Germany July 29 during an air-refueling training mission. Lt. Col. Boyd Badli and 1st Lt. David Geerdes prepare for an Airborne Warning and Control System (AWACS) refueling mission. Boom-pod operator, Tech. Sgt. Tony Kalakis, watches the approach of a AWACS above northern Germany.*



# Our Heroes



