Florida’s Sunshine, Public Records, and Ethics Laws
Florida Defense Support Task Force

• 288.987 Florida Defense Support Task Force—

• (2) The mission of the task force is to make recommendations to preserve and protect military installations to support the state’s position in research and development related to or arising out of military missions and contracting, and to improve the state’s military-friendly environment for service members, military dependents, military retirees, and businesses that bring military and base-related jobs to the state.
Task Force

• Task Force required by section 288.987(7) to contract with the Department of Economic Opportunity, which subjects it to multiple requirements.

• Task Force has also contracted with EFI to provide ongoing administrative support.

• Task Force is a public agency subject to Florida’s public records and sunshine laws and members of board of directors are subject to Florida’s Code of Ethics.
Public Records
Chapter 119, Florida Statutes.

Definition of “public record” is very broad.

Section 119.011(12), Fla. Stat.
“Public records” means all documents, papers, letters, maps, books, tapes, photographs, films, sound recordings, data processing software, or other material, regardless of the physical form, characteristics, or means of transmission, made or received pursuant to law or ordinance or in connection with the transaction of official business by any agency.

- Includes a private entity acting “on behalf of” public agency.
- Used to perpetuate, communicate, or formalize knowledge.
What is a Public Record?

- Essentially ANYTHING that relates to the official business of FDSTF:
  - Documents?
  - Emails?
  - Text Messages?
  - Facebook Messages?

Yes! If it relates to the official business of FDSTF.

*To determine if something is a public record look at the content of record NOT the form of communication!*
Are there exemptions?

- Yes. Florida law provides that some public records are exempt or confidential and exempt from the public records laws.
  - Example: Social Security #’s, Certain Home Addresses, Certain Health information, etc.

- In order for something to be exempt- there must be a specific exemption in law.
Exemptions Specific to FDSTF

• 288.985(1)...a) That portion of a record which relates to **strengths and weaknesses of military installations or military missions in this state relative to the selection criteria for the realignment and closure of military bases and missions** under any United States Department of Defense base realignment and closure process.

• (b) That portion of a record which relates to **strengths and weaknesses of military installations or military missions in other states or territories and the vulnerability of such installations or missions** to base realignment or closure under the United States Department of Defense base realignment and closure process, and any agreements or proposals to relocate or realign military units and missions from other states or territories.

• (c) That portion of a record which relates to the **state’s strategy to retain its military bases** during any United States Department of Defense base realignment and closure process and any agreements or proposals to relocate or realign military units and missions.
Who can request?

• Anyone.

• Requestor not required to show a “legitimate” or “noncommercial interest”

• Request cannot be denied because “overbroad.” Agency may charge for copies and reasonable service charge.

• Requests do not have to be in writing. Requestor does not have to disclose identity or reason for requesting.
How long to keep records?

• Retention period depends on the **content** of the record not the form of the communication.
• Do NOT destroy or delete records without knowing the applicable retention period.
• FDSTF retention schedule not the same as legislative retention schedule.
Public Records Tips

• Avoid using personal accounts for communication that are not backed up.

• Do not respond to a public records request on your own. Contact FDSTF staff if you receive a public records request.

• Assume that every record you create or receive related to FDSTF is a public record.
Florida’s Sunshine Law in Article I section 24(b), Florida Constitution and Section 286.011, Florida Statutes provides a right of access to governmental proceedings of public boards or commissions at both the state and local levels.

- Law is equally applicable to both elected and appointed boards. Applies to virtually every public board in Florida with exception of Legislature and Judiciary.

- Applies to Florida Defense Task Force including any subgroup
Sunshine Law

• Three basic requirements:
  – Meetings must be open to the public.
  – Reasonable notice of meeting must be given.
  – Written minutes of meetings must be taken and recorded.
Sunshine Law

• Applies to *any* gathering of two or more members of the same board to discuss some matter which will *foreseeably* come before that board for action.
Sunshine Law

• Board members may not engage in private discussions with each other about board business, either in person or by telephone, emailing, texting, or any other type of communication (Facebook, blogs, etc.)
Sunshine Law

• Does not apply to staff as long as acting in traditional staff role.

• However, staff cannot be used as a liaison to communicate information from one board member to another.
Sunshine Law

• Exemptions must be in law and must be specific to Sunshine Law (public records exemption does not close a meeting).

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Sunshine Exemption FDSTF

• (2)(a) Meetings or portions of meetings of the Florida Defense Support Task Force, or a workgroup of the task force, at which records are presented or discussed that are exempt under subsection (1) are exempt from s. 286.011 and s. 24(b), Art. I of the State Constitution.

• (b) Any records generated during those portions of meetings that are exempt under paragraph (a) are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.
Members of the Board of Directors are subject to certain provisions of Florida’s Code of Ethics in Chapter, 112, part III.
Ethics

- Prohibited from soliciting or accepting anything of value to influence official action;
- Prohibited from doing business with one’s agency;
- Prohibited from accepting unauthorized compensation to influence vote or official action;
Ethics

• Prohibited from misusing position to secure benefit for self or others;

• Prohibited from entering into a conflicting employment or contractual relationship;

• Prohibited from disclosing or using info for personal or business gain;
Ethics

• Prohibited from serving simultaneously as officer and employee; and

• Subject to nepotism prohibitions.
Voting Conflicts

• May NOT vote on any matter that the Board member knows would inure to his or her special private gain or loss.

• Must disclose the nature of conflict by filing FORM 8A-Memorandum of Voting Conflict for State Officers with person taking meeting minutes.

• Should file Form before vote, or if not possible, no later than 15 days after the vote.
Voting Conflicts

• **May vote** on any matter that the Board member **knows would inure to his or her special private gain or loss of:**
  
  – Any principal by whom the Board member is retained;
  – Relative; or
  – Business Associate.

• Must disclose the nature of conflict by filing FORM 8A- *Memorandum of Voting Conflict for State Officers* with person taking meeting minutes.

• Should file Form **before** vote, or if not possible, no later than 15 days after the vote.
Ethics
FDSTF Board Members

• Board Members must file Financial Disclosure Form 1 Statement of Financial Interests (if not already required to file Form 6 - Full Disclosure);

• Filing Financial Disclosure makes Board members “Reporting Individuals” and also subject to:
  – Gift ban (s. 112.3148, F.S.);
  – Lobbying expenditure ban (s. 112.3215(6)(a), F.S.);
  – Prohibition on gifts from political committees (s. 112.31485, F.S.); and
  – Honorarium restrictions (s. 112.3149, F.S.).
Transparency & Ethics

• Reimbursement must be made according to section 112.061.

• Lodging expenses may not exceed $150/day, excluding taxes, unless participating in a group rate or at least three rates were acquired.
Transparency & Ethics

• TASK FORCE shall ensure the following information is posted on its website for public viewing:

a. A list of TASK FORCE members;
b. TASK FORCE contact information;
c. A copy of the most recent TASK FORCE Strategic Plan;
d. TASK FORCE public meeting notices as required by Florida law;
e. A copy of TASK FORCE’s approved meeting dates for the current year;
f. Copies of TASK FORCE’s meeting agendas and minutes, and copies of any presentations made by TASK FORCE or any of TASK FORCE’s guest speakers;
g. TASK FORCE’s weekly updates;
h. A copy of the TASK FORCE’s current fiscal year publicly-funded budget, including revenue amounts and sources, as well as budgeted expenses;
Transparency & Ethics

(CONTINUED)

• TASK FORCE shall ensure the following information is posted on its website for public viewing:

  i. TASK FORCE’s most recent Annual Report;
  j. TASK FORCE’s current five year plan;
  k. A public version of the TASK FORCE’s most recent independent economic impact study;
  l. A copy of TASK FORCE’s most recent Public Briefing;
  m. All TASK FORCE’s reports prepared in connection with ;
  n. A list of all TASK FORCE’s grant recipients, organized by year;
  o. Copies of each active TASK FORCE contract for services;
  p. Copies of any deliverables or reports due under each active TASK FORCE contract for services that isn’t exempt from public records disclosure pursuant to section 288.985, F.S.
2. TASK FORCE’s website must:

a. Be updated regularly based on the type of information being posted (e.g., if the item of information is a weekly report, then that information should be updated weekly; if the item of information being posted is an annual report, then that information should be updated at least annually).

b. use appropriate Internet security measures to ensure that no unauthorized person has the ability to alter or modify records available on the website;

c. allow users to navigate to related sites to view supporting details;

d. enable viewers to email questions to TASK FORCE; and

e. make such questions and TASK FORCE’s responses publicly viewable.
Tyndall AFB
Resiliency/Mission Return
“Base of the Future”

Presentation to the Florida Defense Support Task Force

March 28, 2019
State of Tyndall

- Tyndall AFB was hit directly by Hurricane Michael on October 10, 2018. App 20 tenants, 54 F-22s, 16 T-38s, 18 QF-16s. Base was 31% of county economy.

- Post Storm Condition- President, Vice President, SECAF, and CSAF have all announced the rebuilding of Tyndall AFB as the base of the future
  - 3 Full Squadrons of Operational F-35s (72 aircraft)
  - 1 MQ-9 Wing (24 aircraft)
  - Industry Day 31 January 2019
Need

• DoD Supplemental Funding to rebuild Tyndall AFB
• Estimated cost is $4.5-$5.1B
• Air Force has absorbed the costs since the storm
• We need support to:
  – Monitor and help Pentagon and Federal Officials navigate the funding & budget process
  – Work the EIS processes for both the MQ-9 Wing and the F-35 new mission
Urgency of the Need

- Air Force has already spent over $400M on the Tyndall rebuild and will spend up to $750M by 30 Sept 2019
- The Air Force cannot continue to fund this requirement out of current funds
- 2 Disaster Supplemental Funding bills have passed the House. 1 is now being considered by the Senate
- The FY20 President’s Budget Request included $2.1B for the Tyndall AFB rebuild but must be approved by Congress
Grant Request

– Gulf Coast State College is requesting $144,000 of FDSTF funding to ensure that the Tyndall rebuild and bed-down of future missions stays on track and receives all funding and approvals necessary

– GCSC will administer the grant and acquire the services of the Roosevelt Group to support

  • Ms. Kathleen Ferguson (former Acting and Deputy SAF IE) will be the primary support
Agenda

- Mission/Organization
- Chain of Command
- Federal Response
- State Response
- Programs That Add Value
Our Mission

Provide highly trained units and personnel to:

- Support national security objectives
- Respond to emergencies and disasters
- Support programs which add value to our state and nation
Organization Chain of Command

**The People**

- Governor
- Commander-In-Chief
- Adjutant General
- DMA/Joint Force HQ

**President Commander-In-Chief**

- SECDEF

**Combatant Commanders**

- SECAF
- Chief of Staff
- AIR Units

- SECARMY
- Chief of Staff
- ARMY Units

**Division of Emergency Management**

- Chief, NGB

**Title 10 Mobilization**

Units & Personnel *may be placed under federal authority*
Support to Federal Authorities

- Operation Noble Eagle (ONE) National Capitol Region Integrated Air Defense
- Operation Jump Start (OJS) (Southwest Border States)
- Operation Freedom’s Sentinel (OFS) (previous mission: Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF)) (Afghanistan/Uzbekistan/Kyrgyzstan)
- Operation Stabilization/Kosovo Forces (SFOR/KFOR) (Bosnia/Kosovo)
- Operation Atlantic Resolve (OAR)
- Operation Inherent Resolve (OIR)
- Operations Spartan Shield (OSS)
- Operation Observant Compass (OOC) (previous missions: Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) and Operation New Dawn (OND) (Iraq/Kuwait/Qatar/Djibouti/Jordan/Bahrain/Germany/Africa)
- Airports, Seaports, Nuclear Sites
- Air/Space Expeditionary Force (AEF) (Saudi Arabia)
- Air/Space Expeditionary Force (AEF) (Iceland)
- Guantanamo Bay

283 Florida Guard Members Currently Mobilized
Over 20,729 Florida Guard Members Mobilized Since 9/11
Responding to State Emergencies
Disaster Response Capabilities

Currently Available and Accessible

- Est. 5,500 Soldiers and Airmen
- Capabilities
  - Security
  - Transportation
  - Engineers
  - Aviation
  - Humanitarian
  - Liaisons
  - Fire Fighting
  - Search & Rescue
  - Evacuation
- 500 member quick reaction force
- Emergency Management Assistance Compact

Unparalleled Experience in Support to Civil Authorities

- Long-standing relationships with local, state and federal partners
- Hurricanes, storms, floods, wildfires, tornadoes, mass evacuation
- Immigration Control – Haiti, Southwest Border

1992 to 2018 - 86 Activations – 933,581 Total Work-Days
Programs that Add Value
Community Role

Youth Challenge

A Key Responsibility

STARBASE

About Face

Forward March
We Work for You

www.floridaguard.army.mil/news
http://dma.myflorida.com
www.twitter.com/flguard
www.facebook.com/floridanationalguard
Agency Update

Captain Danny Burgess, U.S. Army Reserve

Executive Director
Did You Know?

- Nation’s 3rd largest veteran population
  - 1,525,400 total veterans
  - 1,172,800 wartime veterans
  - 144,200 women veterans
  - 203,000 retirees
  - 789,700 veterans over 65
  - 331,000 service-connected disabled veterans
- 725,800 enrolled in VA Health Care in Florida
- 51,100 enrolled in GI Bill

Did you know?

*Florida veterans bring in more than $18.4 Billion in Federal Dollars to Florida’s economy.*
The Sunshine State

Did you know?

More than 400,000 Florida veterans have the Veteran designation on their driver license or state ID Card.

Florida’s 1.5 million veterans represent all generations
- 61,600 World War II veterans
- 139,100 Korean War veterans
- 519,800 Vietnam veterans
- 188,000 Gulf War veterans
- 177,000 Post-9/11 veterans
- 352,600 peacetime veterans

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Who We Are

- FDVA is a Cabinet Agency responsible for connecting veterans & families with earned benefits & services

- Two primary program areas:
  - Division of Veterans’ Benefits and Assistance
  - State Veterans’ Homes Program
Agency Mission and Vision

**Mission:** To advocate with purpose and passion for Florida veterans and link them to superior services, benefits and support.

**Vision:** FDVA is the premier point of entry for Florida veterans to access earned services, benefits and support.
Who We Serve

- We proudly serve veterans dating back to just prior to World War II to the present day.
- Our veterans include Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines, Coast Guardsmen, Merchant Mariners, Guardsmen and Reservists from all branches of service.
Why We Serve

- Florida has the **third largest population of veterans** in the nation after California and Texas with more than 1.5 million veterans – 12 percent of the Sunshine State’s adult population.
- Florida’s **veterans are a major fiscal force** accounting for $18.4 billion that flow into Florida’s economy annually.
- Florida’s **veterans are a diverse group:**
  - More than 519,000 Vietnam veterans; 1 out of 3 vets in Sunshine State
  - More than 365,000 younger veterans from both Gulf War eras
  - About 9 percent (144,000) of Florida’s veterans are women
  - More than 789,000 Florida veterans are 65 years of age and over
    - World War II, Korean War, Vietnam War
FDVA operates and maintains six award-winning skilled
nursing facilities and one assisted living facility.

- Basic admission requirements for all state veterans’ homes in Florida include:
  - An honorable discharge.
  - Florida residency established prior to admission.
  - Certification of need of assisted living or skilled nursing care as determined by a VA physician.

- One State Veterans’ Nursing Home under construction in Port St. Lucie & one under renovation in Orlando (Lake Baldwin)
Ardie R. Copas SVNH Overview

**Key Points:**

- **Location:** 28.5 acres located west of I-95 in Port St. Lucie on Tradition Parkway
- **Facility:** 120-bed facility with bariatric amenities
- **Type:** Hybrid Conventional State Veterans’ Nursing Home
- **Cost:** Estimated at $58M
- **Completion:** Estimated completion: January 2020
FDVA’s Copas SVNH (#7)
Site Grading & Footers Overview
Lake Baldwin SVNH Overview

- Acquisition in 2014 from U.S. Government/U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (*FDVA ownership August 2018*)
- Location: Orlando/Lake Baldwin VAMC Complex
  - 5201 Raymond Street, Orlando, FL 32814
- 112-bed skilled nursing facility
- Conventional design
- Renovation cost $8.3M
- Estimated renovation completion: November 2019
- Shared utilities with USDVA with disconnect in five years
- Commercial laundry and kitchen pending
Lake Baldwin – Front View & Entry
Notable Achievements

- Veterans Court
- Florida Purple Heart Day
- Early course registration
- College credit for military training
- Florida Veterans’ Hall of Fame Council
- Business license fee waivers
- Specialty license plates
- Outreach & Branding campaign
- Established permanent Resident Trust Fund Threshold ($35 to $105)
- Competitive Pay adjustments (Clinical Staff)
Strategic Planning Focus

- Suicide Prevention
- Crisis Center Support
- Mental Healthcare
- Aging Veterans Support
- Benefits Education
- Transitional Services
- Transportation
- Wellness
Current Initiatives

- Educate 3,100 Florida ALF Administrators in Veterans’ Benefits
- Team with In-Home Health Care to keep Veterans at home
- Potential $1 Billion in Federal Benefits
- Suicide Prevention / Crisis Centers / Managing Entities / Mental Health / Opioid Addiction
Governor’s charge to adopt best practices for more effective delivery of earned benefits and to educate and connect Florida’s veterans to available resources.

- Friday, March 29 at USF’s Traditions Hall in Tampa
- 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Regional sessions to follow
1. **Legislative Budget Request**
   - Pay Raises for Nursing Staff
   - Proper Staffing for Nursing Homes (21 new positions)

2. **Legislative Proposals**
   - Extension of homestead tax exemption for spouses of combat wounded veterans 65 and older
   - Authorizing the potential for state funding for Veterans’ Hall of Fame Council members (i.e. travel)
Other Legislative Issues

- **Florida 2-1-1**
  - Enhance Veteran Suicide Prevention & Opioid Treatment

- **Veterans Courts**
  - Expand & standardize treatment court model

- **Alternative Therapies**
  - Target TBI / PTSD

- **Veterans’ Legal Hotline Initiatives**
  - Connect veterans with statewide legal services

- Exempting VA health care practitioners from licensing requirements when providing services to veterans
Veterans Florida

*Florida is for Veterans, Inc.*

Established under s. 295.21, F.S., with the mission to attract and retain veterans and their families by connecting them to employment, training and educational opportunities

- Strengthen Florida businesses by educating them on the value and skill sets veterans bring to the workforce and providing training resources for their veteran hires
- Enhance the entrepreneurial skills of veterans
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Under s. 295.22, F.S., administer the Veterans Employment and Training Services Program

- Career Services Program
  - *Veterans* - resume help, military to civilian skills matching, interview prep & placement
  - *Employers* - military skills translation, recruitment, workforce grants

- Entrepreneurship
  - *Veterans* - idea to business, mentorship, local resources

Under s. 295.23, F.S., coordinate marketing with VISIT Florida

- Retain and attract veterans in Florida & around the country
Florida Veterans Foundation

- FDVA’s Direct Support Organization; established by Florida Legislature in 2008 as 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization
  - Statewide Aging Veterans Outreach
    - Educate 60,000 aging veterans on earned benefits
    - Average life of earned benefits: $50K per veteran
    - Potential of $3 Billion of Federal VA money to the state, which could free up State Medicaid money
    - Keep veterans in their homes for health and longevity
  - Fund new DAV vans for statewide transportation of veterans
  - Match mental health/wellness grant for homeless veterans
Florida Veterans Foundation

- Collaborate with Veteran Service Organizations to provide emergency financial support of veterans in crisis.
- Suicide prevention, opioid addiction, Crisis Center, mental health collaboration to seek immediate support of veterans in crisis for mental health needs/solutions of peer to peer
- Funded legal helpline for veterans legal needs assessment.

- www.FloridaVeteransFoundation.org
- (850) 488-4181
Questions, Comments, Discussion

PROUDLY SERVING FOR 30 YEARS

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS’ AFFAIRS
About

- Established under s. 295.21, F.S., and the Florida GI Bill, **Florida Is For Veterans**, manages transition, workforce, and entrepreneurship programs.

- Administratively, operates under the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs.

- Managed by an independent board of nine, with the Governor, Senate President, and House Speaker each appointing three members.

- Staffed by twelve full time and four part time team members, two thirds of which are veterans, who run the daily operations and meet the mission of the organization and the legislative intent of the programs.
Mission

- Attract and retain Veterans and their families by connecting them to employment, training and educational opportunities
- Strengthen Florida businesses by educating them on the value and skill sets Veterans bring to the workforce and providing training resources for their Veteran hires
- Enhance the entrepreneurial skills of Veterans
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NAS Whiting Field
Anti-Terrorism and Force Protection: Clearing Westgate Mobile Home Park

FDSTF Meeting
May 16, 2019

Vacant Mobile Home
Overview

- Why the county purchased a vacant mobile home park
- Present condition
- Value to the U.S. Navy and justification for FDSTF grant
- Recap of funding request
Property Details and Purchase Background

- Located 646 ft from NAS Whiting Field main entrance
- 6 acre property was previously identified as priority property for base buffering purposes
- The county purchased the property in February 2019 at auction
- Navy will be pursuing a restrictive use easement
Present Condition

- Mobile home park with derelict manufactured homes
- County abated septic tanks to eliminate leaking raw sewage into Clear Creek
- Entrance has been blocked to deter vagrancy and dumping
- Public safety and health concerns remain
Value to the Navy and Justification of FDSTF grant

- Protects the mission from incompatible development, prevents base encroachment and increases value
- Adds to anti-terrorism force protection at NASWF main entrance
- Removal of blight and for aesthetic enhancement purposes
- Eliminates public safety and health concerns
- Protects the Clear Creek Watershed
Recap of Funding Request

- $93,200 request will be used to remove and dispose of 13 vacant and derelict mobile homes, a chicken coop, miscellaneous asphalt, trash and debris and abate and cap all utilities.
- Vegetation will be cleared at front of property for anti-terrorism force protection and land will be returned to green space following debris removal.
- The county has invested nearly $200,000 with the purchase of the property and abating septic tanks.
- The project can commence and be completed in less than 90 days.
Questions?
Florida Defense Support Task Force

FY 2019 - 2020 GRANT FUNDING APPLICATION

Presented by Josh Cockrell, Executive Director
Clay County Development Authority
About Camp Blanding Joint Training Center

Camp Blanding Joint Training Center (CBJTC) is a critically vital training center that annually trains over 350,000 Florida National Guard troops, active duty military, law enforcement officers, Department of Homeland Security agents, Drug Enforcement Agents, Florida Department of Law Enforcement agents, various Florida counties’ sheriff’s department personnel and first responders, and others.
The development pressure from the surrounding area has prompted CBJTC to make the areas along the border of the installation the highest priority for protection from development encroachment.

This project will purchase fee and/or less than fee interest in property(ies) within the approved Army Compatible Use Buffer (ACUB) around CBJTC by using matching funds from the FDSTF and the DoD REPI Program.
The property(ies) will be located within either Bradford County or Clay County.

The buffer will serve as protection from future development-related land-use impacts to the military installation as well as establishing an expanded buffer around CBJTC that will prevents strained relations with nearby residents thus improving the military-friendly environment in Clay County.
The buffer would also facilitate training capability growth within the current boundaries of the installation, as well as protect and safeguard current and future training operations at Camp Blanding.

An additional benefit provided by a permanent buffer area adjacent to the border of the installation is that it protects natural wetlands and state-listed flora and fauna from development activities.
This project will leverage approximately $2,000,000 of Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (DoD-REPI) funds. The specifics of the sale including the appraisals and contract negotiations will be handled by ACUB partner(s).

ACUB partner(s) will utilize the parcel(s) for flood mitigation and water recharge issues in this region. For properties located in Bradford County, there will be an annual payment in lieu of taxes.

The property(ies) are not included in the current Florida Forever Program and would be acquired by ACUB partner(s) as project lands or other protected lands.
This project directly supports the FDSTF mission, as described in F.S. 288.987, by preserving, protecting, and enhancing Florida’s military installations and to improve the states military friendly environment for service members that bring military and base related jobs to the state.

This project aligns with the FDSTF’s guiding principles (goals) as identified in the FDSTF Strategic Plan updated on 3/22/18, to identify, prioritize and address all current or potential base and range encroachment issues, including, but not limited to airspace, environmental, energy, frequency spectrum and land use compatibility.
Finally, the FDSTF Strategic Plan long-term strategic goals for all military installations are addressed by:

- Identifying encroachment challenges and working with state and local partners to reduce or eliminate encroachment affecting installations, ranges and flight corridors.
- Promoting land use agreements to increase or sustain ranges and their associated or escalating requirements and capabilities. This includes purchase of conservation or non-conservation land or development rights / restrictive easements that limit incompatible use.
Florida maintains and funds an effective installation encroachment prevention program for conservation and non-conservation lands.
SUMMARY

Installation encroachment acquisition of fee and/or less than fee interest in property(ies) within ACUB around CBJTC.

$500,000 of FDSTF Grant funding will be leveraged with approximately $2,000,000 of REPI funds, enabling the appraisal(s), surveying(s), and acquisition(s).

TOTAL: $2,500,000
OVERVIEW

• Brevard County Military Impact

• Defense Grant Management

• Building Upon Success

• Project Overview
# Patrick Air Force Base and Cape Canaveral Air Force Station

## Brevard County ECONOMIC & PERSONNEL IMPACT

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*Source: Patrick Air Force Base 2017 Economic Impact Study*
$5.47M DEFENSE GRANTS MANAGED

- $3.58M – Defense Infrastructure Grants
- $1.89M – Defense Reinvestment Grants

2003 - 2005
- CCAFS Environmental Assessment (03/04)
- Infrastructure Updates (PPCE) (04/05)

2009 - 2011
- Gaseous Helium Pipeline Extension to SLC 40 (08/09)

2018 - 2019
- Brevard County Emergency Operations Center Site Preparation (18/19)
Critical Bridge Infrastructure supporting Cape Canaveral Air Force Station Space Operations
CAPE CANAVERAL SPACEPORT CONNECTIVITY
SCOPE OF WORK

Assessment/Engineering Study

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FDSTF Mission...To improve the state’s military friendly environment for service members, military dependents, military retirees and businesses that bring military and base-related jobs to the state.

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2009 - 2019 MCEC has trained, provided services and materials to:
- 36 Cities
- 130 Schools/School Districts
- 9,995 Participants
- 439 Training events (Students, Parents, & Educators)
- Started 41 student programs that are still active today

9,995 Participants & 162,535 Impacted

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Atlantic Beach
Baker
Baldwin
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Fort Walton Beach
Gibsonton
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= Air Force Installation
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**S2S Programs** bring military and civilian kids together to welcome new students, create a positive environment, support academic excellence, and ease transitions as students pass in or out of schools. 100% acceptance is a hallmark of this program. The core values taught are:

- Leadership...student character growth
- Academics...educational adjustments
- Service...community outreach
- Finding the Way...campus, culture, and community
- Relationships...100% acceptance

**Military Student Transition Affiliates (MSTA)** serve as trained “navigators” and advocates for military-connected students and their families as they transition into and out of the school district.

- Identify military connected students in the LEA
- Support school registration and intake of military-connected students and families
- Connect military students to no-cost tutoring
- Detail and support state graduation requirements explanations
- Collaborate with School Liaison Officer for military resources
- Connect with EFMP (Exceptional Family Member Program)
- Build awareness of CYSS activities (Child and Youth School Aged Services)
- Connect new students to campus/district extracurricular activities

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Proposed plan for FDSTF approval of funding in the amount of $100,000 for programmatic support in upcoming budget year.
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An investment in military-connected students in Florida will result in a win-win-win outcome for everyone.

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Welcome to Santa Rosa County
Home of NAS
Exciting Whiting Field
NAS Whiting Field (NASWF)

- Home to Training Air Wing Five
- 2 primary fields and 12 Naval Outlying Fields (NOLF’s)
- Installation Excellence Award Winner: 2015 – 2016 – 2018
- Averages over 1 million flight operations per year – busier than Hartsfield-Jackson in Atlanta
Santa Rosa County
US Navy
Partnership
The Santa Rosa Model

The partnership formed over many years between NAS Whiting Field and Santa Rosa County is referred to at the highest levels of the Navy as “The Santa Rosa Model”
NASWF Training

- **100% of all helicopter training** for Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard is at NASWF
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- Produces over 700 pilots per year
Joint Land Use Study

- Prepared in 2003
- In depth evaluation of land uses around the existing Navy facilities within SRC and development of a compatible land use plan and land development regulations for adjacent properties.
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Ranked Military Child Populated Installation (Jan 2018 DoD Report)
Educational Support for Florida’s Military-Connected Children

Top Defense Spending Locations Gap Analysis

FDSTF Mission...To improve the state’s military friendly environment for service members, military dependents, military retirees and businesses that bring military and base-related jobs to the state.

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2016 Defense Economic Impact Estimates

Total State Economic Impacts

- State Economic Impact: $84.9 Billion
  - Employment: 801,747 Jobs
  - Sales Activity: $92.3 Billion
  - Consumption: $48.8 Billion
  - Capital Investment: $17.8 Billion

- Ranked Top Defense Spending County (2017 OEA.Gov Spending Report)
- Ranked Top Military Child Populated Installation (Jan 2018 DoD Report)
MCEC Current and Past Military Child Initiatives
... serving the Children of those who serve us all in Florida

**MILITARY SERVICES, DONOR, PRIVATE AND CORPORATE SPONSORS**

2009 - 2019 MCEC has trained, provided services and materials to:
- 36 Cities
- 130 Schools/School Districts
- 9,995 Participants
- 439 Training events (Students, Parents, & Educators)
- Started 41 student programs that are still active today

9,995 Participants & 162,535 Impacted

MCEC Current and Past Military Child Initiatives
serving the Children of those who serve us all in Florida

MILITARY SERVICES, DONOR, PRIVATE AND CORPORATE SPONSORS
Previous FDSTF Grant Success
June 2016 – May 2018

• Parent to Parent Program—making parents the best advocate for their child’s education
  • PtoP Team Hillsborough
    • 219 workshops for 4,890 participants
  • PtoP Team Escambia County
    • 66 workshops for 618 participants

• Elementary Student 2 Student™ training (5 Hillsborough County schools)

• Junior Student 2 Student® training (Tinker K-8) in Hillsborough County

• Professional development institute, “Helping Military Children Discover Their S.P.A.R.C: Strengths, Potential, Aspirations, Resourcefulness and Confidence”
  • 23 educators and service providers attended from Duval County
School Liaison Officer Relationships

• We enjoy a **longstanding collaborative relationship** with each of the Service’s Child & Youth Education Services managers

• MCEC Program Managers **coordinate directly** with DoD School Liaison Officers (SLO) globally

• There are 13 SLOs across FL that assist MCEC with identifying requirements, coordinating & scheduling our services and trainings for school districts

  - USAG Miami - Ileana Gonzalez-Posada
  - Jacksonville NAS – Teri Wanamaker
  - **Key West NAS – Dawn Mills**
  - Mayport NS – Sharon Kasica
  - Panama City NSA – Lynda Brown
  - **Pensacola NAS – Carissa Bergosh**
  - Whiting Field NAS – Dawn Kaunike
  - Tyndall AFB – Tamara Turnmeyer
  - Eglin AFB – Elaine LaJeunesse
  - Hurlburt Field – Lacey Allen
  - **MacDill AFB – Nelly Richards**
  - Patrick AFB – Susan Clark
  - Tinker AFB – Jason Crosby
Educational Support for Florida’s Military-Connected Children

**S2S Programs** bring military and civilian kids together to welcome new students, create a positive environment, support academic excellence, and ease transitions as students pass in or out of schools. 100% acceptance is a hallmark of this program. The core values taught are:

- Leadership...student character growth
- Academics...educational adjustments
- Service...community outreach
- Finding the Way...campus, culture, and community
- Relationships...100% acceptance

**Military Student Transition Affiliates (MSTA)** serve as trained “navigators” and advocates for military-connected students and their families as they transition into and out of the school district.

- Identify military connected students in the LEA
- Support school registration and intake of military-connected students and families
- Connect military students to no-cost tutoring
- Detail and support state graduation requirements explanations
- Collaborate with School Liaison Officer for military resources
- Connect with EFMP (Exceptional Family Member Program)
- Build awareness of CYSS activities (Child and Youth School Aged Services)
- Connect new students to campus/district extracurricular activities

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Proposed plan for FDSTF approval of funding in the amount of $100,000 for programmatic support in upcoming budget year.
School District Engagement

- Florida active campus student programs
  - S2S – 12 active schools
    - 4 HS Principals want training: 3 in Duval and 1 in Okaloosa
  - JS2S – 22 active schools
    - 3 Jr HS Principals want training: 2 in Hillsborough & 1 in Bay
  - eS2S – 4 active schools
    - 1 Principal wants training from Hillsborough

- MCEC Lieutenant General (Ret) H.G. “Pete” Taylor Partnership of Excellence Award
  - 2018 Exemplary Community Partnership, 2015 Outstanding Community Partnership and 2011 Exemplary Community Partnership
    - Tyndall AFB
    - Naval Support Activity Panama City
    - Bay District Schools
  - 2018 Recognized Community Partnership
    - MacDill AFB
    - Hillsborough County Schools

- 2019 MCEC National Training Seminar
  - 39 registered attendees from 4 school districts

- MCEC School District Members
  - Hillsborough, Clay, and Escambia County School Districts

- Letters of Endorsement from Principals & Superintendents (read ahead packet)
### Project Details/Funding/Outcome Measures

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<td><strong>Activity 1:</strong> Train school personnel and students to support transitioning military students from 3 school districts from Duval, Okaloosa, and Hillsborough counties (a total of 9 campuses).</td>
<td>$52,000</td>
<td>Instill a culture of 100% acceptance at targeted schools and ease transitions for students through a school-wide peer support program</td>
<td>100% of new students will be welcomed by the club</td>
<td>School Sponsors will utilize student record systems maintained by the campuses to identify and welcome new students.</td>
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<td>95% of clubs engage in semesterly outreach activities for new students to connect to their peers</td>
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<td>95% of clubs engage in annual service activities for new students to connect to their campus and community</td>
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**FDSTF Overall Long-Term Strategic Goals** for All Military Installations... Continue to identify areas where the state’s presence and actions have sustainable impacts on Florida’s military installations and missions including, but not limited to: **Support improvement of education programs in public schools adjacent to military bases**
## Task 2: Train ‘First Responders’ in School District/Schools to Bridge the Educational Gaps Among Military-Connected Students

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<td>Activity 1: Military Student Transition Consultant – Affiliate for Duval, Okaloosa, and Hillsboro Counties</td>
<td>$48,000</td>
<td>Ensure a positive transition experience for military-connected students and parents through an expert school and community navigator and advocate for military-connected students and their families</td>
<td>Identify and conduct intake interview with each newly enrolled military-connected student.</td>
<td>MSTA will connect students to resources and peer programs and assist in solving transition problems. Students will complete survey after MSTA support.</td>
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<td>Follow up within 1 month with all military-connected students after enrollment.</td>
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<td>Strengthen parent and campus relations by connecting with each new military family and sharing school and district resources.</td>
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<td>Conduct end of year surveys with military-connected students to measure positive transition success level.</td>
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MCEC Program Effectiveness

• Student Programs
  • 179 schools trained in 2018
    • 121 Middle and High Schools and 58 Elementary Schools
    • 5,101 S2S student members and 3,649 JS2S members
    • 70,943 students welcomed in 2018
    • 1,585 schools trained since program started in 2004
  • Impact outcomes
    • Student 2 Student provides proven consistent peer support to transitioning students with: Academics, Finding the Way, Relationships, Service, and Leadership
    • Students feel more accepted, with less anxiety, into a new school as they transition
MCEC Program Effectiveness

• Military Student Transition Affiliate (MSTA)
  • 11 Affiliates / 8 Districts / 3 States (AL, TX, SC)
  • Direct reach and impact on 4,312 people in 2018
    • 3,260 problem solving support
    • 440 new students welcomed
    • 612 new parent connections

• 2018 Top 3 trending topics
  • Academics
  • Social emotional support
  • College and career readiness

• 2018 District request targeted focus areas
  • Staff capacity building
  • Welcoming practices
  • Transcript & credit support for graduation
  • Social emotional support and small groups
Program Sustainment

- **Student 2 Student Program**
  - eNewsletters
  - Coaching from MCEC Student Programs Office
  - Webinars
  - Annual National Training Seminar
  - Frances Hesselbein Student Leadership Program
  - Booster Training
  - Student Leadership Training

- **Military Student Transition Affiliates**
  - Weekly Best Practice Email updates
  - Professional Development Monthly Teleconference
  - Program Manager hosts a fall Affiliate Professional Development training at MCEC Headquarters
  - Annual National Training Seminar

- **Funding Strategies**
  - Navy and USAF contracts currently in place
  - The Florida Senate Local Funding Initiative Request FY19-20 process
  - Florida House of Representatives Appropriations Project Request process
  - Corporate donors
  - Foundation grants
Educational Support for Florida’s Military-Connected Children

Return on Investment

Each of the research-based programs above have proven over the many years delivered by MCEC to have had a demonstratively positive impact in improving the educational experience of military-connected children and youth. When these students are doing well in the classroom, their military parents are more confident in the school district and the educational professionals who support them. These same parents pass on to other parents their favorable impressions and recommendations of the school, the district, and the surrounding neighborhoods. This in turn contributes to community growth and economic vitality.

An investment in military-connected students in Florida will result in a win-win-win outcome for everyone.
• These students have access to inclusive quality education opportunities,
• Service members can remain focused on their military mission and will be inclined to continue to serve,
• And local communities will continue to enjoy the economic value gained by the strong military presence and connection.
Mission Success

Depends On You
1. NS Mayport (15,000)
2. NAS Jacksonville (25,000)
   - OLF Whitehouse
3. USMC Blount Island Command
4. 125th Florida Air National Guard
5. US Coast Guard Sector Jacksonville
6. 832nd Army Transportation Battalion
7. NSB Kings Bay, GA
8. FL NG HQ - St Augustine
9. Cecil Field Commerce Center
   - USCG Hitron & FL Army National Guard
10. Camp Blanding
11. Several smaller units *
   - Army Corps of Engineers, Marine Reserves,
   - Army National Guard, and Recruiting Commands
Approximately how many military children are in Duval and Clay County?

A. 500
B. 5,000
C. 12,000
D. 20,000
## Military Dependents

United States & OCONUS

### Data on Military-Connected Children

(Figures are approximate as of November 2010)

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*Strengthening Our Military Families, Meeting America’s Commitment, January 2011, Office of the President of the United States*
A School Liaison Officer (SLO) is the communications and support link between the base commander, military families, and the local education agency.
Educational Transition Issues

- Inconsistencies from state-to-state
- School Calendars
- Course content sequencing
- Grad requirements
  - Credits
  - Courses
  - Testing
- Extracurricular eligibility
- Schedules (block versus traditional)

- Transfer of records
- Credit transfers
  - Grading criteria
  - Honors & AP courses
- Scholarship availability
- Deployment support
- Senior moves
- School quality
- Special Education challenges (EFMP)
SLO Responses

Youth Sponsorship
- Child and Youth Program Centered

Anchored 4 Life
- School based (most effective)

Student to Student
- Pre- A4L, still at several schools

Transition Centers and MFLCs
- Contact for new families with no transition program in their schools
Deployment & Transition Support

• Ensure local school districts are prepared to support Navy Families during deployments

• **Connect** installation deployment support to schools

• Develop **school-based** deployment support programs Military Family Life Counselors (MFLC) and Anchored 4 Life

• Connect **Transitioning Youth** to **Youth Sponsorship Programs** within the schools and Youth Activity Centers MFLC, Anchored 4 Life, Student2Student, Comfort Crew
Emotional Cycle of Deployment

Stage 1
Anticipation of Departure

Stage 2
Detachment and Withdrawal

Stage 3
Emotional Disorganization

Stage 4
Recovery and Stabilization

Stage 5
Anticipation of Return

Stage 6
Return and Renegotiation

Stage 7
Reintegration and Stabilization
Special Needs
System Navigation

• Recognize and support parents as the primary advocate for military children with special needs

• Be knowledgeable of special education regulations (state and federal) and the rights and responsibilities

• Make referrals to support and service providers (installation and community)

• Provide procedural information about special education as within the local education agency
Postsecondary Preparation

• Postsecondary in the 21\textsuperscript{st} century is no longer a choice between work-readiness and college-readiness.
  – Ready for life beyond high school
  – Ready for jobs that do not even exist today
  – Ready to be flexible to respond to changing knowledge and skill requirements of existing jobs
Getting Organized

• Making an informed decision NOW will save time, money, and heartache.

“The college in Maine has a better curriculum, but the college in New York has better pizza.”
Partnership In Education (PIE)

- PIE goal -- **involve military members**, employees in the educational enhancement of K-12 children

- **Build relationships** with school personnel by providing unit volunteer partnership programs

- Resources are directed in three primary areas:
  - Schools that Navy children attend
    - Child and Youth Programs
    - Other Community Schools

- **Adopt-A-School**: Unit level sponsorship of a particular school

- Coordinate services with PAO
Find YOUR School Liaison Officer

- Installation website
- Contact the Child and Youth Program Director
- www.cnic.navy.mil/cyp
RESOURCES

for military-connected families
“Educated people are not those who know everything, but rather those who know where to find, at a moment’s notice, the information they desire.”
Lean On the SLOs

• Sharon Kasica, School Liaison Officer
  NS Mayport
• Teri Wanamaker, School Liaison Officer
  NAS JAX
• Clainetta Jefferson, School Liaison Officer
  NSB Kingbay
Questions?

How can we assist?
“We ask so much from those that serve, we should not also ask that they sacrifice the quality of their children’s education.”

~ Melinda Gates
Hillsborough County Public Schools & MacDill AFB

Education is a top priority to a transitioning military family.

Van Ayres – Deputy Superintendent, Instructional
Shannon Lesperance – Exceptional Student Education
Kim Sukach – District Military Liaison
MacDill Council for Educational Excellence – MCEE

Purpose:
To enhance the educational experience of military-connected students enrolled in Hillsborough County Public Schools (HCPS).

Meeting Format
• MCEE meetings are held in January, April, July and October.
• 1st Hour- Council Leadership ~ 2nd Hour - Parent and Community Chair: Vice-Wing Commander (MAFB)
• Vice Chair- Deputy Superintendent, Instructional (HCPS)
MacDill Council for Educational Excellence (MCEE)

Education Strategy Key Points

• Collaborative effort between base officials and HCPS Superintendent
• Creates opportunities for excellence in military students' education
• Partnership between base/local school officials will determine success of desired outcome
• Assists parents in navigating through our school systems
• Enables on/off base partners to work in unison to support military families
School Choice and Enrollment

- Families that transition during the school year can apply for Magnet and School Choice upon arrival.
- Online application system allows active duty transitioning families to apply without a local address.
- Access to Florida Physical and Immunization Forms.
- Allow 10th and 11th grade students, of transitioning active duty members, to apply for International Baccalaureate (IB).
- Allowing families to start the year at attendance area school during home buying or rental process.
Graduation

Weighted Grade Point Average (GPA) for Transfer Students

Beginning with the 2015-16 ninth grade cohort, the following criteria must be met for transfer courses to receive Hillsborough County honors points.

• The course must be designated as honors in the state or district course code directory.
• The course must be designated as honors on the official transcript from the sending school.

For students who entered ninth grade prior to the 2015-16 school year, the official transcript must reflect a weighted grade for the designated honors course, in addition to the requirements above.

End of Course (EOC) Concordant/Comparative Scores for Graduation

Training of High School Counselors on Military Interstate Children’s Compact (MIC3)
Exceptional Student Education

- Establishing a point of contact in the Exceptional Education Office for military families.
- Allowing families to send Individual Education Plans (IEPS) prior to arrival for review.
- Collaboration between School Liaison Officer (SLO), Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) and the school district to meet the needs of exceptional families.
- Providing information to stakeholders through collaborative trainings and town-hall meetings.
Collaboration

- Adding programs to schools that serve the installation. (International Baccalaureate (IB), Modeling & Simulation, and Leader in Me.)
- Utilization of Military Child Education Coalition Programs including Student 2 Student, Parent 2 Parent and Professional Development.
- Partnering with MAFB on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math) Day allowing students to experience STEAM related Air Force careers.
- Yearly recognition of *Month of the Military Child* during April through a School Board Proclamation.
- Conversion of on base school from an elementary to a K-8.
Proposed Boundary
Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape

Proposed Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape Coordination Area
Overview
- Proposed Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape
- Eglin Air Force Base
- Other DOD Installation
- Existing Conservation
- Open Water
- Urban (per 2010 Census)
- State Boundary
- County Boundary

Credit: December 2012. Data: COB, ESRI, PDER, ROCK, MAIL, PBS, TNC, U.S. COAST GUARD, USGS. Projection: Mercator. Disclaimer: The Sentinel Landscape Coordination Area in Northwest Florida identifies lands important to the nation's defense mission. Federal, state and local governments may be interested in participating in or protecting lands within the proposed coordination area. The information presented in this Web-based tool or any application is intended for research, education and personal use only, and is in no way a recommendation for development, planning, or development of buildings and other structures. The information provided is intended to be used as a general reference tool and may be subject to errors and omissions. The Sentinel Landscape Coordination Area is not to be used for regulatory purposes.
Supporting Military Readiness
Benefiting Working Lands
Conservation Opportunities
Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape
Committed and Projected Partners (not all-inclusive)

- US Navy, NAS Pensacola
- US Navy, NAS Whiting Field
- US Navy, NSA Panama City
- USAF, Eglin AFB
- USAF, Tyndall AFB
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- USDA, Florida NRCS State Office
- USDA, Forest Service, National Forests in Florida
- US Geological Survey
- Apalachee Regional Planning Council
- Audubon Florida
- Bay Defense Alliance
- Conservation Florida
- Defenders of Wildlife
- Ducks Unlimited
- Florida Department of Environmental Protection - Division of State Lands
- Florida Natural Areas Inventory
- Florida Natural Areas Inventory
- Longleaf Alliance, Gulf Coastal Plain Ecosystem Partnership
- Northwest Florida Water Management District
- Okaloosa County Economic Development Council- Defense Support Initiatives
- Pensacola Chamber of Commerce
- Resource Management Service, LLC
- Suwannee River Water Management District
- Tall Timbers Land Conservancy
- The Conservation Fund
- The Nature Conservancy
- Trust for Public Land
- Emerald Coast Regional Council
How our partners will be supporting the Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape?

We are asking our partners to help us demonstrate that the designation creates value added benefit through the Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape partners committing to do more than just citing the ongoing delivery of existing programs and efforts (which of course are often more robust than available in other states).

We are encouraging our partners to write letters of support describing their commitments which we would submit with the proposal to the federal Sentinel Landscapes Partnership committee (DOD, USDA, USDI) this coming fall.
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National Trends in Defense Spending
National Defense Outlays by Service

Budget Control Act of 2011

2024 Forecast

Source: US Department of Defense, FY2020 Greenbook
Defense Spending as a Share of Federal Budget and GDP

Peaked at 37% of Economy

2020 Estimate = 4% of GDP

Source: US Department of Defense, FY2020 Greenbook
Trends in Florida Defense Spending
Florida Defense Industry Economic Impact Analysis

- **Spending Type**
  - Installation Footprint
  - Procurement
  - Transfer Payments

- **Economic Impact Components**
  - Federal Military
  - National Guard
  - Coast Guard
Defense Spending in Florida 2011 - 2018

Source: US Dept. of Veterans Affairs; DOD Office of the Actuary; US Dept. of Treasury; US Bureau of Economic Analysis
Manufacturing has nearly doubled since 2015, led by Aerospace and Engineering in Brevard and Orange Counties.
Key Takeaways

- Direct spending up 11.4% over 2016 (nominally)
- Growth driven by 24.5% increase in defense contracts
- Since 2009:
  - Veterans population down 11% vs 15% nationally
  - Retiree population up 9% vs 7% nationally

Source: US Department of Defense
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