IS FLORIDA RESILIENT ENOUGH?

Dr. Julia Nesheiwat, Chief Resilience Officer
Executive Office of the Governor, Florida
CHIEF RESILIENCE OFFICER ROLE

Resilient Florida

Strategize
Develop **strategic resilience goals** for protecting coastal communities and fortifying infrastructure for continued state prosperity.

Coordinate
Coordinate **statewide policy** to prepare for impending environmental, physical, and economic challenges.

Advocate
Advocate for **high-priority resilience initiatives** throughout the state in order to better integrate resilience planning at all levels.

Partner
Partner with **state agencies** (FDEP, FDOT, FDEM, FDACS, FWC, DEO), **local communities**, and **stakeholders**.
WHY BE RESILIENT?

**SEA LEVEL RISE**
- 1.5ft of SLR by 2030 and 4ft of SLR by 2060 (NOAA EXTREME SCENARIO)

**HURRICANES**
- 120 direct hits to all Florida coasts since 1851, most in the US (NOAA)

**FLOODING**
- Florida has 2,555 miles of roads, 3 feet below the high tide line, at risk to flooding (Climate Central)

**MEXICO BEACH, FL 2017**
- Damage from 25 inches of rain
- NOAA SLR PROJECTIONS

**MEXICO BEACH, FL 2018 (POST HURRICANE MICHAEL)**
- NOAA EXTREME SCENARIO

**DAMAGE FROM 25 INCHES OF RAIN COLUMBIA COUNTY**
- PHOTO: FEMA

**PHOTOS: NOAA**
ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS

Hurricane Irma Impacts:

$50B IN DAMAGE
Hurricane Irma destroyed 25% of the keys

$2.5B LOST
From destruction to Florida’s crops

$27B BUSINESSES IMPACT
Across all counties in Florida

$2.5B TOURISM INDUSTRY IMPACT
Associated with less visitor spending

Florida has $2.86 trillion insured property vulnerable to hurricanes
Response to sea level rise and flooding in Florida may cost $76B by 2035
DISASTER MITIGATION
BRIC allows FEMA to invest grant funds in infrastructure projects before a disaster affects an area.

RECOVERY COMMITMENT
Governor DeSantis efforts:

$1B FOR RECOVERY
Awarded by FDEM for hurricane recovery

$28M INVESTED
In Northwest Florida, one year after Michael

$1.2M TO STUDY EVACUATIONS
As part of the Bolder, Brighter, Better Future budget – the Governor has committed funds for several recovery efforts, including proactive planning.
Looking ahead to prepare for the future

**MORE INTENSE/FREQUENT RAIN**
Increasing daily downpours and flooding

**HIGH INTENSITY HURRICANES**
Increase of up to 10% in destruction potential and higher rainfall rates

**MORE TIDAL FLOODING**
Tidal flooding has increased 352% since 2000

*Sources: NOAA*
FLORIDA'S FUTURE (2030)

Population increase from 21 Million to 26 Million
Employment increase from 8.6 Million to 10.1 Million
Visitor increase from 126 million to 175 Million
Economy - $1 trillion GDP today
Continued Prosperity

We have a lot at stake......
RESILIENCE SOLUTIONS

Ability of physical, social, environmental, & governmental assets to absorb, recover, & adapt to adverse events

This has to be our approach
FLORIDA RESILIENCE IS TAKING SHAPE

State agencies are beginning to incorporate resilience into infrastructure planning
- FDEP Florida Resilient Coastlines Program
- FDOT Resiliency Primer/ Strategic Intermodal System Vulnerability and Risk Assessments
- Florida Ports Council Seaport Resilience Report

Local & regional investment efforts are occurring
- Miami Beach is investing $400 million toward seawalls and other mitigation
- Fort Lauderdale has a $1 billion stormwater plan for increased flooding
- Hillsborough County and south Florida communities have invested in Vulnerability Assessments to find at risk infrastructure

SOURCES: Southeast Florida Climate Compact, USDOT
Florida 2030 Goal: All Florida residents protected by resiliency plans

Support and incentivize communities to complete **vulnerability assessments** and develop resilient redesign efforts.

Identify and implement actions to improve **Adaptation Action Areas** throughout Florida for coastal communities at risk.

Encourage and incentivize communities to enter the **Community Rating System (CRS) program** and reduce their CRS score, making them less vulnerable and reducing flood insurance costs for property owners.

Make **science-based decisions** about how to protect, increase responsiveness, and invest in regions and communities at risk from extreme weather, coastal flooding, and other dangers.

SOURCE: Florida Chamber of Commerce
CALL FOR ACTION

Let’s Create Resilient Communities & Infrastructure

Collaboration
Strategic & Tactical Plans
Legislative Actions
Funding and Implementation
ROLE OF BUSINESS LEADERS

- Prepare Workforce
- Build Safer and Smarter Facilities/ Systems
- Secure Supply Chain
- Connect with Community
- Act and Advocate

Leading the way in community resilience
Florida Defense Industry Economic Impact Analysis
2020 Update

Presented by
Matt Schwalb, MS
Senior Research Analyst
Matrix Design Group
Agenda

- National Trends in Defense Spending
- Trends in Florida Defense Spending
- Statewide Impacts
- Regional Impacts
- Key Takeaways
National Trends in Defense Spending
National Defense Outlays by Service

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

Peaked at 37% of Economy

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.
Transfer Payments (Retiree Pensions), Florida 2009 - 2018

Source: US Department of Defense
Statewide and Regional Economic Impacts
Florida Defense Industry Impacts, 2018

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Dollar values are current USD

Source: REMI PI+ Florida Counties (Build 5294) V.2.2.2

Distribution of Impact by Component:
- **Military**: 92%
- **National Guard**: 5%
- **Coast Guard**: 3%
## Regional Defense Impacts, 2018

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The So What…

- Total economic impacts ≈ $95 billion (2018)
- Total jobs supported ≈ 915,000 (2018)
- Impacts have grown nominally by 12% since 2016
- Defense industry continues to accounts for roughly 9% of Florida's economy
- Since 2015, defense-related manufacturing contracts have doubled to $9 billion, led by Brevard and Orange counties with $5.7 billion combined
Thank You
Lt. Col. Steve Murray, U.S. Air Force (Ret)
Communications & External Affairs Director
Mission & 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.
Ardie R. Copas
State Veterans’ Nursing Home

- 120-bed Skilled Nursing Facility in Port St. Lucie
- Groundbreaking on March 20, 2018
- Initial hiring - January
- Open Mid-2020
Lake Baldwin (Orlando)
State Veterans’ Nursing Home

- 112-bed former VA Community Living Center on VA Campus at Lake Baldwin (Orange County)
- Nine-month refurbishment started August 2019
- Open Mid-2020
- Will rename facility for Florida Medal of Honor recipient
New Statewide Initiative
2019 Legislative Successes

- HB 427, sponsored by Rep. Tommy Gregory & Sen. Joe Gruters, allows the flying of the Honor and Remember Flag to serve as state’s emblem of the service and sacrifice of the brave men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces who have given their lives in the line of duty.

- Allows flag to be flown on Veterans Day, Gold Star Mother’s Day and day on which member of U.S. Armed Forces who is Florida resident loses his or her life.

Expands available therapies for eligible veterans to include accelerated resolution therapy, equine therapy, music therapy, service animal training therapy & hyperbaric oxygen therapy at registered facilities.
Editorial: Finding Solutions to Veteran Suicides Require All-Hands-On-Deck

A disturbing number of Veterans take their own lives in the U.S. On average, approximately 7,300 Veterans die from suicide each year. Despite significant efforts and billions of dollars invested by the state and federal governments across the nation, suicide rates among Veterans rose 26 percent from 2005 to 2016. In Florida alone, nearly 600 Veterans die from suicide each year at a rate slightly higher than the national average.

Finding a solution to this public health crisis requires an aspirational, innovative, all-hands-on-deck approach — not government as usual. The VA alone cannot achieve effective or lasting reductions in the Veteran suicide rate. To make a real impact, Federal, state, and local providers of resources must partner together, pool resources, and coordinate care and delivery of services efficiently.

In Florida, we recognize these challenges and are taking proactive steps to break down bureaucratic barriers, working together to form a wide-ranging coalition of government and non-profit organizations who offer resources to Veterans in need of our help the most — before they reach a crisis point.

We are proud to say that we are making progress on multiple fronts. This is best demonstrated through the development and growth of the Florida Veterans Support Line, 1-844-MYFLVET (693-5838). Supported by the VA Sunshine Healthcare Network (VISHN B), Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs, Florida Department of Children and Families, and operated by the Crisis Center of Tampa Bay, the line provides confidential emotional support and connection to community resources 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The line is available to all Veterans in Florida.

Our work does not stop here. As we continue to move forward together, we are meeting and learning from communities and local organizations about how best to partner with them and leverage the resources they can provide. Likewise, we are proactively working on expanded public health initiatives to align with Presidential Executive Order 13881 “National Roadmap to Empower Veterans and End Suicide” and opportunities that may become available from the national task force.

We continue to support and promote the abundance of VA resources available to Veterans to include the Veterans Crisis Line (1-800-273-8255, press 1). Like the Florida Veterans Support Line, Veterans can call to receive confidential support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, even if they are not registered with VA or enrolled in VA health care.

So, what can you do to help? First, add the Veterans Crisis Line and Florida Veterans Support Line to your mobile phone contacts. Second, share the numbers with others and ask them to do the same. Third, visit www.vetinfo.va.gov/everyone.asp to download and share outreach materials. Be there for Veterans and active duty service members who may be in crisis. Listen to what they say, ask the hard questions, and assist them with connecting with VA and other important community resources. Be the difference and be there for a Veteran in crisis.

Sincerely,

Miguel H. LaPuz, MD, MBA
Network Director
VA Sunshine Healthcare Network (VISHN B)

Danny Burgess
Executive Director
Florida Department of Veterans’ Affairs

Clara Reynolds, LCSW, MBA
President and CEO
Crisis Center of Tampa Bay

FLORIDA VETERAN SUICIDE PREVENTION WEEK

WHEREAS, suicide is a national public health concern that causes grief, pain, and confusion in communities across Florida; and

WHEREAS, our veterans and their families make selfless sacrifices in defense of our Nation’s great freedoms and deserve our continuous support in the midst of the stress and grief they may experience before, during, and after their service; and

WHEREAS, suicide prevention and crisis intervention efforts are bringing together federal, state and local governments, community groups and faith-based organizations to educate the public on available resources and directly intervene to combat veteran suicides; and

WHEREAS, to connect our state’s veterans who may be facing an emotional or mental health crisis with lifesaving care, a new multi-year partnership is in place involving the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, Florida Department of Veterans’ Affairs, Florida Department of Children and Families and Crisis Center of Tampa Bay;

WHEREAS, in 2019, Florida House Bill 501 expanding alternative treatment therapies for veterans with post-traumatic stress and traumatic brain injury was signed into law; and

WHEREAS, at the 2019 Veterans Affairs/Department of Defense National Suicide Prevention Conference participants and leaders shared their suicide prevention and crisis intervention efforts; and

WHEREAS, First Lady Casey DeSantis is championing suicide prevention efforts as part of her Hope for Healing campaign, which strives to combine the resources and efforts of the public and private sectors to better serve Floridians struggling with mental health and substance abuse; and

WHEREAS, Florida’s Veterans Affairs Medical Centers plan to host a number of outreach events during the month of September designed to educate the public on local, state and federal suicide prevention resources available to veterans and their families; and

WHEREAS, all Floridians are encouraged to support Florida’s veterans who have ensured our country remains the land of the free.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ron DeSantis, Governor of the State of Florida, do hereby extend gratitude to all observing September 8-14, 2019, as Florida Veteran Suicide Prevention Week.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Florida to be affixed at Tallahassee, the Capital, this 8th day of September, in the year two thousand nineteen.

Governor

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GI Law

- Governor’s Initiative on Lawyers Assisting Warriors (GI LAW)
- Launched April 2019
- Leverages talent of our leading law firms to provide pro bono services to military members
- In conjunction with base judge advocates
Legislature established to honor veterans, both living and deceased, for their post-military service to Florida

Class of 2019 approved by Governor & Cabinet, Sept. 24

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Irving Friedman
USN Veteran
(Port St. Lucie)
Track 2020 Legislation

Florida Veteran Legislation

Regular sessions of the Florida Legislature begin on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in March and continue for 60 consecutive days, which may be extended by a three-fifths vote of each house. Special sessions may be called by the Governor, or may be convened by joint proclamation of the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives. Special sessions may not exceed 20 days, unless extended by a three-fifths vote of each house. The Florida fiscal year starts July 1 of every year.

The 2019 Legislative Session began on March 5, 2019 and will conclude on May 3, 2019.

Provided here is a list of Florida veteran-related legislation and veteran-related appropriation requests that the agency is tracking. Please note, during session and interim committee weeks, this list is updated weekly. Otherwise, this list is updated monthly. If you have any general questions, please contact the FDVA legislative staff. If you have specific questions pertaining to the legislation or appropriation request, please contact the member who is sponsoring the legislation or request. Inclusion of legislation in this report is for informational purposes only.

Inclusion does not imply endorsement of, support of, or opposition to any particular piece of legislation by the Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Florida Veteran-Related Legislation

Legislation Tracking Websites:
Florida Veterans’ Care Coordination Program

- Proposed bill authorizes FDVA to establish the Florida Veterans’ Care Coordination Program to provide veterans and their families with behavioral health care referral and care coordination services.
- Bill allows FDVA to contract with a nonprofit entity to enter into agreements with Florida 2-1-1 Network participants to provide such services while providing program goals and the statewide delivery of services.
- Continues statewide expansion of Program that will not be funded after June 30, 2020.
Health Care Licensing
Requirements for VA Doctors

• Currently, doctors employed by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and practicing in Florida do not have to have a Florida Medical License.

• Proposed bill will allow MDs and Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine employed by the VA who are licensed in other states, to practice in private medical facilities in Florida.

• Legislation applies only to veterans who are currently receiving care through the VA using their earned benefits.
In 2019, legislature expanded eligibility for veterans by including contractors and removing requirements of general discharge.

This year, FDVA is looking to address standardization and funding for the court statewide.

The bill specifically addresses:
- Adding a gatekeeper to Veterans Treatment Courts
- Allowing alleged victim right to participate in veteran’s treatment
- Provides standards for determination of acceptance into program
Homestead Tax Exemption

• Joint resolution proposes an amendment to the Florida Constitution to allow the same ad valorem tax discount on homestead property for combat-disabled veterans age 65 or older to carry over to the surviving spouse of a veteran.

• Discount would apply to the property until the surviving spouse remarries, sells, or otherwise disposes of the property.
Veterans Protection Act

• Proposed legislation would add “veterans” as defined in Sec. 1.01, Fla. Stat., to the state’s White Collar Victim Protection Act, Sec. 775.0844.

• Bill would make it a first-degree felony to commit a listed fraud crime against a group of veterans or a veteran fraud against a larger group of Florida victims.

• Protects Florida veterans from crimes targeting veterans and crimes by persons using stolen valor pretending to be veterans.
Connecting with FDVA

www.FloridaVets.org
Mission and Programs

Purpose

Veterans Florida is a non-profit corporation created by the State of Florida in 2014 to help veterans fully transition to civilian life in the Sunshine State and to promote Florida, the most veteran-friendly state in the country, as the best place to reside upon leaving the military.
**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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Lynda Weatherman
## VETS Program
Veterans Employment and Training Services, Section 295.22, Florida Statutes

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## Marketing
Target

US Servicemembers within 12 months prior to, and veterans within 24 months after, separating or retiring from the military

200,000

Geographically located at major and minor military installations in Florida and around the country, predominantly in the Southeast US, Texas, California, and East Coast US
### Marketing

#### Reach

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### Marketing

#### Branding and Messaging

*Veterans Florida*

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A high-growth economy, no taxes on income or military retirement, and beautiful weather all year. Create a profile to let us power your pursuit.

*High Speed, Low Drag.*

Careers, Resumes, Placement.

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*Veterans Florida*

Published by Hootsuite 1912 - January 3 at 6:00 PM.

- The country's top schools?
- Veteran resource centers on every campus?
- Booming economy?

Florida’s the top state for veterans and it’s not even close.

https://www.veteransflorida.org/veteran-r.../higher-education/

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# 1 for Higher Education

*Veterans Florida*

Published by Hootsuite 1921 - 30 mins.

Veterans can be the #1 for higher education. Why?

- Top schools
- Veteran support services
- Strong economy

Veterans are the top choice for higher education.

https://www.veteransflorida.org/veteran-r.../higher-education/
Career Services

Transition Services
- Inform about Florida industries and opportunities
- Activity checkpoints as retirement or separation approaches

Career Services
- Skills and career preference assessments
- Resume assistance
- Interview preparation

Job Placement
- Coach veterans through start date at new job

Available to transitioning service members, veterans, Guard/Reserve, and spouses

Workforce Services

Workforce Recruiting
- Seek to fill open jobs with military veterans
- Review resumes with military experience and make job match recommendations based on transferable skills

Workforce Training Grant
- 50% reimbursement for employer paid, skills based training for veteran employees, new or existing
- Up to $8,000 per veteran
- Up to $200,000 total per year
- High tech industries have preference

Available to veteran friendly Florida employers
### Entrepreneurship

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<td>● Topical and specific lessons for a group lasting a few hours</td>
<td>● In depth courses over several weeks</td>
<td>● Reserved memberships for veterans to take advantage of office and meeting space, local resources, and mentoring</td>
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<td>● Help build their local business and mentorship network</td>
<td>● 10-12 veteran businesses in Idea/Startup or Growth</td>
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<td>● Pathway for moving business to next stage</td>
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Available to transitioning service members, veterans, and Guard/Reserve - spouses may join.

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### Agriculture

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<td>● 6 months paid internship at a University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Research Center</td>
<td>3 months paid internship at private farm to apply skills learned during IFAS Internship</td>
<td>Place into full time work in agriculture industry</td>
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<td>● Learn skills in various Florida agricultural areas from farming to ranching</td>
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Available to transitioning service members, veterans, and Guard/Reserve.
Results

- Career Assistance*: 2,500+
- Job Placement**: 34
- Workforce Trained*: 608
- Workforce Grants*: $1,878,837
- Entrepreneur Trained*: 492
- Entrepreneur Revenue*: $25,595,907
- Agriculture Trained***: 8

*since January 2016, **since July 2017, ***since October 2018

Request

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Mission and Programs

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**FDSTF Grant Program**

- Supports military communities by funding selected projects that:
  - Directly support preserving, protecting or enhancing the installation
  - Increase the military value of the installation
- Will use funds authorized by the legislature in current session
  - Contracts will be awarded using funds for the next Fiscal Year
- May inform the Legislative Budget Request (LBR) process
- Maximizes opportunity to get impactful projects

*Can always take out of cycle grant applications if funding is available*
**Annual Program Flow**

- **Aug** - Application window opens for following Fiscal Year funding
  - Staff reviews applications and develops recommendations

- **Sep** - Task Force (TF) Mtg: TF reviews potential projects (no decision)
  - Staff uses review to estimate grant funding levels and develop budget request for following Fiscal Year
  - TF discusses submitted applications to inform LBR process

- **Mar** - TF Mtg: TF decides which applicants to invite to provide in-person project presentations

- **May** - TF Mtg:
  - TF approves budget for the next FY
  - TF hears presentations on selected proposals and votes on grant awards for winning projects

- **Jun/Jul** - Governor announces winning grant recipients

- **Jul** - Execute contracts announced in June using current Fiscal Year

*TF Staff accepts Out-of-Cycle Applications throughout year for emergency and emerging needs*
## Annual Grant Funding Flow Diagram

### Task Flow

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Florida Defense Support Task Force

Discussion?
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.
Task Force

• Task Force (by letter) has assigned authority to EFI to take administrative and operational action in name of Task Force and to serve as Task Force’s representative in direct interactions with the State and to:

  – Make staffing and administrative decisions to support Task Force;

  – Enter into and execute contracts on behalf of Task Force as its legal designee.
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, officers, directors and employees of the Task Force are subject to Florida’s Code of Ethics in Chapter, 112, part III.

Board Members serving in other public positions may also be subject to additional ethics requirements and should consult with general counsel of the public entity.
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

• Legislative members serving on the Task Force may participate in all Task Force activities but may ONLY vote on matters that are advisory. (Section 288.987(3)(d), Florida Statutes).

• Executive Director of DEO, or his or her designee, serves as the ex officio, nonvoting executive director of the Task Force. (Section 288.987(5), Florida Statutes).
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 the 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.

• Staffing and administrative expenses of Task Force may not exceed $250,000, including travel and per diem costs incurred by Task Force members not otherwise eligible for state reimbursement.
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;
• 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.
Florida Defense
Task Force
Dave Dahl
Navy Region Southeast
March 19, 2020
From Tennessee to Texas to Guantanamo Bay

NAS Corpus Christi, Texas  
NAS JRB Fort Worth, Texas  
NS Guantnamo Bay, Cuba  
NCBC Gulfport, Mississippi  
NAS Jacksonville, Florida  
NAS Key West, Florida  
NSB Kings Bay, Georgia  
NAS Kingsville, Texas  
NSF Beaufort, South Carolina  
NS Mayport, Florida  
NSA Meridian, Mississippi  
NSA Mid-South, Tennessee  
NAS JRB New Orleans, Louisiana  
NSA Orlando, Florida  
NSA Panama City, Florida  
NAS Pensacola, Florida  
NAS Whiting Field, Florida  
*NOTU, Cape Canaveral, Florida  
*NSA Charleston, South Carolina
Operations and Training

- SH-60 Seahawk
- P-8 Poseidon
- Seabees
- Schoolhouses
- SSBN Submarines
- Littoral Combat Ship
- Navy divers
- Pilot training
- Simulation Technology
Stewardship

Balancing mission with environmental stewardship

• The Navy operates in nearly every natural environment on earth
• Exemplary stewardship of the environment
• Navy Region Southeast widely recognized, awarded

Investing smartly, doing it right

• 200+ Environmental experts on Region and Installation staffs
• Invest $25 million each year in environmental labor and permitting
• Work closely with Environmental and other agency partners

Sailor-Stewards

• Volunteers in community clean-ups
• Earth Day events
• Adopt a Highway
Partnerships

- **Our Partners**
  - Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Regions 4, 6, & 7
  - National Marine Fisheries
  - U.S. Fish and Wildlife
  - Army Corps of Engineers
  - State environmental protection departments/agencies
  - Southeast Partnership for Planning and Sustainability
  - Gulf of Mexico Program and Gulf of Mexico Alliance
  - Southeast Implementation Team (Protecting North Atlantic Right Whale).
  - Lower Saint Johns River Total Maximum Daily Loads Executive Steering Committee
The Southeast Navy Family

By the numbers:

- Active duty military: 64,105
- Government Civilians: 42,198
- Family members: 497,075
- Retirees: 437,000
- Reservists: 10,769

Sources: CNO 5x8, DEERS

In some of our communities, the Navy family makes up about 20% of the population.
Economic Impact in the Southeast

**Homeported operating units**
- Ships: 33
- Submarines: 8
- Fixed wing aviation squadrons: 44
- Helicopter squadrons: 14
- Aircraft: 993

**Annual Payroll**
- Active Duty: $4 B
- Reservists: $305 M
- Retired military: $5 B
- Civilians: $3 B

**Procurement of goods and services**
- $3 B annually
Thank you!
"I'm excited to announce my administration’s newest veteran-focused initiative: the “Salute Our Soldiers” Military Housing Loan Program for veterans and active duty military personnel throughout the state," said Governor DeSantis. “To start, Florida Housing will set aside funds to assist over 1,000 veterans and active duty military members by making the homebuying process easier and more affordable. More veterans calling Florida home is a great thing for all involved and we look forward to the positive impacts this program will have on the lives of our veterans and the communities in which they live."—Governor Ron DeSantis 2/19/2020
What is Florida Housing?

- The Florida Housing Finance Corporation is the State Housing Finance Agency (HFA).
- Established in 1980 to administer the state’s single and multi family affordable housing programs.
Our Mission Statement:

To ensure that all eligible Floridians obtain safe, decent, affordable housing that might otherwise be unavailable to them.
How does the Homebuyer Loan Program get its funding?

- By selling mortgage revenue bonds to investors (Govt. & Conventional Loan Programs-Bond Loans).
- By selling (TBA) loans into the secondary market (Conventional Loan Program)

What Are Mortgage Revenue Bonds?

- Mortgage Revenue Bond Programs were created by Congress to help finance affordable housing.
- Bond Programs DO NOT Use public funds.
- Bonds are sold to private investors that accept a lower rate of return because interest is exempt from federal taxes.
“Bond” is a Lender Originated **FIRST MORTGAGE PRODUCT** funded through the sale of mortgage revenue bonds. This has been the primary funding source for our government loans for years.

It has nothing to do with Down Payment Assistance (DPA).

**Bond** = a first mortgage program.

The Program is not a stand-alone DPA program. Buyers must participate in the first mortgage program in order to receive down payment assistance.

All applicants and non-borrowing spouse must be first time homebuyer eligible unless meets exception. **BOND**
Homebuyer Loan Program

The Homebuyer Loan Program is a LENDER ORIGINATED first mortgage program.

FL Housing does not lend directly to homebuyers. Loans are originated through local lenders throughout the state. Each loan officer is trained and approved to participate in the program.
VA Mortgage Loans

The VA helps Service members, Veterans, and eligible surviving spouses become homeowners. As part of the VA’s mission, they provide a home loan guaranty benefit and other housing-related programs to help eligible veterans and military personnel buy, build, repair, retain, or adapt a home for their personal occupancy.

An Opportunity for All of Us to Serve Them
Florida Veteran Statistics

Florida Veteran Population Density varies from 2.15% of the population to as high as 17.54% of the population in certain counties.
Florida Veteran Statistics

(https://www.va.gov/vetdata/docs/SpecialReports/State_Summaries_Florida.pdf)

- **Florida Veteran Population** consists of 1,525,400 Veterans

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- **Florida Veteran Population** average income is between $50,000-$99,900
MBA-National

VA Mortgage Statistics

% of Applications are VA Mortgages
6 Month Avg: 12.463%

Background

Congress enacted the Veterans Exception that permanently exempts qualified veterans from the Internal Revenue Code (IRS) 143 requirement of being a First Time Homebuyer when utilizing loan programs that rely on mortgage revenue bond financing as its funding source.

Based on Program loan data, our lenders have originated 1,771 loans to borrowers with Military Occupations since 2003. Of that number 1,264 are identified as Veterans. The 1,771 loans equate to only 3% of the over 65,000 Program loans originated during this time period. YTD 2019 we have originated 69 Military Heroes loans with 45 being classified as Veterans.
Exceptions to the First Time Homebuyer Requirement

Veterans Exception

- Borrowers satisfying the Veterans Exception are exempt from the First Time Homebuyer Requirement (Homebuyer Education is still required).

Veteran’s Exception Defined:

- For the purposes of the First Time Homebuyer Program, a “veteran” is defined as "a person who served in the active military, naval, or air service, and who was discharged or released there from under conditions other than dishonorable."

- Veterans have a permanent exemption to the first-time homebuyer requirement.

- Spouse of qualified veteran is also exempt.
Obstacles & Goals

Program Obstacles: Fees, High Interest Rates, Restrictive Income and Purchase Price Limits because of IRS regulations on Bond loans (as provided by our Lender Advisory Board Members and other high producing Loan Officers).

Goals: To assist both Veterans and active duty military personnel throughout the state to obtain affordable safe housing and stimulate more VA Program Loan originations.
Fee Reductions for Our Soldiers

- Fee reductions will allow our Soldiers to have more funds available for down payment and closing costs.
- No 1% origination fee; this reduces loan costs and allows the borrower to use more of the down payment assistance if needed;
- U.S. Bank has agreed to cut the $400 Funding Fee by 50%. The Funding Fee will be $200 for the S.O.S. loans ONLY;
- Additionally, eHousing is reducing the Compliance Review Fee from $225 to $125 for the S.O.S. loans ONLY;
- Reminder that there are no documentary stamp taxes or intangible taxes on the notes and mortgages.
Salute Our Soldiers Program

Fee Reductions for Our Soldiers
Some Lenders, have reduced or eliminated their origination fees and/or offered other concessions to contribute to the reduction in costs to our active military service members and veterans.

1) Academy Mortgage Corp.-- Will waive our VA lender fees a $1350.00 savings
2) Iberiabank—no lender fees for Program VA Loans (generally ranges from $1000-$1400 per loan).
3) Land Home Financial Services-- no lender fees for Program VA Loans.
4) Guaranteed Rate-- no lender fees for Program VA Loans.
5) Movement Mortgage-- no lender fees for Program VA Loans.
6) loanDepot--$500 towards closing costs for VA Loans.
7) Summit Mortgage Corporation—waiving lender fees and offering $400 lender credit.
Salute Our Soldiers Program

“Salute Our Soldiers” Replaces “Military Heroes”

Lower interest rates on our VA, FHA, USDA-RD, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac first mortgage programs. Offered through the TBA (the bond alternative) program. Credit income/1003 income only is considered. Reduced doc product.

Down Payment Assistance

- **Florida Assist**- 2nd mortgage loan-$7,500 at 0% interest with no payments but due upon sale or refinance, payoff of first, transfer of deed or if homeowner no longer occupies property as primary;
- **Florida HLP**-$10,000 at 3% interest with a term of 15 years. Any remaining balance due upon sale of the home or refinance payoff of first, transfer of deed or if homeowner no longer occupies property as primary;
- **PLUS**- forgivable second mortgage loan-choice of 3%, 4% or 5% of the purchase price is forgiven at 20% per year over 5 years. Active duty military members who receive official orders to relocate will have any remaining balance forgiven upon sale of the home.

Veterans are exempt from the first-time homebuyer requirement. Active military members cannot have owned a primary residence in the last three years. Homebuyer Education (HBE) is still required.
Down Payment Assistance By Program
(updates published to www.ehousingplus.com under Income Tab as Income Diagram)

Florida Housing Finance Corporation
Down Payment Assistance (DPA) & Mortgage Credit Certificate (MCC)
By First Mortgage Loan Programs

- **Bond-MCC Not Allowed**
  - Florida First, Florida Military Heroes, Florida HFA Preferred for Bond
  - DPA-The Florida Assist (FL Assist)
    - Up to $7,500 at 0% interest
    - Deferred 2nd Mortgage
  - DPA-Florida Homeownership Loan Program (FL HLP)
    - $10,000 @ 3% for 15-Yr = $69.06 pmt

- **TBA "The Bond Alternative" - MCC Allowed**
  - HFA Preferred for TBA, HFA Advantage for TBA
  - FNMA Preferred PLUS for TBA or FHLMC Advantage PLUS for TBA
  - DPA-PLUS
    - 3%/4%/5% of Sales Price as a forgivable (over 5 years) 2nd mortgage

- **Salute Our Soldier-MCC Allowed**
  - HFA Preferred for TBA, HFA Advantage for TBA, HFA Preferred PLUS, HFA Advantage PLUS
  - DPA-The Florida Assist (FL Assist)
    - $7,500 @ 0% interest
    - Deferred 2nd Mtg adjusted for HOUSEHOLD SIZE-see program guide for limits
  - DPA-Plus
    - 3%/4%/5% of Sales Price as a forgivable (over 5 years) 2nd mortgage
  - DPA-Florida Homeownership Loan Program (FL HLP)
    - $10,000 @ 3% for 15-Yr = $69.06 pmt

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- Our down payment assistance (DPA) can only be used with FL Housing's First Mortgage products.
- This NOT a STAND ALONE DPA
- Only one Florida Housing DPA product can be utilized with the First Mortgage product.
- Other DPA Resources can be layered with FL Housing Funds.
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THE FLORIDA NATIONAL GUARD
DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

Florida Defense Support Task Force (FDSTF)
Grant Application Presentation
May 21, 2020

Colonel (Ret) Dwayne Jarriel, Construction and Facility Management Officer, Florida National Guard
The Florida Army National Guard (FLARNG) is requesting a grant from the Florida Defense Support Task Force for FY 2020-2021.

The proposed project serves both the mission and goals of the FDSTF by protecting against encroachment at Homestead Air Reserve Base (HARB), in Miami-Dade County, Florida.

Specifically, the requested grant funds will be utilized by the FLARNG to establish a fence line and subsequently construct a security fence along the perimeter of a 70-acre tract of land contiguous to the base on the north side of the flight line and runway. The approximate length of the new fence will be 4,316 feet.

The security fence is necessary for encroachment management on the north side of the base. The 70-acre tract to be fenced was formerly part of the HARB installation, but was conveyed to Miami-Dade County in 2004 as a result of the Base Realignment and Closure Act of 1993. As the County had yet to develop the tract, the FLARNG is acquiring it from the County for military purposes in perpetuity.

The project shall include any Anti-Terrorism/Force Protection measures, gates, utility service connections, lightning protection, alarm systems, mechanical systems, electronic access control keypads, curbs, bollards, storm drainage, and landscape relocation and installation as required.

Once the security fence is constructed, it will provide a buffer for HARB and FLARNG from future incompatible encroachment from the north side of the base.

Also, the action will ensure access to the flight line and runway from the north, while being controlled by a military agency that is already operating at HARB (i.e. FLARNG).

The proposed project is critical to encroachment management for HARB because a steel mill is proposed on property located due north of the 70-acre tract, on other property currently owned by Miami-Dade County.
Homestead Land Acquisition Timeline

- 21MAR19 – 50th RSG personnel participated in an expansion working group providing FLARNG interest in acquiring land
- 07AUG19 – 50th RSG and CFMO meet with working group to provide draft master plan for land, if acquired.
- 14NOV19 – FLARNG and HARB representatives discuss land acquisition and master plan in order to finalize the plan to Miami-Dade.
- 15FEB20 – FLARNG submitted grant application in order to support fencing and clearing land in Homestead
- 21FEB20 – Met with Commissioner Moss (Miami-Dade) to discuss plan and benefits from the acquisition
- 18MAR20 – Meeting between TAG-FL, HARB Commander and Mayor Jimenez cancelled due to COVID-19
- 21MAY20 – Briefing of grant application to FDSTF
Homestead Airforce Reserve Base (HARB)
Proposed Steel Mill Overlay

Current proposal submitted by Steel Mill

General area under consideration by DMA

Existing FLARNG RC Location
Proposed Acquisition
# Homestead Air Reserve Base (HARB) Estimated Fencing Costs

## FLARNG Unilateral Fence Construction

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**Total Project Cost**: $358,784.00

## Joint Fence Project

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**Total**: $84,672.00 | $18,600.00 | $9,200.00 | $246,312.00 | $358,784.00
Encroachment Protection/Compatible Land Use for NS Mayport, NAS Jacksonville and OLF Whitehouse

July 1, 2020-June 30, 2022

CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERAN DEPARTMENT
“Our city has a strong relationship with the military, particularly the U.S. Navy. That relationship extends beyond jobs and economic impacts. These service members are a vital part of our community.”

- MAYOR LENNY CURRY
AMENDED AND RESTATE
MULTI-YEAR ENCROACHMENT PROTECTION AGREEMENT

INTRODUCTION:

This Amended and Restated Multi-Year Encroachment Protection Agreement Between the United States of America and The Preservation Law Group, Inc., and the City of Jacksonville, Florida ("Agreement") is effective as of the date of the last signature below (the "Effective Date") and is entered into by and among the United States of America, acting by and through The Department of the Navy ("DOD"), the Preservation Law Group, Inc., a Florida corporation ("PLG") whose principal organizational purpose is to assist in the preservation of military installations and civilian activities by preventing encroaching incompatible land uses, and the City of Jacksonville, Florida, a consolidated political subdivision and municipal corporation existing under the laws of the State of Florida ("City"), each a "Party" and collectively, the "Parties."

The Parties have entered into this Agreement to establish the terms and conditions applicable to the contribution of Federal funds for acquisition of long-term interest in parcels of land in the vicinity of Naval Air Station Jacksonville ("NAS Jacksonville"), Ochlockhee Field, Whitehouse ("OLF Whitehouse"), and Naval Station Mayport ("NSM Mayport"), (each an "Installation" and collectively, the "Installations") in accordance with the provisions of 10 U.S.C. § 2664a as described in more detail below. This Agreement is amended and restated to add the City of Jacksonville, Florida as a Party and to delete The Preservation Law Group Inc. as a Party. The Parties hereby affirm the following Recitals, which Recitals are incorporated into the Agreement by reference.

RECATS:

A. WHEREAS, Navy and PLG entered into the multi-year Encroachment Protection Agreement Between the United States of America and The Preservation Law Group, Inc. dated 28 September 2012 (the "Original Agreement") to prevent encroachment, limit incompatible development, and promote conservation of ecologically and agriculturally significant lands in the vicinity of the Installations; all as more particularly described in the Original Agreement as amended and restated herein;

B. WHEREAS, Navy and PLG previously amended the Original Agreement pursuant to that certain Amendment No. 1 effective as of 28 September 2012 that obligated an additional $640,000.00 of Navy funds (the "Previous Amendment") (herein, all references to the Original Agreement means the Original Agreement as amended by the Previous Amendment);

C. WHEREAS, pursuant to this Agreement, Navy and PLG desire to amend and restate the Original Agreement by, among other things, adding City as an additional Party so that City may participate in transactions contemplated in the Original Agreement, as amended and restated by this Agreement,

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PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT
FOR RESTRICTIVE EASEMENT

THIS PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT FOR RESTRICTIVE EASEMENT (the "Agreement") is made and entered into the 2nd day of April, 2020 (the "Effective Date") by and between the CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, a consolidated municipal and county political subdivision of the State of Florida, having an address at 601 Military and Veterans Affairs Department, Office of General Counsel, 217 West David Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32202 (the "Purchaser"), and TIMQUANA COUNTRY CLUB, a Florida Not For Profit Corporation, having an address at 4088 Timquana Road, Jacksonville, Florida 32210 (the "Sellers").

A. Seller is the owner of a parcel of land located in Duval County, Florida, more particularly described in Exhibit A (the "Property") consisting of approximately 100 acres, more or less, and being a portion of Tax Parcel Number 971690-1000.

B. Purchaser, pursuant to that certain Multi-Year Encroachment Protection Agreement effective July 19, 2009, as amended by Jacksonville Ordinances 2009-60-E, as amended from time to time, and that certain Amended and Restated Multi-Year Encroachment Protection Agreement dated May 3, 2017, as amended by Jacksonville Ordinance 2017-153-E, collectively, the "Encroachment Agreement," between Purchaser and United States of America, Department of the Navy (the "Department of the Navy" or "Navy"), in compliance with the authority in Jacksonville Ordinance 2012-409-4 for the Mayport and Camp Blanding Marine Security to require and effect on behalf of Purchaser these documents necessary or appropriate to effective future acquisition by Purchaser and Navy of properties designated as part of the Military Noise Zone in the City of Jacksonville Comprehensive Plan within which the Property Monsanto desires to purchase a restrictive easement interest over the Property from Seller subject to the terms and conditions in this Agreement.

C. Pursuant to the Encroachment Agreement, the Department of the Navy will contribute funds to Purchaser for Purchaser's acquisition of a restrictive easement from Seller.

D. The Seller has also agreed to grant Purchaser an option to purchase additional restrictive easements over other lands owned by Seller, as set forth in this Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereby agree to the terms and conditions of this Agreement:

1. DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION. Seller agrees to grant to Purchaser, and Purchaser agrees to purchase from Seller, in accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions contained in this Agreement, a restrictive easement over the Property (the "Easement").

2. PURCHASE PRICE. In consideration of Seller's conveyance of the Easement, Purchaser shall pay Seller $5,000.00 (the "Purchase Price") in accordance with the
US Space Command HQ Basing

16 July 2020

Jim Kuzma, SVP and General Manager, Space Florida
“I AM CONVINCED THAT IN THE FUTURE, IF WE ARE GOING TO GET INTO A CONFLICT ... WE ARE GOING TO HAVE TO FIGHT AND WIN FOR SPACE SUPERIORITY.”

GENERAL JOHN W. RAYMOND
CHIEF OF SPACE OPERATIONS, U.S. SPACE FORCE & COMMANDER, U.S. SPACE COMMAND
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Air Force Schedule

- 30 June 2020 - Governor endorsed nominations due
- July 2020 – Inform qualified nominees
- **July 2020 - Release follow-on evaluation criteria information**
- July – October 2020 - Engage nominees, release questionnaires, score information
- **November 2020 - Announce Candidate locations**
- November - December 2020 - Candidate Location Site Visits
**Evaluation Criteria – Scored on a weighted 100-Point Scale**

**Mission Related (40 points)**
- Available qualified workforce, proximity to mutual supporting space entities, providing emergency & incident response, enabling mobility

**Infrastructure Capacity (30 points)**
- Requirements include facility and parking space, comms bandwidth & redundancy, special access comms, anti-terrorism, AT/FP and security requirements, nearest installation base ops support

**Community Support (15 points)**
- Support to military families as measured by the quality of schools, professional licensure portability, cost of living, housing affordability & access to military veteran support programs

**Cost to Air Force (15 points)**
- One-time infrastructure & transportation costs, area construction cost factor, basic housing allowance rate, and area locality pay
Additional Guidance: USAF Congressional Liaison

- **Infrastructure to do the job will be most challenging part** - self nominating will be easiest, want easy entry for interested applicants.

- Questionnaires will be sent later in the process but for now, just filling out the main requirements is what is wanted. *Infrastructure needs to support and enable the mission and will be most important. Don’t send additional information that isn’t in the forms they request.*

- Reuse of existing facilities and infrastructure is highly valued. Looking to minimize investment.

- Will your community be able to help Air Force minimize cost?
1,400 personnel and resources and infrastructure for that population: housing, amenities, schools needed to support. Large portion will be civilian. About 600 will be military personnel. The quality of life considerations are what the Secretary of the Air Force just announced w/regard to strategic basing decisions: https://www.jbsa.mil/News/News/Article/2094946/department-of-the-air-force-to-consider-military-family-support-measures-in-fut/

- July 2020 will follow up with questionnaires.
- July-October evaluation phase
- Final candidates will be ANNOUNCED in November 2020, sometime after the election
- Nov-Dec 2020 Site Visits
- No formal announcement until down select
Peterson will be the provisional location for HQ for 5-6 years as we go through this process.

Jan preferred and reasonable alternatives will be announced, meaning 99.99% certain of location but then National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) evaluations will commence.

Organizational email question box can take 76-92 hours to respond
US Space Force Subordinate Commands
• Space Operations Command – Colorado Springs
• Space Systems Command – Los Angeles
• Space Training and Readiness Command -- TBD

Florida Communities may have an opportunity to position for this future opportunity.
331.3011  **Legislative findings and intent.**—(3)  It is the intent of the Legislature that aerospace activities be highly visible and well-coordinated within this state. To that end, it is the intent of the Legislature that Space Florida will be the single point of contact for state aerospace-related activities with federal agencies, the military, state agencies, businesses, and the private sector.

FS 331.302  **Space Florida; creation; purpose.**—

(1)  There is established, formed, and created Space Florida, which is created as an independent special district, a body politic and corporate, and a subdivision of the state, to foster the growth and development of a sustainable and world-leading aerospace industry in this state. Space Florida shall promote aerospace business development by facilitating business financing, spaceport operations, research and development, workforce development, and innovative education programs. Space Florida has all the powers, rights, privileges, and authority as provided under the laws of this state.
Example: Northrup Grumman Melbourne Complex

3000+ Employees

~80-120 Acres

Cost/Sq ft:

Offices: $400-600

SCIF: $500-600
GTOPS Corporation

- Supporting Space Florida with Federal Contract Research and SEP Outreach
- Mr. Gregg Billman, CEO/President
gregorybillman@gtopscorp.com
- Mr. Kevin Ryan, VP Business Development
kevinryan@gtopscorp.com

Providing Federal Contracting Information

- Federal Contract References/Profiles (Detail)Aggregate
- Federal Contracting Information (General)
Space Command's mission: "To conduct operations in, from, and through space to deter conflict, and if necessary, defeat aggression, deliver space combat power for the Joint/Combined force, and defend U.S. vital interests with allies and partners."

Thank You
Proposed Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape

Eglin Air Force Base, as the designated anchor military installation in northwestern Florida, is proposing to nominate the western portion of the Florida panhandle for federal designation as the Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape. The goal of this proposal is to create an innovative partnership for collaboration and coordination among private landowners, conservationists, military installations, government agencies and others. This landscape-scale partnership could help ensure sustainability of agriculture and forestry, maintain our national defense capabilities and conserve Northwest Florida’s natural resources. A Sentinel Landscape designation would provide its partners with greater access to funding and assistance from federal, state and local government and private sector programs to better address the complex and often conflicting demands of population growth, economic development, rural vitality, military readiness, and natural resource protection in Northwest Florida.

SUPPORTING MILITARY READINESS

Northwest Florida has a long legacy of supporting the military and is home to several of the nation’s most important installations and ranges including: Eglin Air Force Base (AFB), Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola, NAS Whiting Field, Tyndall AFB, USAF’s Hurlburt Field, USN’s Saufley Field, USN’s Corry Station, and Naval Support Activity (NSA) Panama City.

Eglin AFB supports development, acquisition, testing, procurement, and deployment of all air-delivered weapons in the USAF’s arsenal plus provides the largest land-based testing range east of the Rocky Mountains. Additional users of the Eglin Test and Training Complex are the 7th Special Forces Group (Airborne), the Air Force Special Operations Command at Hurlburt Field and the 6th Ranger Training Battalion at Camp Rudder. Tyndall AFB provides advanced training for pilots, air traffic and weapon controllers. NAS Pensacola provides aviation flight and maintenance training for Navy, Marines, Air Force and Coast Guard. NAS Whiting Field serves multiple services as the primary fixed wing training and advanced helicopter pilot training base. Hurlburt Field supports global special operations missions, and NSA Panama City provides research, development, testing and engineering for amphibious warfare, diving, maritime special operations, mine
warfare, and other Naval missions in coastal areas. Saufley Field supports naval education, and Corry Station supports cyber warfare and intelligence training. Especially critical to the missions of the Northwest Florida installations is maintaining flight paths between Tyndall and Eglin Air Force bases and access to the military testing and training ranges in the eastern Gulf of Mexico which are the Department of Defense’s largest over-water test and training area in the continental United States.

The military sector provides the second largest economic impact in Florida trailing only tourism generating nearly $44 billion in direct defense spending with $85 billion total impact and supports nearly 915,000 jobs. As a result, a diverse set of partners at the federal, state, and local levels are joining together to form the Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape Partnership. In 2018, the economic contribution of the military represented 33.4% of the total economy of Northwest Florida. 72.2% of Okaloosa County’s gross domestic product (GDP) is attributable to National Defense, as is 43.6% of Escambia County’s GDP, 31.3% of Santa Rosa County’s GDP, 32.8% of Bay County’s GDP and 14.1% of Walton County’s GDP (Source: The Florida Defense Support Task Force’s “Florida Defense Industry Economic Impact Analysis Report 2020 Update” Page 57. Table 9 – Northwest Region: Defense Impacts by County, 2018).

BENEFITING WORKING LANDS

This collaborative effort seeks to sustain working farms and forests and conserve habitat through providing incentives to landowners to voluntarily promote land uses that help ensure Department of Defense (DoD) installations and ranges in Northwest Florida can continue to host a diverse and growing set of military missions compatible with the region’s military missions. To keep these private lands working, the Air Force and Navy, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Natural Resources Conservation Service are working with local, state, and private conservation partners to create a network of priority lands that will conserve watersheds, wildlife habitat, agricultural lands, community recreation opportunities, and the missions of Northwest Florida’s military installations.

Timber and agricultural lands are essential connectors between public and private conservation lands, military installations and ranges and our communities in Northwest Florida. Key to maintaining these landscape connections are promoting the stewardship of renewable pine forests and enhancing the vitality of agriculture which support rural jobs and the local economies throughout the region. Rapid population growth and tourist-oriented development along the Gulf of Mexico coast have led to unprecedented landscape conversion that threatens the missions of our region’s military installations and the long-term sustainability of nearby forestry and agricultural operations.

To help ensure forests and agriculture continue to remain vibrant and support rural economies, the partnership for the Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape is bringing together conservation groups, agencies, and willing landowners to leverage the conservation funding programs of federal and state agencies and private organizations. Through voluntary programs and incentives, eligible landowners and communities who want to continue to be stewards of their working lands may receive financial assistance to do so while also protecting the mission of our military installations. These programs include Forest Legacy Program, Healthy Forest Reserve Program, Agricultural Conservation Easement Program, Regional Conservation Partnership Program, the Readiness and Environmental
Protection Integration (REPI) Program and Florida’s Rural and Family Lands Program. In turn, these partnerships will help buffer our Air Force and Navy bases from development and land use changes, protect flight paths and maintain the viability of agricultural and forestry production in the region.

For example, through FY2019 the REPI Program reported to Congress that DoD and partners with other federal agencies and the State of Florida have invested $178.7 million to protect and conserve compatible land uses on 144 parcels and 72,179 acres near military installations throughout the state, including $49.2 million to conserve 69 parcels and 30,298 acres in Northwest Florida. The Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape will build on these past accomplishments and help to ensure the long-term sustainability of Northwest Florida’s military installations by leveraging partner priorities and funding with DoD and State of Florida initiatives to promote compatible land use.

**CONSERVATION OPPORTUNITIES**

The region’s exceptional biodiversity supports many threatened, endangered, and at-risk species which can benefit from innovative stewardship practices on the private lands surrounding and connecting our military installations. The region’s longleaf pine forests and the riverine ecosystems provide important habitat for many sensitive species including the Red cockaded woodpecker, Gopher tortoise and Eastern indigo snake. Northwest Florida is home to some of the nation’s largest remaining stands of longleaf pine with Eglin AFB having the largest contiguous old growth longleaf pine forest in existence plus the largest intact sandhill ecosystem in the Southeast. The region has extensive industrial pine forests many of which are being restored to longleaf pine as part of America’s Longleaf Restoration Initiative.

The region’s 2.6 million acres of public and private conservation lands provide important habitat for these protected species and many others. These areas include: Eglin AFB and NAS Whiting Field, Blackwater, Pine Log and Tate’s Hell state forests, Nokuse Plantation, Econfina Water Management Area, Apalachicola National Forest, and the protected corridors of the Perdido, Escambia, Blackwater, Yellow, Choctawhatchee, Econfina Creek and Chipola and Apalachicola Rivers. The Apalachicola River with its floodplain and adjacent ravines is one of North America’s most biologically diverse areas and are home to more than 30 federally threatened or endangered animal species. It has the highest species diversity of reptiles (over 80 species) and amphibians (over 40 species) found north of Mexico. It also provides habitat for more than 280 species of birds, over 130 species of fish, over 52 species of mammals, more than 1,300 plant species including over 70 different species of trees.

Restoring habitats and maintaining connections between public and private conservation lands will help reduce the risk of species protections affecting military operations and using private lands elsewhere in the region. For example, successful stewardship of Eglin AFB, Apalachicola National Forest and the Red Hills ensures three of the largest remaining populations of the endangered-cockaded woodpecker thrive. Nokuse Plantation and Eglin AFB are working to restore gopher tortoise populations which could help preclude the listing of gopher tortoises and other species. The USAF has also partnered with the US Fish and Wildlife Service to restore habitat for the endangered Okaloosa darter whose 95% of its entire range is found on Eglin AFB. This partnership may allow the Okaloosa darter to be removed from the Endangered Species list.
LOOKING FORWARD

Partnerships are being built around a shared vision for the Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape to be a “win-win-win” for national security, working lands, and conservation. Moving forward, partners for the Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape will work to secure and use this federal designation to access the incentive programs of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Department of Defense, Department of the Interior, the Florida departments of Economic Opportunity and Agriculture and Consumer Services and those of private organizations to promote forestry and agricultural production, natural resource conservation and to avoid encroachment of incompatible land uses to maintain the essential mission-oriented military training and testing of Northwest Florida’s military installations.

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Photo by Defenders of Wildlife
A story map providing a narrative description and maps highlighting the features of the proposed Northwest Florida Sentinel Landscape may be viewed at: [https://arcg.is/HvG9D](https://arcg.is/HvG9D). An interactive online map overlaying many data layers showing the opportunities and constraints for conservation of natural and working landscapes and to protect the missions of the region’s five military installations may be viewed at: [https://arcg.is/1zr1WP](https://arcg.is/1zr1WP).