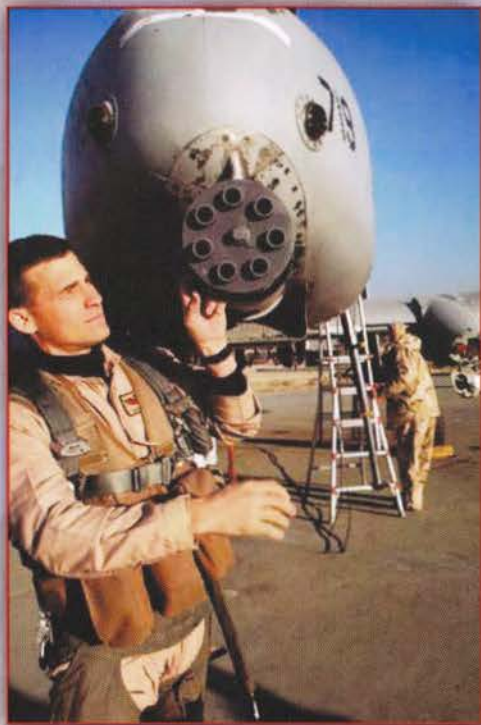


Maryland Military Department



2003 Annual Report

Our Vision

The Maryland Military Department is tasked at both the federal level by the President of the United States and at the state level by the Governor to defend our country and state. In order to meet all of the demands encompassed within that mission we must build and maintain a force structure that makes us relevant and ready for any scenario. We are engaging at the federal level to insure that the Maryland National Guard is equipped and trained equal to our active duty component partner. At the state level we are working very closely with the Maryland Emergency Management Agency to insure that we are prepared to do our part of the public safety team concept. As the threat changes we will constantly review our preparedness posture so that we can always claim; RELEVANT and READY.



Federal Mission Statement

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



State Mission Statement

Provide highly trained personnel, equipment, and facilities capable of protecting life and property and preserving peace, order, and public safety and supporting the state of Maryland in a comprehensive, risk-based emergency management program of mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery.

Message From The Adjutant General

January 15, 2004

The Honorable Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor, State of Maryland
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Governor Ehrlich:

I am pleased to submit our fiscal year 2003 annual report for the Maryland Military Department, which incorporates the Maryland Army National Guard, Maryland Air National Guard, Maryland Emergency Management Agency and Maryland Defense Force.

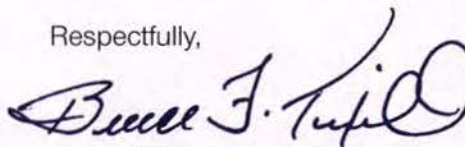
In keeping with a 369 year-old tradition, Maryland's citizen-soldiers and airmen have again over the year, successfully responded to our nation and state's needs. We have 1,430 soldiers and airmen deployed in support of Operation Noble Eagle, Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom as of the date of this letter. We have served at 24 locations around the world including Iraq, Afghanistan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Kosovo, Estonia, Ukraine, Kuwait, Oman, Albania, Pakistan and Uzbekistan. We mobilized and deployed over 3,900 citizen-soldiers and airmen since September 11, 2001. MEMA has provided coordination of all the state resources, by means of planning and mitigation through two major state emergencies. The President's Day Snowstorm and Hurricane Isabel displayed how well MEMA serves the people of our State.

As this report summarizes, the Maryland Military Department continues to provide employment and educational opportunities to Marylanders, while remaining ready to serve our fellow citizens abroad and at home. We feel proud of our contribution to the state's economic development posture.

The Maryland Military Department remains a key player in the economic viability of Maryland, as our fiscal impact totaled \$222.3 million. The ratio of federal dollars spent in Maryland to state dollars invested is strong at nearly 13 to 1 for the Maryland Military Department.

Governor, we remain ready to serve and continue our history of responding to the needs of our nation and state.

Respectfully,



Bruce F. Tuxill
Major General, MDANG
The Adjutant General

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The Maryland National Guard's State Chaplain Col. William Sean Lee provides words of inspiration to members of the 115th Military Police Battalion in Parkville before they depart for Operation Iraqi Freedom.



Maryland Army National Guard Special Forces soldiers pose with Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld, while on federal active duty in the Middle East.



"Hedz" signals to his ground crew that he's ready for takeoff. When the A-10 is airborne over Afghanistan, enemy forces are less likely to attack friendly forces.



An A-10 takes off from Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan, for another sortie in support of the war on terrorism. The high-pitch whine of its engines overhead means firepower and protection to coalition forces on the ground.



Soldiers of the 290th Military Police Company are helping children in an orphanage in the Kabul district of Afghanistan by delivering needed clothes and blankets to the children as well as donated toys from family members and businesses from home.

History of the Maryland Military Department 1634-2003



The Maryland Military Department has a proud and storied history. Beginning in 1634 with the Saint Marie's City Militia and continuing in December 1774 with the Baltimore Independent Cadets formed under the leadership of merchant Mordecai Gist, Maryland citizen-soldiers have served with distinction while deployed in defense of our nation and state.

In the Revolutionary War it was "The Maryland 400" who launched several bayonet charges against a superior British force during the Battle of Long Island, August 27, 1776, that allowed for the safe retreat of General Washington's army. A historian wrote, "They have bought in blood that hour more precious to American liberty than any other hour in its history."



During the War of 1812, it was the Maryland militia at the Battle of North Point and the siege of Fort McHenry that turned back the invading British forces. Francis Scott Key was inspired

by the brave resolve and undaunted courage of our forces during the attempted British invasion to write the *Star Spangled Banner*.

Maryland, as the nation, found itself divided during the Civil War. Marylanders fought for both the Union and the Confederacy.

In 1898 found approximately 2,000 Maryland Guardsmen mobilized in support of our nation during the Spanish-American War. June 1918 Maryland Regiments combined into the 115th Infantry Regiment, as part of the 29th Division for action in France during WWI.

During World War II, Maryland citizen-soldiers landed on Omaha Beach, D-Day, June 6th, 1944 with the 29th Infantry Division. The 29th suffered severe losses in action until the war was over in 1945.



The Korean Conflict saw the 231st Transportation Truck Battalion deployed in Korea from January 1951 until February 1955.

In 1957 under the Militia Law, Article 65 established the Military Department for the purpose of maintaining a highly trained National Guard within the State of Maryland that can be called upon in times of emergency. The Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) was transferred to the Military Department from the Department of Safety and Correctional Service in 1989.

The Maryland National Guard deployed in 1990 to support Operation Desert Storm with Army and Air Guard assets playing key roles.

The Maryland Air National Guard has provided counter-drug support ('91), flown relief supplies to war-torn Somalia and Hurricane Andrew devastated Florida ('92), and provided air support in Bosnia ('93-'94) and Kuwait/Iraq ('95,'97,'99,'01). The Maryland Army National Guard has mobilized for peacekeeping in the Sinai ('95), in Bosnia as part of Stabilization Force 10 ('01-'02), and in ongoing deployments in response to the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks and in support of the War on Terrorism. The deployment locations have included the Pentagon, Iraq, Cuba, Afghanistan, and numerous sites for force protection and airport security throughout the United States.

Fulfilling its state mission the Maryland Military Department continue to respond in times of natural disaster and civil disturbance. The last decade has seen the Maryland National Guard deployed and MEMA has coordinated recovery efforts for the state during the blizzards of 1993 and 1996 and flooding in 1995 1996 and 1999. In 2003 the Guard deployed more than 1,100 citizen-soldiers to respond to the President's Day snowstorm and Hurricane Isabel.

The citizen-soldiers, airmen and civilians of the Maryland Military Department remain at their posts and on the flight line today continuing the proud tradition of the Minutemen ready to serve on a moment's notice.

Maryland Army National Guard

The Maryland Army National Guard has a proud history of service to the nation and community since 1634. We remain relevant and ready with the proper structure and have the resources to accomplish a broad spectrum of missions. Whether we are called to guard critical locations in Maryland or detainees in Iraq, we have proven to be capable and accessible. Our citizen-soldiers are trained and committed to preserving the timeless traditions and values of service to our nation and communities. Credit must be given to the employers and family members of our Army National Guard soldiers whose loyal support allows our soldiers to be successful in protecting and serving our communities.



Back from Iraq and home for the holidays, Sgt. Juan T. Bryant of Baltimore and member of the 115th Military Police Battalion looks at a welcome home sign made by family and friends at Aberdeen Proving Grounds.



Soldiers from the 1-115th Infantry Regiment use the night to conceal movement from building to building as they clear every room in the town of Chu Don in Operation 38 North Yankee at Fort Bragg.

Army Guard Missions

In February, the Maryland Army National Guard's 115th Military Police Battalion deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. This unit from Salisbury and Parkville deployed to the Pentagon by 11 a.m. on September 12, 2001 providing force protection and crime scene security. The 115th returned home on September 29, 2001 only to be remobilized on October 1, 2001, in support of Operation Noble Eagle. On October 13, 2002 they departed for Ft. Stewart, Ga. to provide force protection. In December of 2002 their mission changed to Operation Enduring Freedom and they were sent to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba to conduct inprocessing for al-Qaida and Taliban detainees and oversaw operation of Camp X-Ray until June 2002. Just seven months later in February 2003, they deployed to Southwest Asia in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. They were deployed in Baghdad and at the Baghdad airport managing the operation of the prison. This unit just returned home before Christmas but will remain on active duty until February 2004.

The 1229th Transportation Company is currently serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom by transporting needed supplies and equipment into Iraq from Kuwait. They deployed to Southwest Asia in early April of this year. They were recently extended for six additional months and will return in June 2004.

On March 15, 2003, we welcomed home the Maryland Army National Guard's 2-110th Field Artillery Battalion from a one-year activation in support of Operation Noble Eagle. They provided force protection at Fort Meade, Fort Belvoir, Fort Myer, and Fort McNair, which are active duty installations in the Military District of Washington.

The Maryland Army National Guard's Special Forces soldiers with the 20th Group from Glen Arm were deployed and served in Afghanistan and Korea.

Our Special Operation Detachment Joint Forces from Baltimore helped fight terrorism in the Middle East by working as a command and control element for Special Operations command during Operation Iraqi Freedom. In November they returned from overseas.

The Maryland Army National Guard's 1-175th Infantry Battalion from Baltimore is guarding Andrews Air Force Base and Warfield Air National Guard Base on federal orders. They were activated and mobilized in February 2003 and will return to normal drilling status in January 2004.

In May 2003, almost 400 citizen-soldiers from the Maryland Army National Guard's 121st Engineer Battalion from Ellicott City and selected soldiers of both the 729th Forward Support Battalion from Hagerstown and 1-115th Infantry Battalion from Silver Spring were called to federal active duty for one year. The units are supporting Operation Noble Eagle to provide security and force protection at Fort Detrick, Aberdeen Proving Ground and Adelphi, Md.



Maj. Michael R. M. Bennett, (left) Sgt. 1st Class Larry G. Smith, 1st Lt. Bryan E. Hughes, and Sgt. 1st Class Roger W. Smith of the 115th Light Anti-tank Battalion accept donated goods for the deployed soldiers of Operation Iraqi Freedom from students of Washington College.

Nearly 100 Military Policemen from the Maryland Army National Guard's 290th Military Police Company from Parkville were mobilized in July 2003, in support of Operation Enduring Freedom for service in Afghanistan. They are currently providing security on the main supply routes north of Kabul. They are helping to win the hearts and minds of the civilians while deployed by helping local orphans along with their Family Support Group by providing much needed clothing and toys.

The 29th Mobile Public Affairs Detachment deployed in November for a six-month rotation to Kosovo on a NATO peacekeeping mission along with 34 nations involved in KFOR.

On November 25, 2003, the Maryland Army National Guard worked with the U.S. Northern Command to provide engineering support to West Virginia to assist with local flooding. The 229th Main Support Battalion worked in the Richwood community to help clear debris and provide medical assistance.



In Afghanistan newly promoted Spc. Sarah E. O'Connor (center) looks to her commander Capt. Robert E. Estes as he pins on her new rank of Specialist along with 1st Lt. Shawn C. Keller. O'Connor is a student at Montgomery College when she is not fighting the war on terror.

Maryland Air National Guard



A pilot with the 104th Fighter Squadron gives his A-10 a final hands-on preflight check before taking off on a mission from Bagram, Afghanistan he and fellow pilots provide "top cover" and close air support to coalition forces conducting ground operations in the area.

The Maryland Air National Guard has enjoyed an outstanding relationship with the State of Maryland and Baltimore community since 1921. Whether supporting military, natural disaster relief, humanitarian operations, or local emergencies, we stand ready to perform State and Federal missions. The Maryland Air National Guard is composed of mostly citizen-airmen who continually demonstrate their dedication to community by maintaining full-time jobs in the public and private sectors. This commitment to duty is the basic foundation of our nation's security and the primary reason for the long list of accomplishments that we have experienced during our distinguished past. We are proud recipients of numerous United States Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards. The Maryland Air National Guard flies two of the most versatile aircraft in the US Air Force inventory, the A-10 Thunderbolt II jet fighter and C-130J Hercules tactical airlifter. We have flown more than 7,000 mishap free hours in performance of tasked missions during 2003.

Maryland Air National Guard helped to develop the Information Operations Squadron, which the Air Force is adopting.

The Maryland Air National Guard and the Maryland Civil Air Patrol are working together on a job shadowing program as well as the summer encampment. The Tri Wing Encampment includes Maryland, Delaware and the National Capitol held at Camp Fretterd in Reisterstown, Md., each summer.



Sandra L. Bahur gives her husband Master Sgt. Anthony J. Bahur a patriotic welcome at Warfield Air National Guard Base in Middle River, Md. after a six-month deployment fighting the war terror from Bagram, Afghanistan.



Members of the 175th Security Forces are deployed to Kuwait in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. (kneeling left to right) Tech Sgt. James White, Staff Sgt. Nicole Brown, Senior Airman Kinita Jones, Tech. Sgt. John Foote, Tech. Sgt. Scott Angstadt (standing) Staff Sgt. William Atlee, Tech Sgt. Steve Gray, Tech. Sgt. Mario Lopez, Master Sgt. Robert Paugh, Master Sgt. John Lackey, Senior Airman Mathew Wright, Senior Airmen Jeremy Aronowitz, Staff Sgt. David Wood.



Members of the 104th Fighter Squadron of the Maryland Air National Guard meet with local leaders to improve community relations in Bagram, Afghanistan.

Air Guard Missions

The Maryland Air National Guard's 104th Fighter Squadron and other portions of the 175th Wing deployed to Afghanistan as part of the normal rotation in the Aerospace Expeditionary Force in January. In February, the wing members were mobilized in-place and fought the war on terrorism by serving at Bagram Airbase in Afghanistan as part of the Combined Joint Task Force-180. The A-10 jet fighter pilots from the 104th Fighter Squadron flew more than 3,200 hours and 1,200 combat missions providing close-air support to Operation Enduring Freedom. In late June we welcomed home the 104th Fighter Squadron and the maintainers that kept the A-10 in the air providing close air support.

Maryland Air National Guard Maintainers deployed with the 104th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron completed the first-ever contingency phase operations in a combat zone under bare base conditions on their A-10 Thunderbolt II aircraft. Maintenance officials in the Air Force say this feat is unique because it is the first time such work has ever been done in a contingency setting since the A-10 joined the Air Force fleet in 1975.



A C130J heads for home at Warfield Air National Guard Base in Middle River as it flies over the Chesapeake Bay.

The 175th Wing successfully completed the United States Air Force's first combined Unit Compliance Inspection (UCI) conducted by teams from Air Combat Command (ACC) and Air Mobility Command (AMC) in July 2003. The UCI evaluated the 175th Wing in 494 critical compliance objective areas and two special interest items ensuring compliance with the law, Department of Defense guidance, Air Force and Air National Guard instructions with overall excellent results and zero negative findings requiring review by higher headquarters. Thirty-six airmen and three soldiers were recognized as superior performers and eight superior performance teams were also recognized. The Unit Task Qualification Training (TQT) Course was singled out as the best practice throughout the ACC community and the 175th Wing's Security Forces Squadron's (SFS) security clearance tracking database was highlighted as an outstanding program.

Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA)

The mission of the Maryland Emergency Management Agency is to reduce the loss of life and property and protect our institutions from all hazards by leading and supporting the State of Maryland in a comprehensive, risk-based emergency management program of mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery.

Strategic Accomplishments

- ★ Public safety is a central pillar of the Ehrlich-Steele Administration. The Maryland Emergency Management Agency together with the Maryland Military Department and the Governor's Office of Homeland Security are coordinating with state departments and agencies to achieve a continuous and cost effective state of readiness that will meet the challenges of man-made and natural disasters.
- ★ In concert with the Maryland Military Department, a new MEMA Director was announced December 11 to begin the process of shaping the organization to provide emergency management and a regional vision for homeland security preparedness, response, and recovery network in all Maryland jurisdictions.
- ★ MEMA assisted in the implementation of program review sessions with lead departments to ensure proper oversight of all grant dollars coming to Maryland for emergency response, with the ultimate goal of empowering local jurisdictions on setting priorities for the use of this funding.
- ★ Transformed the Emergency Management System to the five domains of Awareness, Prevention/Mitigation, Preparedness, Response and Recovery to mirror the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.
- ★ Enhanced regional coordination efforts by allocating funding for regional assets with planning support across the state which facilitated coordination for the Urban Area Security Initiative Grants and Interoperable Communication Grants. Regional planning was reinforced by assignment of a liaison team to each region and its jurisdictions.
- ★ Expanded the planning capability of local jurisdictions by funding a planner for each jurisdiction to complete the Homeland Security Assessment, work on regional planning initiatives, and fulfill cooperative agreement tasks across the five domains.



Maj. Gen. Bruce F. Tuxill speaks during a press conference at MEMA with other members of the Governor's team after Hurricane Isabel



On September 15, 2003 as Hurricane Isabel churned away over the warm waters of the Atlantic Ocean still more than 750 miles from the nearest Maryland shoreline the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) was activated.

Tactical Accomplishments

- ★ Governor Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. declared a State of Emergency in Maryland February 16 as a result of a major winter storm that blanketed the Mid-Atlantic region. After meeting with the Adjutant General and the Superintendent of the Maryland State Police at the Maryland Emergency Operations Center, Governor Ehrlich decided on this course of action and subsequently signed the proclamation declaring Maryland a State of Emergency.
- ★ The Governor issued an Executive Directive February 16 limiting vehicular travel to emergency vehicles or those providing essential services. Citizens were urged to exercise common sense in defining "essential services." Essential services included vehicles responding to or related to the state of emergency, those transporting medical care providers or dialysis patients, as well as police, fire and rescue vehicles.
- ★ During 2003, the Federal Government, on separate occasions, increased the National Terrorism Threat Advisory level from significant (Yellow) to high (Orange). The Ehrlich Administration authorized commensurate increases of Maryland's Terrorism Threat Advisory System from Yellow to Orange. Upon notification by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security, MEMA coordinated the advisory with the local jurisdictions, and other State departments and agencies. For the May 6 upgrade from Yellow to Orange, the possibility of retaliatory attacks against the United States and its interests due to the start of hostilities

with Iraq was a key factor. The December 21 elevation was based on an increase in chatter against American interests. Other elevations took place due to additional sources of information.

- ★ Governor Ehrlich declared a State of Emergency in Maryland September 16 in preparation for Hurricane Isabel, which hit Maryland on September 18. This allowed the National Guard to pre-position assets in affected areas.
- ★ This advance declaration called the Maryland National Guard to active service and allowed the emergency operation centers for local jurisdictions to access state resources when the need extended beyond their capabilities. Governor Ehrlich and Lt. Governor Steele conducted a press briefing at the Maryland Emergency Operations Center outlining the State's response to Isabel.
- ★ In the recovery phase of the Hurricane, The Federal Emergency Management Agency at the urging of the Ehrlich Administration, agreed that certain special tax districts in Maryland are eligible for public assistance funding to repair damages resulting from Hurricane Isabel. The special tax districts reside in Anne Arundel and Calvert Counties.
- ★ In an unprecedented move, FEMA agreed to provide funding for 75% of the eligible costs to the State for cleaning up homeowner's yards contaminated with home heating oil spilled during the storm surge caused by Hurricane Isabel.



Governor Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr., (standing) and Lt. Governor Michael S. Steele in the State EOC manage the State's response to the Presidents Day snowstorm that was declared as a Federal emergency by President Bush and impacted 22 Maryland jurisdictions with record or near-record snowfall.

Maryland Defense Force



Brig. Gen. (MD) Benjamin F. Lucas, II, commander of the Maryland Defense Force (left) witnesses the swearing in of 2nd Lt. Linda L. Strack as Col. (Ret) Richard Schnell, reads the oath of office.

The Maryland Defense Force (MDDF) has undergone a reorganization to meet the new challenges faced by the Military Department as a result of the events of September 11, 2001. The mission of the MDDF has been redefined to provide competent supplemental professional and technical support to the Military Department as required. Initially, this support is limited to medical, legal, and chaplain services, with other areas to be considered as the need arises.

The state has been divided into four Military Support Regions, each containing a fixed number of Military Support Teams. Through this structure, the MDDF feels certain that it can fulfill the mandate of its motto, "Officio Vocante Parati" (Ready When Called).



Maj. Gen. Bruce F. Tuxill welcomes the Honorable Frederic N. Smalkin as a member of the Maryland Defense Force who was also appointed by the Governor to serve as the chairman of the Emergency Management Advisory Council.

Education Initiatives

The Maryland National Guard has an ever-increasing role to play in the state's higher education program. Realizing the important need for education, the Guard strives to improve the educational status of citizen-soldiers and airmen. Partnerships between the Maryland National Guard and higher education institutions through tuition waivers and the Distributive Training Technology classrooms are key to giving many military personnel and civilians avenues to pursue a valuable education. The partnerships give Guard members the opportunity to achieve a college education at a reduced cost, while other Marylanders benefit by receiving a wider choice of schools, more convenient class times and locations. Education and training improve the knowledge base of the Guard and the entire state. This program is a top initiative for the Maryland National Guard.

The State has budgeted an amount of \$500,000 coupled with our 50% tuition waiver at most colleges and universities to allow the Maryland National Guard to offer college and vo-tech funding to all members. This program has helped support a strong personnel strength and is linked to force structure (units), which in turn is linked to federal support in terms of personnel, facilities and equipment, all of which is tied to more federal dollars spent in Maryland.



Tech. Sgt. Johnna Long (standing) and Sgt. 1st Class Roderick Duncan Jr., work in the Joint Forces Headquarters Personnel office at the Fifth Regiment Armory in Baltimore. The National Guard education assistance program helped Tech Sgt. Long earn her associates degree.

Allegany College of Maryland
Anne Arundel Community College
Baltimore City Community College
Bowie State University
Carroll Community College
Cecil Community College
Chesapeake Community College
College of Southern Maryland
Community College of Baltimore County
Coppin State College
Frederick Community College
Frostburg State University
Garrett Community College
Hagerstown Community College
Harford Community College
Howard Community College
Loyola College
Montgomery College
Morgan State University
Prince George's Community College
Salisbury State University
St. Mary's College
Towson University
University of Baltimore
University of Maryland at Baltimore
University of Maryland at Baltimore County
University of Maryland Biotechnology Institute
University of Maryland College Park
University of Maryland Eastern Shore
University of Maryland University College
Washington College
Wor-Wic Community College

Military Support to Civil Authorities



Community Support

During FY-03, the Maryland National Guard continued to support local community based organization and events through the participation of its citizen-soldiers and airmen and equipment. As in the past, the Maryland National Guard has supported local, state and federal law enforcement and first responder agencies. This year the Maryland National Guard joined with federal, state, and local law enforcement to form the Maryland Coordination and Analysis Cell, a first of its kind anti-terrorism center.

In FY-03, the Maryland National Guard supported community events and organizations at an economic value of \$586,750 through the following activities:

- 229th Maryland Army National Guard Band
- Army & Air Guard Fly-Overs
- Engineer Support - Community Projects
- Color Guard
- Marching Units
- Use of Armories
- Ground Transportation
- Speakers Bureau
- Counter Drug Activities & Law Enforcement
- Equipment Loans
- JROTC/ROTC Support



Estimated Economic Value to Jurisdictions

Anne Arundel	\$42,500
Allegany	12,500
Baltimore	158,750
Baltimore City	128,000
Calvert	5,000
Carroll	2,500
Cecil	13,500
Frederick	57,500
Harford	65,500
Howard	3,000
Kent	5,000
Montgomery	23,000
Prince George's	30,000
Somerset	12,500
Washington	5,000
Worcester	<u>22,500</u>
	\$586,750

Counterdrug Task Force

Since 1989, the Maryland National Guard Counterdrug Task Force (MD-CDTF), a federally funded DoD program, has been a vital member of a coalition of National Guard, law enforcement agencies (LEAs), and local communities, which have been involved in a multi-front battle against drugs and drug-related violence. The mission of the program is to provide professional and dedicated military personnel and equipment to support federal, state, and local drug LEAs as well as community based organizations that work to reduce the demand for drugs. The MD-CDTF currently consists of 33 highly trained Army and Air National Guard personnel on full time active duty status. These skilled soldiers and airmen are from National Guard units throughout the state and perform counterdrug (CD) duties in a support role.

Maryland National Guard support of drug-related seizures in FY03

Estimated value of all seizures (FY03)	\$18,353,700
Since 1989	\$187,346,700
 Total arrest supported (FY03)	 120
Since 1989	5,206



(Photo by Alisia Chapman, staff photographer for the Aegis) An aviator with the Maryland National Guard's Counter Drug Task Force walks away from an OH-58 Kiowa helicopter during a training mission.



Citizen-soldiers on state active duty work with Kent Island Fire Department to load a rescue boat into a 2-ton truck in the aftermath of Hurricane Isabel.

The Maryland National Guard supports the following agencies:

- U.S. Customs Service
- U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency
- Maryland State Police
- The Washington/Baltimore High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area

Significant Missions

Freestate ChalleNGe Academy

Summer 2003 began the Freestate ChalleNGe Academy's tenth year of operation. The 22-week residential program is an at-risk youth intervention program for unemployed high school dropouts from Maryland and the District of Columbia. Focusing on eight components, the academy has succeeded in graduating 1,500 youth, with 1,100 of them achieving their General Education Development (GED) or high school equivalency diploma. The academy was recognized for its 71 percent success rate in GED recipients with its second Uniform Service Organization (USO) Award for Academic Excellence. Local and national organizations recognized Maryland's Freestate ChalleNGe Academy's achievements, including a proclamation from the Harford County Council and a \$5,000 award from the Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary. The cadets continue to be supported by community organizations and individuals, who contributed \$18,000 every cycle at graduation.



Recent Graduates of the Freestate ChalleNGe Academy smile as they walk out with their diplomas.

State Partnership Program

This year marks the tenth anniversary of the Maryland National Guard's State Partnership Program (SPP) with Estonia. The SPP, which was launched in Europe as part of the initial outreach by the United States to new democracies in Central and Eastern Europe and former Soviet Union. The SPP brings together U.S. states and territories and partner nations through a range of military, civil-military and civil activities under Guard auspices. This year Maryland was also selected to partner with Bosnia and Herzegovina in part because of the success with Estonia. Maryland will have a key role in this international initiative in fostering democracy, encouraging market economies and promoting regional cooperation and stability. The partnership program emphasizes civil to military cooperation. Bosnians are also interested in learning how to recruit a volunteer force and implement an active reserve component model and developing a non-commissioned officer corps.



In College Park members of the Estonian HAZMAT team are training with the Maryland National Guard's 32nd Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Team at the University of Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute.

Maryland National Guard Honor Guard

- ★ Performed 3,031 veterans' funerals during FY-03, an average of 250 funerals per month.
- ★ Presented honors at five state, one federal and numerous private cemeteries throughout Maryland.
- ★ Have performed 12,157 honors since its inception in October 1998.



The Maryland National Guard Honor Guard gives a final salute to a Maryland veteran at Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens while a flag is presented to the family (left).

Distributive Training Technology



William Fearrington, lead technician for the Maryland National Guard's Distributive Learning Program, works with Sgt. 1st Class William T. Fitzgerald at a Distributive Learning Center located at the Fifth Regiment Armory in Baltimore.

The Maryland National Guard Distributive Training Technology was created to provide high-tech training centers for use by the Maryland National Guard, state agencies and others for everything from video teleconference meetings to basic computer training and emergency management.

The centers are located in National Guard armories around the state, bring their resources and capabilities to urban and rural communities alike. A total of 26 sites are existing with 15 considered at or near full capability. Eight of the sites are part of the National Guard Bureau's nationwide Distance Learning Program.

The use of the facilities has grown tremendously in recent years with the annual usage climbing to almost 8,800 user hours in FY 03.

Year at a Glance



Staff Sgt. Ward stands guard at one of several security checkpoints in Dorchester County after Hurricane Isabel washed out local bridges.



Ready and waiting for the emergency call, soldiers from the 1-115th Infantry are on the flight line just in case they are needed. In all, over 600 citizen-soldiers and more than 200 pieces of equipment were provided to support in the recovery effort of Hurricane Isabel.



Soldiers from the 115th Military Police Battalion are full of tears and smiles as they are welcomed home by loved-ones after 8 months in Baghdad supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom.



Maj. Gen. Bruce F. Tuxill (left) surveys the damage from Hurricane Isabel with Governor Robert L. Ehrlich Jr., and Dennis R. Schrader, director of homeland security as well as members of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), are transported by a Maryland Army National Guard UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter.



During Hurricane Isabel Guardsmen help to evacuate the residents from Crisfield, Md. High-mobility, multipurpose, wheeled vehicles (Humvies) and 2½ ton trucks aided in the evacuation of more than 2,000 citizens.



A soldier from the 115th Light Anti-tank Battalion in Chestertown, Md. fires a Tube-launched optically tracked wire-wire missile (TOW) at a target down range at Ft. A. P. Hill, Va.



The Maryland Army National Guard provided over 500 citizen-soldiers and more than 220 pieces of equipment, primarily Hummves and other equipment, for emergency transportation and assisted with snow removal. The National Guard traveled almost 45,000 mission miles in every county in the state and Baltimore City.



Ground crews change propellers on a C130J at Warfield Air National Guard Base



The Maryland Air National Guard's 104th Fighter Squadron and other portions of the 175th Wing in Afghanistan stand in front of a A-10 Warthog. They deployed for a normal rotation in the Aerospace Expeditionary Force in January 2003 and the wing members were mobilized in-place and fought the war on terrorism for six months by serving at Bagram Airfield in Afghanistan.



A C130J full of Maryland Air National Guard veterans from the war on terror in Afghanistan flies the State flag, as the airmen are welcomed home.



Sgt. Chew of the 121st Engineer Battalion manages a snow removal detail in Baltimore during the President's Day Snowstorm on State Active Duty.



Safe in her father's arms, a soldier from 115th Military Police Battalion is welcomed as she returns from Baghdad just in time for the holidays.

Fiscal Impact

The Primary purpose of the Maryland Military Department, which oversees the Maryland Army, Air National Guard, MEMA and the Maryland Defense Force, is to contribute to the security of the nation and the state of Maryland. While doing so, it also has a major impact on the State of Maryland.

Financial support to the Maryland National Guard totaled \$222.3 million in fiscal year 2003. Funds are received from the Department of the Army (52.3%), the Department of the Air Force (27.4%), Federal Emergency Management Agency (12.9%), and State of Maryland (7.4%). State funds cover the salaries of state regular and contractual employees, maintenance and repair of MDNG facilities. Additionally, the state provides matching funds for the Freestate Challenge program and tuition assistance for Guard Members.

Federal support to the Maryland Military Department is significant, as shown on the subsequent pages. These expenditures, which have an economic impact to nearly all political subdivisions in Maryland, covers pay and allowances, training, supplies, equipment and construction. This also includes funding for Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Maryland National Guard Units are located in all but four counties—Caroline, Dorchester, St. Mary's and Worcester. The largest federal expenditures each year are normally in Baltimore County, Harford County and Baltimore City.

The figures listed for the counties without armories represent the salaries paid to Guard members who live in these political subdivisions but serve elsewhere.

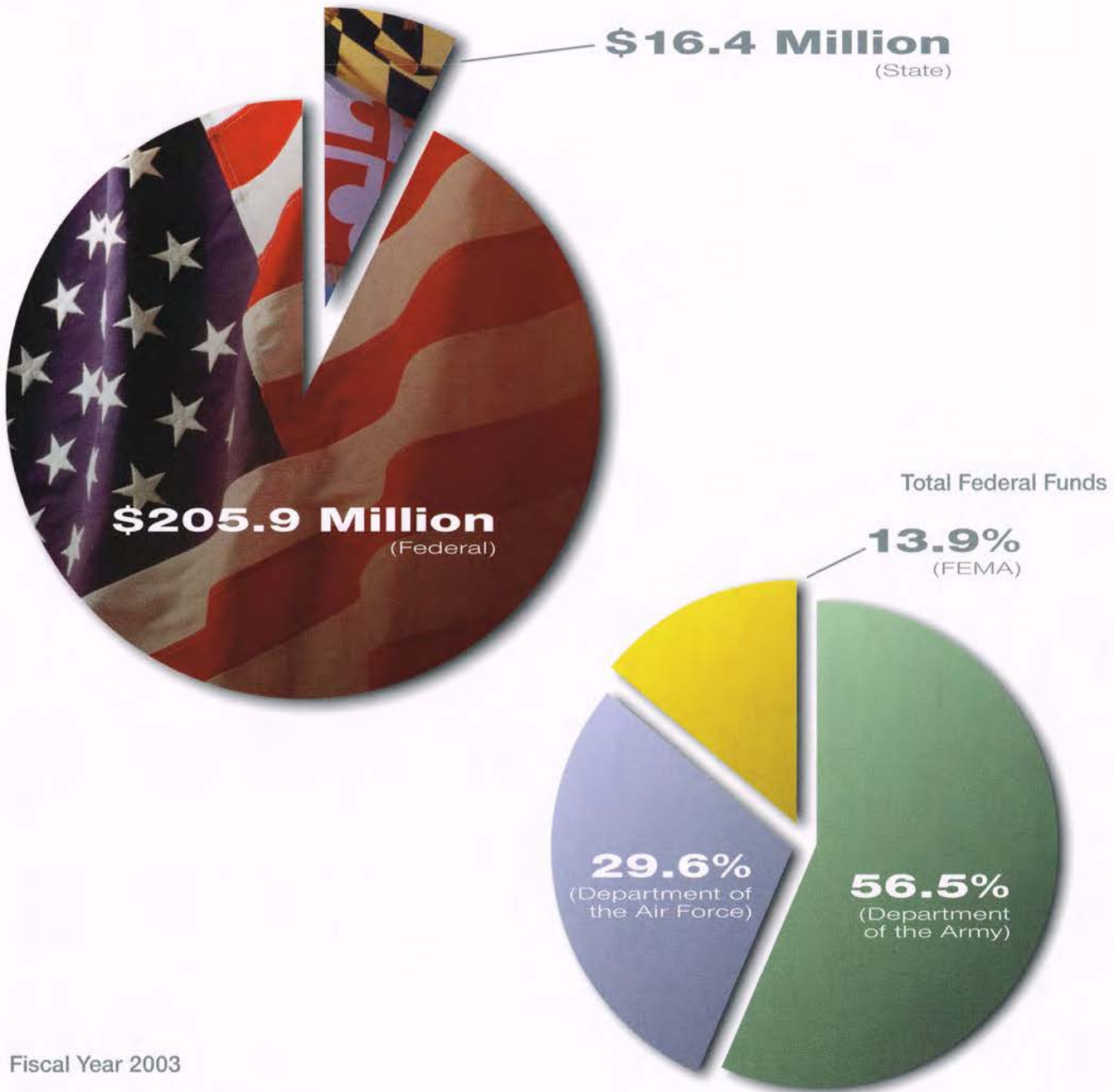


In the aftermath of Hurricane Isabel more than 60 members of the Army and Air National Guard volunteered for State Active Duty without pay to assist in the clean up effort for elderly residents in Baltimore County.

Both the Maryland Army and Air National Guard receive federal funds in three basic appropriations:

- 1. Military Personnel.** Includes pay, authorized allowances, uniforms and individual equipment, disability benefits, bonuses and related expenses for personnel in connection with active duty, active duty for training (two-week annual training) and inactive duty training (drill weekends).
- 2. Operations and Maintenance.** Includes activities involved in the administration of the National Guard, training of units, procurement of organizational equipment, supplies, repair parts, services, equipment maintenance and activities in connection with military support to civil authorities. This appropriation also includes all full-time payrolls.
- 3. Construction.** Includes construction and modification and procurement of facilities and necessary items for the National Guard. These funds are not normally authorized for use on state property. In some cases, however, the federal government has provided funds based on the state's agreement to share costs in constructing, altering or modifying selected state facilities.

Federal vs. State Expenditures FY03



Fiscal Year 2003



(7.4%) \$16.4 Million
State contribution to
Maryland Military Department



(92.6%) \$205.9 Million
Federal contribution to
Maryland Military Department

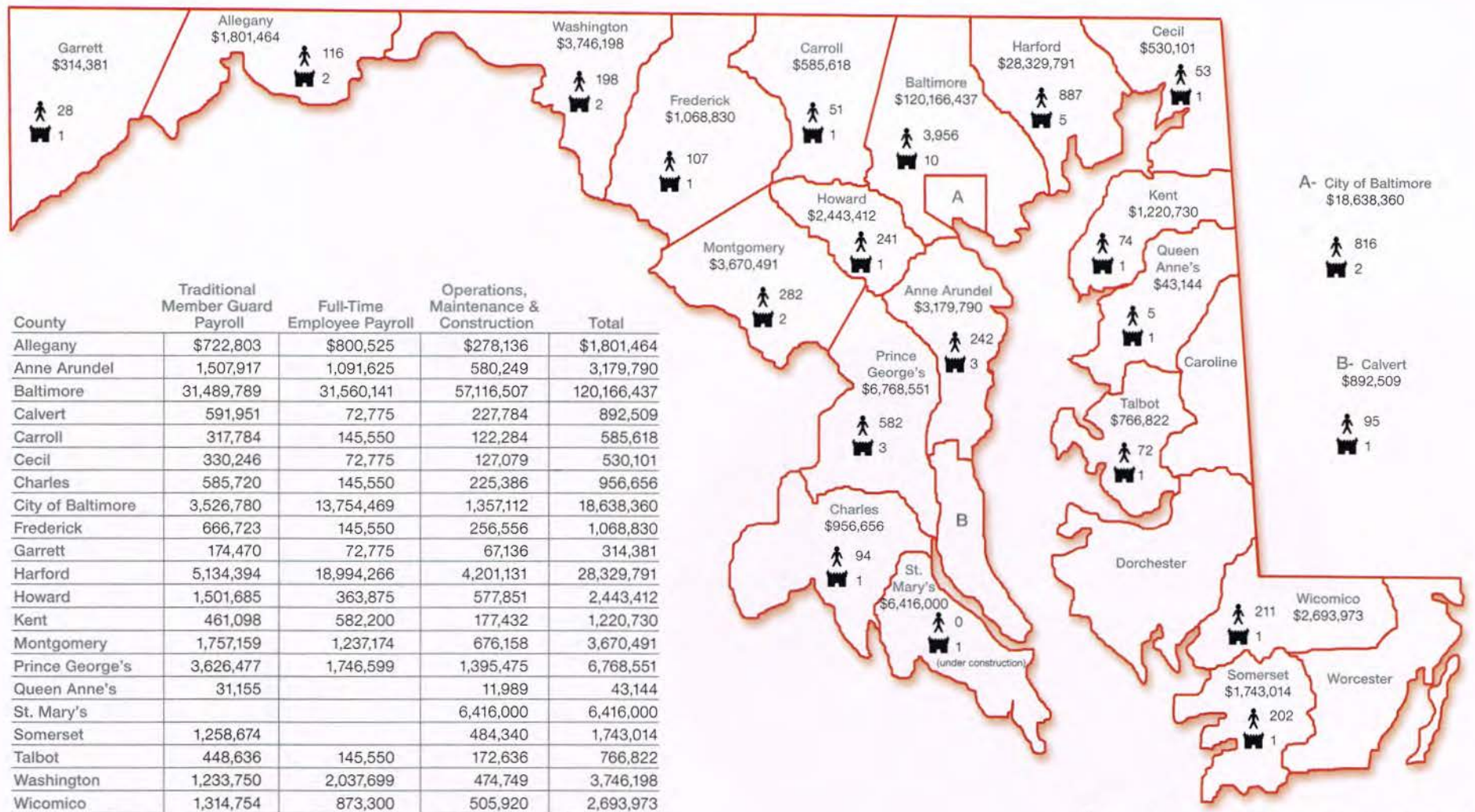
For every \$13 spent by the Federal Government in support of the Maryland Military Department, the State spends \$1

Total Work Force

Maryland Army National Guard	6,150
Maryland Air National Guard	1,659
MEMA	40
Maryland Defense Force	120
Maryland Military Department	<u>343</u>
	8,312

FEDERAL VS. STATE

Maryland National Guard Fiscal Impact by Jurisdiction FY03



Approximate number of personnel assigned per jurisdiction
 Number of installations per jurisdiction

Maryland National Guard's Real Property



The Architects concept of the new (\$3,241,500) Salisbury OMS scheduled for completion in the Spring of 2004.

Real Property Holdings Inventory Includes:

- 42 Armories
 - 1 Airfield
 - 1 Air Base
 - 5 Military Training Reservations
 - 11 OMS's
 - 311 Buildings
 - 2,856,878 SF
 - 4062 Acres
- Property Value: \$270,500,000

Patuxent River Readiness Center in St. Mary's County

The cost of this multi-unit armory will be \$7.65 million as approved by the US Congress. The facility is currently under design and construction is slated to begin in the Spring of 2004.



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