The Delaware Army and Air National Guard are federally-authorized military forces with both federal and state missions. The federal mission of the Delaware National Guard is to maintain properly trained and equipped units available for prompt mobilization in the event of war, national emergency or as otherwise needed. In this capacity, command and control is within the purview of the President of the United States.

The state mission of the Delaware National Guard is to provide trained and disciplined forces for domestic emergencies or as otherwise required. In a peacetime environment or operation short of federal mobilization, organizational command and control is directed by the Governor of the State of Delaware. The Delaware National Guard employs a full-time and part-time workforce paid using federal, state or combined funding sources.

**KEY OBJECTIVES**

- Maintain a balanced force structure authorization of 1,587 soldiers in the Army National Guard and 1,069 airmen in the Air National Guard.
- Enhance joint operation capabilities to achieve optimal mission effectiveness and efficiency on operations involving Army and Air personnel.
- Continue quality recruiting, promotion and retention programs, as well as enhancing mission readiness, through effective military leadership development programs and challenging unit training.
- Develop and participate in local, state and national programs and partnerships that provide a positive impact on Delaware communities.

**BACKGROUND AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

The Delaware National Guard provides personnel and equipment in the event of a natural disaster, civil disturbance or an actual armed conflict. The Delaware National Guard provides service to local communities, the entire population of the State of Delaware and the whole of the United States.

The following are recent accomplishments of the Delaware National Guard.
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- Responded for service around the world with the following activities:
  - Airmen from the 166th Security Forces Squadron returned from Afghanistan deployment;
  - The 126th Medical Evacuation Detachment returned from Afghanistan deployment;
  - The 1049th Transportation Company returned from a one-year Afghanistan deployment;
  - Soldiers in the 153rd Military Police Company are preparing for mobilization in January 2013 for a one-year deployment to Afghanistan;
  - The 198th Regiment is preparing for mobilization in April 2013 for deployment to Afghanistan;
  - Airmen from the Logistics Readiness Squadron completed a seven month deployment to Afghanistan; and
  - Approximately 180 airmen from Airlift and Maintenance Operation Groups will be deployed to support Southwest Asia in March 2013.
- Conducted periodic emergency preparedness exercises with the Delaware Emergency Management Agency regarding the Salem Nuclear Power Plant.
- Provided drug education to students and supported local law enforcement agencies through the Counterdrug Task Force.
- Participated with federal, state and local agencies on the Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council.
- Supported local communities through a wide array of programs and initiatives and worked in conjunction with mentoring and family assistance programs.

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ACTIVITIES

- Provide well-trained and equipped Army and Air Force units of the Delaware National Guard to promptly and effectively respond to domestic emergencies and unit deployment requirements.
- Provide administrative leadership, maintenance, security and facilities for training the Delaware National Guard to meet its state and federal missions.
- Provide maintenance, repairs and payment of daily expenditures on Army and Air National Guard facilities in accordance with service contract funding agreements with the federal government.

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