



FY2026 Department Budget Overview



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DMVA Mission



Mission:

- Provide military forces to accomplish missions in the state and around the world
- Provide homeland security/defense; emergency preparedness, response, and recovery
- Provide services to veterans
- Provide military style education and training to youth at risk of not graduating

Sources:

- Alaska Statute 44.35.020
- Alaska Statute Title 26
- Mission, Vision, and Core Values: https://dmva.alaska.gov/

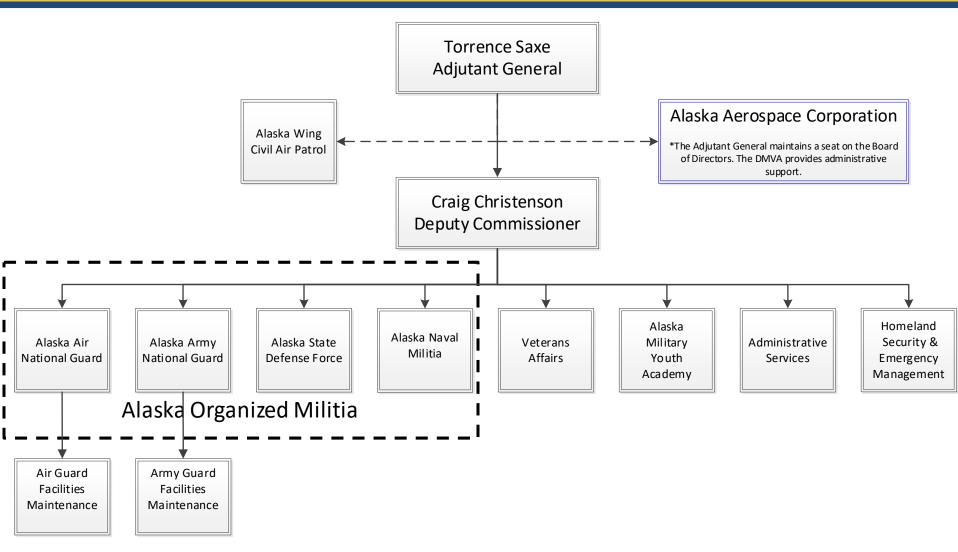
Department Key Performance Indicators:

https://omb.alaska.gov/html/performance/ABS/index_kpm_dept_9.html



Organization







2024 Department Highlights



- State Emergency Operations Center responded to 140 incidents, 12 state disasters, and three federal disasters
- AMYA graduated 244 cadets; 94 GED, eight HS diplomas, 26 GED and HS diplomas
- Processed 4,160 new disability claims through the VA; over \$100M in disability payments to Alaskan veterans annually
- Co-sponsored 2nd annual "Honoring Women Veterans" event; 100+ attendees
- Fairbanks Veterans Cemetery grant opportunity









2024 Department Highlights



- AKNG Counterdrug Program supported interdiction of 814K fentanyl, 120K meth, and 419K cocaine user doses
- 148 Search and Rescue missions completed with 199 saves
- 168th Air Refueling Squadron scrambled 47 alert launches, refueling 125 individual receivers, transferring 2.27 million pounds of fuel



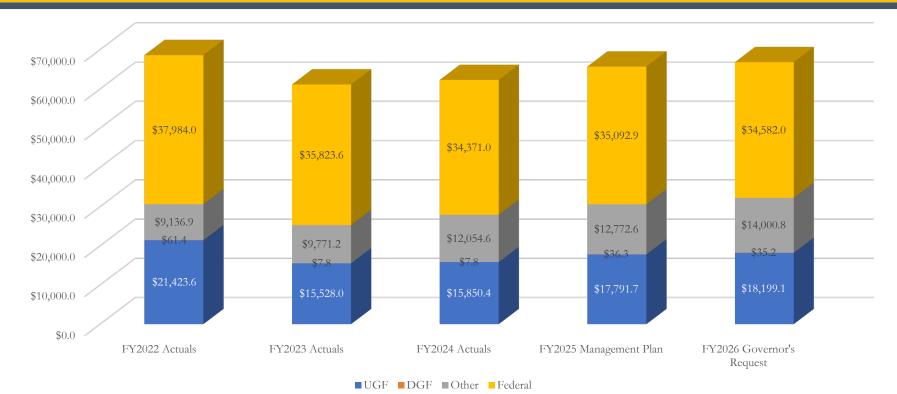






FY2026 Operating Budget Comparison (\$ in Thousands)





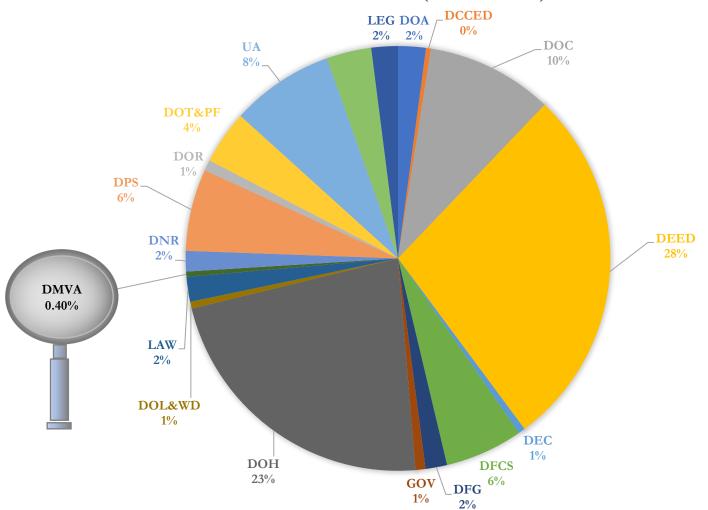
	FY2022 Actuals	FY2023 Actuals	FY2024 Actuals	FY2025 Management Plan	FY2026 Governor's Request	Difference FY2022 and FY2026
UGF	\$21,423.6	\$15,528.0	\$15,850.4	\$17,791.7	\$18,199.1	-\$3,224.5
DGF	\$61.4	\$7.8	\$7.8	\$36.3	\$35.2	-\$26.2
Other	\$9,136.9	\$9,771.2	\$12,054.6	\$12,772.6	\$14,000.8	\$4,863.9
Federal	\$37,984.0	\$35,823.6	\$34,371.0	\$35,092.9	\$34,582.0	-\$3,402.0
Total	\$68,605.9	\$61,130.6	\$62,283.8	\$65,693.5	\$66,817.1	-\$1,788.8



DMVA Percentage of State UGF



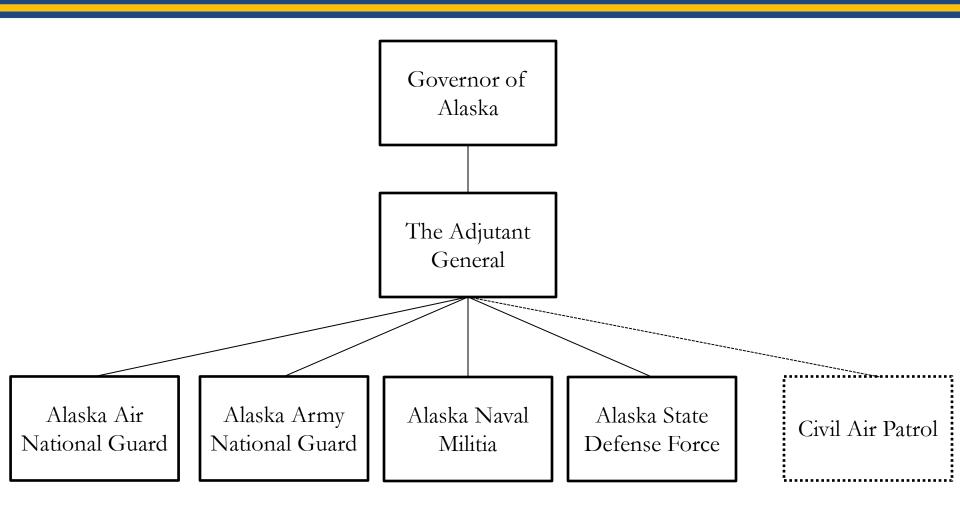
FY2026 GOVERNOR REQUEST SHARE OF TOTAL AGENCY OPERATIONS (UGF ONLY)





Alaska Organized Militia

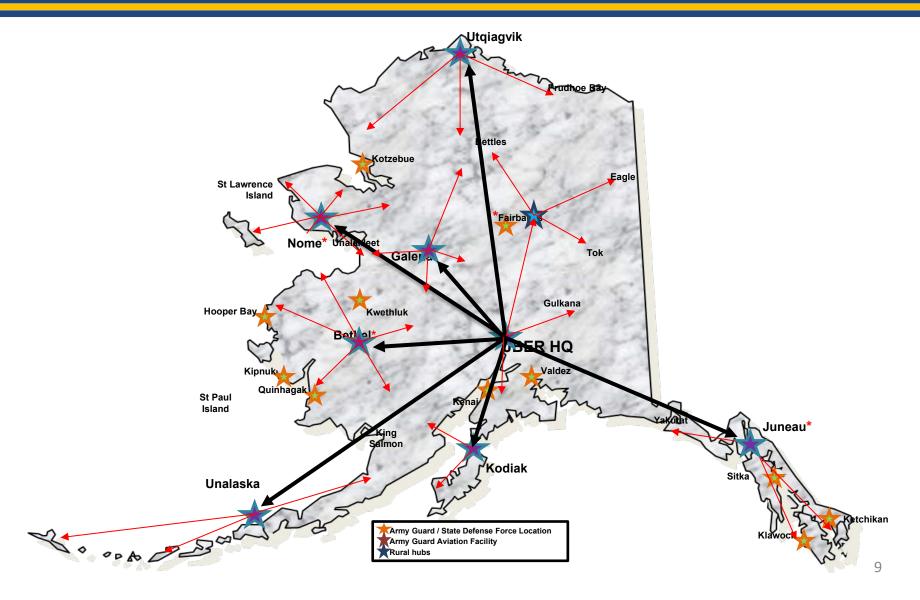






Rural Operations



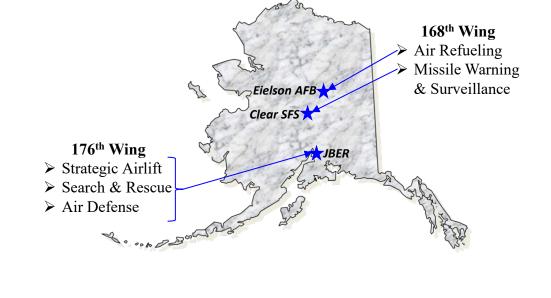




Alaska Air National Guard



- 176th Wing (JBER)
 - Combat Search and Rescue
 - Strategic and Tactical Airlift
 - Air Defense
- 168th Wing (Eielson)
 - Air Refueling
- Clear Space Base (Anderson)
 - Early Missile Warning
 - Space Surveillance
- State employees operate under a Master Cooperative Agreement supporting facilities maintenance, construction, project management, and administrative and accounting support

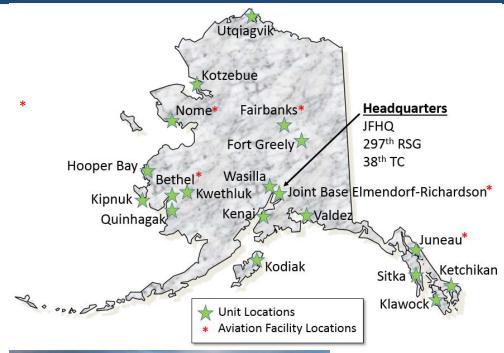






Alaska Army National Guard

- 297th Regional Support Group
 - Infantry
 - Military Police
 - Engineers
 - Public Affairs
 - Base Sustainment
- 38th Troop Command
 - Ballistic Missile Defense
 - Aviation
 - WMD Response
- Joint Force Headquarters Army
 - Recruiting and Retention
 - Training Regiment
 - Medical Detachment
- State employees operate under a Master Cooperative Agreement supporting environmental programs, facilities maintenance, construction and project management, distributed learning program, and administrative and accounting support







Alaska Naval Militia



- Established under federal code and AS 26.05
- 52 members comprised of Navy and Marine Corps Reservists, and Navy retirees
- Members fully integrate into the Alaska Organized Militia (AKOM) through combined training and exercises
- Augment the AKOM on State Active Service orders in their respective work centers and/or perform specific tasks, as assigned
- Celebrated its 40th Anniversary
- Responded to the August Juneau Mendenhall flood
- Participated in IRT Arctic Care Mission
- Partnered with Naval Reserve Center to recognize and honor fallen US submarine from WW2







Alaska State Defense Force



- Established under AS 26.05.100 as a component of the Alaska Organized Militia, as a volunteer force
- Role is to augment and compliment the Alaska National Guard and Alaska Naval Militia during state activations
- 225 members and 25 detachments across the state
- Participate in State Active Duty activations, primarily responding to disaster events such as the August Juneau Mendenhall flood
- Developing a network of High Frequency radio communications
- Training on water purification treatment systems
- Serve as volunteers for community events across the state, one of the bigger events being Arctic Winter Games









DMVA FY2026 Operating Budget: Change Summary (\$ in Thousands)



Office of the Adjutant General

Expanded Operations of Alaska Organized Militia for increased outreach, training, and response capabilities

TOTAL	175.0
General Fund	175.0

- Recruiting & outreach activities
- Participation of members in various joint training & exercises
- Monthly training execution & annual organization muster
- Response to events that do not reach the level of disaster declaration
- Execution of priority projects such as communication systems
- Funding needs for operation & response including supplies, cold weather gear, lease space for training, and travel



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Homeland Security and Emergency Management Federal Fund Change

TOTAL	0.0
Federal Receipts	-800.0
Interagency Receipts	500.0
Capital Interagency Receipts	300.0

- Most federal grants have moved to the capital budget
- More declared disasters in recent years
- More payroll getting charged to those capital grant and disaster funds



AKNG Counterdrug Program



Supports the detection, interdiction, disruption, and curtailment of drug trafficking activities through the application of military unique skills and domestic operations resources. AKNG members employ a two-pronged approach of supply reduction and demand reduction (prevention) to support a comprehensive community response to identify the local drug threat and address it in a locally relevant way.



FFY2024 AK Counterdrug Support 18 Soldiers & Airmen

- Embedded Support to 5 LEAs
- 59 Flight Hours—CD Aviation
- 25 Fentanyl/Opioid Cases
- 43,000 Naloxone Kits distributed
- Drug Prevention for 4,347
 Alaskans

SUPPORTED INTERDICTION:

- 814,491K Fentanyl User Doses (\$10.5M Street Value)
- 121,177K Meth User Doses (\$2M Street Value)
- 419,310K of Cocaine User Doses
 (\$4.1M Street Value)
- \$652,000 Illicit Currency

Counterdrug Criminal Analysts

Support LEAs with highly trained and certified analysts to curtail the distribution of illicit drugs, focusing on the disruption of illicit drug financing, production, transportation and distribution. In addition to applying analyst core competencies, analysts improve the communication, knowledge management, and interoperability between agencies to reduce drug supply.



Counterdrug Aviation

Provide LEAs Aviation support via transportation, aerial reconnaissance, and aerial observation over the vast Alaskan geographical landscape that lacks ground transportation infrastructure. Bolster LEA mission success by providing necessary technology, equipment, and capabilities while supporting AKNG aviator and crew skill proficiency.



Counterdrug Drug Demand Reduction-Outreach

Provide support to Alaskan communities via law enforcement outreach efforts through Alaska High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area and state partners. Apply military leadership, communication and decision-making skills to facilitate and enhance evidence-based, community-led prevention strategies to address polysubstance abuse and decrease the demand of illicit drugs.





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State Active Duty

Counterdrug Data Analysis, Research, Interdiction, Training, Outreach, and Education for Drug Prevention in the State of Alaska

TOTAL	200.0
Interagency Receipts	200.0

- Activation of two National Guard members upon request
- Support Alaska's local law enforcement and prevention through analysis, research, interdiction, and educational support activities
- Based on funding availability from other State agencies















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