



Preparing Alaska's Defense Communities for the Future

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Key Issues Facing Defense Communities and States

DoD is Getting a Reprieve from Budget Madness (for now)



- Historic 10 percent jump in DOD's topline to \$700 billion in FY 2018 and \$716 billion in current year
- Growth flattens in out years:
 - FY 2020 — \$701 billion
 - FY 2021 — \$714 billion
 - FY 2022 — \$728 billion
 - FY 2023 — \$742 billion
- Active-component end strength would increase by 15,600 personnel (by Sept. 30, 2019):
 - Army — 4,000 (to reach an end strength of 487,500)
 - Navy — 7,500 (335,400)
 - Marine Corps — 100 (186,100)
 - Air Force — 4,000 (329,100)
- **Big issues create high degree of uncertainty regarding 2020 budget**

National Defense Strategy

- Focus on “great power competition” — replaces military’s primary emphasis on counterterrorism with a focus on staying ahead of other world powers, primarily China and Russia
- Three priorities for the department:
 - restoring readiness while building a more lethal force
 - strengthening alliances and attracting new partners
 - reforming DOD’s business practices, including an effort “to reduce excess property and infrastructure, providing Congress with options for a Base Realignment and Closure”
- What happens in the post-Mattis era?



Quality of Life Matters

“We will encourage leadership to consider the quality of schools near bases and whether reciprocity of professional licenses is available for military families when evaluating future basing or mission alternatives...”

- New STEM Elementary School Serving Laughlin AFB, TX
- Military Spouse Economic Empowerment Zones
- R.A. Bryan Foundation Sports Complex on Joint Base Charleston, SC
- Missouri NMSI program??



More States are Investing in Defense Infrastructure

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State	Combined Project Funding	Largest Project Completed
Alabama	\$30 Million	Various road projects
California	\$10.78 Million	\$4.7 million to vehicle-to-grid Project
Connecticut	\$10.5 Million	Dive locker (support facility)
Hawaii	\$28.2 Million	\$21.6 Million to Solomon Elem. School
Maryland	Land Donation	Access to Fort Meade
Massachusetts	\$23 Million	\$9 Million to runway improvements
Oklahoma	\$33 Million	\$25 million to land purchases
Texas	\$30 Million	JBSA, Fort Hood, Fort Bliss, Laughlin AFB water and transportation projects
Utah	\$35 Million	Construction new west gate at Hill AFB

States and Communities are Driving Installation Resiliency & Efficiency Efforts

- \$10M Partnership to Protect the Water Supply for Naval Weapon Station Earle, NJ
- New 10 Year IGSA Allows Midwest City, TX to provide commercial sanitation services to Tinker AFB
- Virginia allocating \$700,000 for the purchase of 30 acres of land to provide space for Fort Eustis to build a new entry control point.
- Newly signed IGSA will allow the City of Albany, GA to provide on base services MCLB Albany including trash pickup, water testing, street sweeping and utility line response



States and Communities are Investing in their Defense Economies

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Strengthening the Supply Chain and Spurring Innovation:

- Illinois Defense Network
- New England Regional Defense Industry Collaboration Initiative
- North Carolina Defense Industry Diversification Initiative
- Maryland DefTech
- Grand Sky Project
- Dayton Ohio Project 444



A New Way to Support Defense Infrastructure

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- NDAA includes new authority: Defense Community Infrastructure Program
- Provides federal money to support state/local infrastructure projects that enhance military value
- 10-year pilot program; 30 percent cost-share requirement; it can be waived, however, for rural communities or “for reasons related to national security.”
- Next step, Congress needs to allocate funding for the program in the FY 2020 defense appropriations bill.



Keys Ideas for States





Your State To-Do List

1. **Understand** the current and future mission capabilities and what that means for your bases and their readiness
2. **Protect** the availability and condition of land, facilities, and associated airspace.
3. **Improve and Invest** in the ability to accommodate contingency, mobilization, surge, and future total force requirements.
4. **Manage** the cost of operations, including cost of living and quality of life.
5. **Support** your state's efforts on military retention and celebrate the great things you do.

Strong communities and strong bases can only be preserved through a commitment to exceed what has been done in the past. That is our challenge, but it is also an opportunity that we as America's defense communities must be ready to embrace – for the warfighters, their families and our nation.





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