



## Alaska State Defense Force



Closest to home and ready to serve

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## Alaska State Defense Force

### 200+ Members in 23 Detachments across Alaska

- Alaska State Defense Force (ASDF) is established under AS 26.05.100 as a component of the Alaska Organized Militia, as a volunteer force. Their role is to augment and compliment the Alaska National Guard and Alaska Naval Militia during state activations.
- The ASDF is a successor to the Alaska Territorial Guard and the Alaska Army National Guard Scouts



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## Mission



“The Alaska State Defense Force collaborates with citizens, communities, native corporations, non-profit organizations, and governmental agencies to train an organized state military reserve to prepare, plan, respond, mitigate, and recover from natural and man-made disasters.”



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## What Makes Us Unique



- Made up of 64 percent veterans and 36 percent civilians
- Current and former credentialed law enforcement
- Civilian Professionals who enhance engineering, HAZMAT, cyber, medical, and communication operations
- Military veterans who enhance domain awareness, survival skills, leadership, and adaptability
- Teammates with diverse educational backgrounds
- **DEDICATED TO THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF OUR COMMUNITIES AND STATE**



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## How We Support Alaska



- Community Outreach and Participation
- Rural Alaska Resiliency Partnership
- Emergency Response and Support
- Support of Civil Authority
- Domain Awareness
- Communications Operations
- Medical Station Support



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## ASDF Recent Response Activities



- Typhoon Merbok (SEPT 2022)
- 2020 COVID-19 Pandemic (FEB 20 – DEC 21)
- 2018 South Central Earthquake (Dec 18 – FEB 19)



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## Alaska State Defense Force Service Members are Valuable Assets to their Families, Community, & Alaska



### Benefits to Members:

- Discipline
- Ethics
- Pride in work, community, state
- Health and welfare
- Technical & educational skills
- Networking Opportunities



### Benefits to Employers:

- Better trained employee
  - Improved self-motivation
  - Improved technical skills
- Promotes working as a team

### Benefits to Community:

- Often "first on scene" in communities affected by disasters because members stay in their communities
- Incident Command trained members available during emergency response