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# National Guard Dual Missions Always Ready, Always There

#### **State Mission**

- The Governor may call individuals or units into state service during emergencies or to assist in special situations
- To provide trained and disciplined forces for domestic emergencies or as otherwise provided by state law

#### **Federal Mission**

- President serves as Commander-In-Chief
- Provide properly trained and equipped units for prompt mobilization for war, national emergency or as otherwise needed



#### **2023 Year in Review**

Mobilizations/Deployments

245th Aviation



160th Engineers



### 2023 Year in Review (cont'd)

**Kent County Cyber Operation Mission** 





## 2023 Year in Review (cont'd)

Special Act Awards to ANG Firefighters



State Partnership Program Celebrates 30 Years



2023 Year in Review (cont'd)

Youth ChalleNGe Program



2023 Year in Review (cont'd)



Radiological Emergency Preparedness (REP) Program

#### **National Guard Commitment**

- Maintain a balanced force structure authorization of 1,675 Army Guard Soldiers and 1,136 Air Guard Airmen
- Enhance joint operation capabilities to achieve optimal mission effectiveness and efficiency of operations involving Army and Air personnel
- Continue quality recruiting, promotion and retention programs
- Enhance 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 the community





#### **FY 2025 Enhancements**

- \$5,896.4 Operating Budget Request
- Contractual Services Enhancement (1% increase from FY 2024)
  - \$56.3
  - Assist with rising maintenance costs of aging Readiness Centers
  - Meet agency's dynamic requirements
- Personnel Enhancement
  - One, 100% state funded, full-time employee to serve as an Administrative Officer-Supervisor to support the Lodging Office on Bethany Beach Training Site

## **Closing Remarks**

- Sustain operational readiness and effectiveness
- Thank you for continued support
- Proud to serve the citizens of this great State & Nation
- Always Ready, Always There