

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA NATIONAL GUARD

FACT SHEET

Created in 1802 by President Thomas Jefferson, the District of Columbia National Guard is the first military responder to defend and support the nation's capital, the nation's leaders, residents, workers and visitors by assisting district and federal agencies in the District of Columbia. Known as the Capital Guardians, the DCNG maintains trained and equipped forces as reserve components of the Air Force and Army, uniquely poised to perform sustained ground missions and federal air missions as directed to defend and protect the homeland. Commanded by Maj. Gen. William J. Walker, the District of Columbia National Guard is the only National Guard that reports only to the U.S. president.



HISTORY

The roots of the DCNG are older than the District of Columbia, older than the active duty military and older than the United States. Before there was a District of Columbia, Citizen Soldiers were forming militia units in Georgetown and Bladensburg. These militiamen were among those who would fight—and win—the American War of Independence. The DCNG is the only National Guard with a national mission—to protect our Federal Government as the President's Guard.

Supervision and control of DCNG was delegated by the President of the United States to the Secretary of Defense pursuant to Executive Order 10030 in

Jan. 26, 1949, with authority given to the Secretary to designate officials of the National Military Establishment to administer affairs of the DCNG.

The DCNG is the only U.S. military force empowered to function in a state or, in this case, a district status. Those functions range from limited actions during non-emergency situations to full-scale law enforcement of martial law when local law enforcement officials can no longer maintain civil control. The National Guard may be called into federal service in response to a call by the President or Congress.

DCNG VISION

To cultivate a continuously adapting, growing and ever evolving cohesive Army and Air National Guard team that while striving for perfection steadily becomes the premier National Guard in the Nation with an unmatched relevant, resilient and responsive professional joint force ready at a moment's notice for virtually any Department of Defense, federal or district government mission.

DCNG MISSION

To proactively anticipate requirements and be prepared to rapidly deploy where directed, and confidently execute the orders of the President of the United States, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Army and the Secretary of the Air Force in times of peace and war with a highly disciplined, motivated and focused professional force that is well led and optimally manned, trained and equipped to meet the expectations of the Department of Defense, our federal and District of Columbia government partners, and the needs of our fellow citizens.

STATE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM



Burkina Faso



Jamaica

The State Partnership Program (SPP) is a joint program of the United States Department of Defense, the U.S. State Department, and the individual states, territories, and the District of Columbia. Guided by U.S. foreign policy goals, the SPP is administered by the National Guard Bureau and supports theater commanders' security cooperation objectives. The program has been successfully building mutually beneficial relationships around the globe for 25 years. In February 2019, the DCNG partnered with Burkina Faso. The pairing of Burkina Faso is the 76th state partner under the SPP. Burkina Faso is the DCNG's second state partnership. The DCNG formalized a partnership with the Jamaican Defense Forces in 1999. Since the partnership began, the DCNG has completed more than 40 exchanges with Jamaican partners ranging from humanitarian assistance and disaster relief preparedness to military policing, medical readiness, maintenance of vehicles and civil engineering capacity building.

STRATEGIC GOALS

- Goal 1:** Obtain and sustain comprehensive "right now" mission readiness
- Goal 2:** Train to and consistently meet the One Army and Air Force standard
- Goal 3:** Build innovative leaders at all levels with active talent management
- Goal 4:** Become widely known for discipline, professionalism and success

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JOINT TASK FORCE – DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Joint Task Force-District of Columbia (JTF-DC), is an element of the District of Columbia National Guard. It leverages unique National Guard capabilities to support a wide range of challenging federal and community incidents. It usually is constituted as part of a larger local or federal effort to prepare for or react to an emerging situation, including National Special Security Events.

MULTI-AGENCY AUGMENTATION COMMAND

The Multi-Agency Augmentation Command (MAC) is a command aligned under the District of Columbia Army National Guard. It provides trained personnel for staff augmentation and operational support to Headquarters, Department of the Army, Operations Center, the Alternate Army Operations Center, the Domestic Operations Support Division, the National Guard Coordination Center, Army National Guard Domestic Operation Center, National Guard Bureau – Legislative Liaison and other operations centers in support of routine, national crisis or wartime requirements. The MAC also supports National Special Security Events and the State of the Union Address. As required, the command provides staff capability packages to augment the JTF-DC for Domestic Support to Civil Authorities operations.

113TH WING, AIR NATIONAL GUARD



The 113th Wing, District of Columbia Air National Guard is located at Joint Base Andrews, Md. The 113th Wing is the air component of the District of Columbia National Guard. As the only federal National Guard unit, its chain of command extends from the President of

the United States, through the Secretary of the Army, to the Commanding General, D.C. National Guard.

The 113th Wing fiercely defends the National Capitol Region with an unrivaled F-16 fighter aircraft 24/7 Aerospace Control Alert force and provides domestic operation capabilities in support of the District of Columbia.

The 113th Wing engages globally through exceptional C-40 airlift for national leaders and provides lethal fighter aircraft and agile combat support forces for Combatant Commanders.



QUICK FACTS

- Headquarters: 2001 East Capital Street SE, Washington, D.C. 20003
- Number of Soldiers: 1,350
- Number of Airmen: 1,100
- Aircraft: F-16 Fighting Falcon, C-40 (civilian equivalent: Boeing 737), Fairchild C-26E Metroliner
- Helicopters: Sikorsky UH-60 Black Hawk and the Eurocopter UH-72 Lakota

COUNTERDRUG PROGRAM

The DCNG Counterdrug Program conducts a full-spectrum campaign that bridges the gap between Department of Defense and non-DoD institutions in the fight against illicit drugs. The program centers around three pillars:

1. Assist community-based organizations to better educate the community.
2. Assist in criminal intelligence gathering and information sharing.
3. Disrupt the drug market by supporting arrest operations.



PROTECTING THE CAPITAL AND DEFENDING THE NATION SINCE 1802