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Executive Summary

Created in 2011 under Florida Statute 288.987, the Florida Defense Support Task Force (FDSTF) held its first meetings in January 2011. Legislation allows the Task Force 13 members – four members appointed by the Governor (in addition to 1 personal representative), four members appointed by the Senate, and four members appointed by the House of Representatives. Legislative Task Force members will serve until the end of their elected terms and may be reappointed once, while non-legislative appointments are for four years. All of the Governor's previous appointments remained on the Task Force at the beginning of the year: Commissioner Barbara Stewart, Admiral Mark Fitzgerald, USN (Ret), and Amy Gowder continue to serve while Representative Holly Raschein's term ended on November 6, 2018 creating a vacancy. The Governor's designated personal representative remains Major General Michael Calhoun, USA, the Adjutant General. All four Senate appointments remain on the Task Force: Senator Doug Broxson, Mr. Tom Neubauer, Lt Col William Dudley, USAF (retired) and Maj Gen Richard Haddad, USAF (retired). The Speaker of the House retained all four members at the beginning of 2018: Brigadier General Chip Diehl, USAF (retired), Representative Jay Trumbull, Representative Clay Ingram, and CW5 Derrick Fritts, US Army National Guard. Chief Fritts resigned on March 10, 2018 due to continued military commitments that precluded his attendance, creating a vacancy that was filled by Colonel Jim Heald, USAF (retired) on August 27, 2018 who will serve until August 26, 2022. Representative Ingram termed out on November 6, 2018 creating a new vacancy. Senator Doug Broxson served as the Chair from July 2017 through June 2018 and Representative Jay Trumbull assumed the Chairmanship in July 2018. Mr. Tom Neubauer remains the Vice Chair.

The FDSTF mission is to make recommendations to preserve and protect military installations, to support the state's position in research and development related to or arising out of military missions and contracting, and to improve the state's military-friendly environment for service members, military dependents, military retirees, and businesses that bring military and base-related jobs to the state.

The FDSTF replaced the Florida Council on Military Bases and Mission Support which was created under Florida Statute 288.984. The Council has been deleted from Florida Statute. The FDSTF received a FY 2018-2019 appropriation of \$2 million to protect, preserve, promote and grow Florida military installations and missions.

The Task Force provides weekly email updates for its members. The Task Force developed an initial strategic plan to guide its actions in protecting Florida's military installations dated April 23, 2012. This plan is updated regularly, most recently in March 2018. The Task Force plans to update this strategic plan again in 2019. The most recent version of the strategic plan is posted on the Task Force web site and at Tab 3.

The Florida Defense Support Task Force met 10 times during 2018. The Task Force held

meetings in February, April, August and October by conference call and met in-person for six meetings that included tours of military installations (when available) including:

January	Tallahassee FL
March	Jacksonville FL – Naval Air Station Jacksonville
May	Tallahassee FL
July	Homestead FL – Homestead Air Reserve Base
September	Fort Walton Beach FL – Hurlburt Field
November	Cocoa Beach FL – Cape Canaveral Air Force Station

The Florida Defense Support Task Force web site has been operational since August 2012. It has been helpful in publicizing meeting times and locations. Additionally, this site displays the award of funding grants along with copies of agenda and minutes from Task Force meetings, budget information and weekly Task Force updates. The address for the web site is:

www.enterpriseflorida.com/fdstf

The Task Force published the 2017 Florida Defense Factbook in December 2017 based on the Economic Impact Analysis Study conducted by Matrix Inc. The Factbook can be downloaded from the Task Force web site at: <http://www.enterpriseflorida.com/wp-content/uploads/Florida-Defense-Factbook-2017.pdf>. A copy is enclosed at Tab 8.

The Task Force published the 2018 Florida Military Friendly Guide in July 2018 with additions from the 2018 state legislative session. This guide contains a summary of the Florida laws that benefit active duty, National Guard and Reserve service members and their families. It has been distributed throughout the state and to the Florida Congressional delegation. The guide can be downloaded from the Task Force web site at: <http://www.enterpriseflorida.com/wp-content/uploads/Florida-Military-Friendly-Guide.pdf>. A copy is enclosed at Tab 9.

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Governing Florida Statutes

The Florida Defense Support Task Force was established under Florida Statute 288.987 and operates under a Sunshine exemption in F.S. 288.985. See Tab 1.

Appointments

Membership on the Task Force is outlined in Florida Statute 288.987. Statute allows the Task Force to maintain up to 13 members. Task Force members who are members of the legislature may serve until the end of their elected terms and non-legislators may serve a four-year term. All of the Governor's previous appointments remained on the Task Force at the beginning of the year: Commissioner Barbara Stewart, Admiral Mark Fitzgerald, USN (retired), and Amy Gowder continue to serve while Representative Holly Raschein's term ended on November 6, 2018 creating a vacancy. The Governor's designated personal representative remains Major General Michael Calhoun, USA, the Adjutant General. All four Senate appointments remain on the Task Force: Senator Doug Broxson, Mr. Tom Neubauer, Lt Col William Dudley, USAF (retired) and Maj Gen Richard Haddad, USAF (retired). The Speaker of the House retained all four members at the beginning of 2018: Brigadier General Chip Diehl, USAF (retired), Representative Jay Trumbull, Representative Clay Ingram, and CW5 Derrick Fritts, US Army National Guard. Chief Fritts resigned on March 10, 2018 due to continued military commitments that precluded his attendance, creating a vacancy that was filled by Colonel Jim Heald, USAF (retired) on August 27, 2018 who will serve until August 26, 2022. Representative Ingram termed out on November 6, 2018 creating a new vacancy. Senator Doug Broxson served as the Chair from July 2017 through June 2018 and Representative Jay Trumbull assumed the Chairmanship in July 2018. Mr. Tom Neubauer remains the Vice Chair. See Tab 2.

Funding

The FDSTF received an FY 2018-2019 appropriation of \$2 million to protect, preserve, promote and grow Florida military installations and missions. The Task Force may annually utilize up to \$250,000 of funds appropriated for Task Force staffing and administrative expenses. Enterprise Florida, Inc. (EFI) has the role of administrative and logistical support. The Task Force approved the annual budget for FY 18-19. This approved budget and a complete Task Force budget summary including contract obligations are included at the end of this report at Tabs 7 and 8.

Task Force Reports

The Task Force is required to submit an annual report and work plan to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by February 1st of each year.

Task Force Strategic Plan

The Task Force actions are guided by its Strategic Plan. This plan is a living document and evolves in response to unfolding events. This plan was updated regularly, most recently in March 2018. The most recent version of the strategic plan is posted on the Task Force website. The current version adjusts the Task Force goals to reflect the changing national defense budgets and its impact on Florida's military missions and installations. The Task Force plans to update this plan again in 2019. See Tab 3 for the current plan.

Task Force Meetings

The Florida Defense Support Task Force met 10 times during 2018; six meetings in person and four by conference call. All meeting materials including agenda, presentations and minutes are available on our website at <https://www.enterpriseflorida.com/fdstf/meetings/>. A summary of all 2018 Task Force meetings is included below.

January 18, 2018 – Tallahassee

Senator Doug Broxson, Task Force Chairman, welcomed attendees and guests to the meeting, thanked Veterans Florida for attending the dinner and praised both Veterans Florida and the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs (FDVA) for their good work on behalf of Florida's veterans. He then turned the meeting over to Vice Chairman, Mr. Tom Neubauer as he had to depart for committee meetings at the Capital. Ms. Marcy Muldrow-Sanders, Task Force Grant Manager, provided an update on the Task Force grants and budget. Mr. Bobby Carbonell, the Executive Director of Veterans Florida, provided a presentation to the Task Force on current programs and operations. Task Force members provided updates on events, activities and issues impacting military installations around the state. LTG David Huntoon of The Principi Group briefed the Task Force on current military and defense issues in Washington and their impact on Florida. Ms. Kellie Jo Kilberg, Chair of the Florida Defense Alliance (FDA), provided a comprehensive report. Mr. Terry McCaffrey reported that the draft of the Annual Report was sent out to Task Force members earlier in the month for review. Input was received and incorporated into the report. With no further discussion, the Task Force voted to approve the report to be sent to the Governor and Legislature IAW Florida Law. Mr. Steve Murray, FDVA, provided a presentation on current activity and operations at the Department. Next, Mr. Jim Woods, Florida Department of Transportation, presented a list of 14 road projects over \$1 million which are within a mile of military installations and led a discussion on these projects with Task Force members. Finally, the Task Force conducted an afternoon closed session meeting to discuss advocacy strategy involving base strengths and weaknesses connected to protecting, preserving and enhancing Florida's military installations.

February 15, 2018 – Conference Call

Chairman, Senator Doug Broxson welcomed attendees and guests. Staff provided an update on the Task Force grants and budget remaining for FY18. Ms. Marcy Sanders reported that currently \$110,160.00 remains unencumbered for the FY2017-2018 budget. Staff recommended encumbering \$100,000.00 into Program Expenses and to leave the remaining \$10,160.00 to cover any unexpected expenses prior to 6/30/18. The Task Force voted to commit \$100,000.00 in unencumbered FY2017-2018 funds toward early grant awards for two FY2018-2019 applicants by inviting the South Florida Defense Alliance and the Greater Pensacola Chamber of Commerce to present at the March 2018 Task Force Meeting for possible early funding. Task Force members provided updates on events, activities and issues impacting military installations around the state. Secretary Anthony Principi of The Principi Group briefed the Task Force on current military and defense issues in Washington and their impact on Florida. Mr. John Patrick Walsh, Florida Washington Office, reported on the National Governors' Winter Meeting which will include the Council of Governors Session. Mr. Bruce Grant, Vice President for Military and Defense Programs, reporting for the Florida Defense Alliance (FDA), noted that the FDA conference call held on January 30th focused on several issues including energy resiliency. They are assisting the Base Commanders to work with their local energy providers to help with those issues. The next

FDA meeting will be on Wednesday, March 21st in Jacksonville. Several FDA members attended the Association of Defense Community Conference in California this week. A record number of people attended this event and Florida communities represented were Bay County, Escambia County, Okaloosa County, Miami, Tampa and the Space Coast. Mr. Terry McCaffrey discussed that a draft of the Strategic Plan was sent out to defense communities and FDA contacts at bases shortly after The Principi Group conducted the 2017 re-SWOT. Input from those sources has been incorporated into the draft and it will be sent out to Task Force members early next week for review. The final draft will be up for approval at the March meeting in Jacksonville. Finally, Mr. Bruce Grant reported on the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) meeting in Tallahassee on February 8th regarding the drilling issue in the Gulf. Bruce Grant, Terry McCaffrey and Kellie Jo Kilberg attended and provided input on the impact of exploration and drilling in the eastern Gulf. BOEM's process shows availability after 2022, so it's important for Florida to have the moratorium extended in the next Congress.

March 22, 2018 – Jacksonville

Chairman, Senator Doug Broxson welcomed attendees and guests. CAPT Aaron Bowman, City of Jacksonville, welcomed the Task Force to Jacksonville and gave a brief overview of what the military means to northeast Florida. Staff provided an update on the Task Force grants and budget remaining for FY18. Mr. Terry McCaffrey discussed changes to this year's Strategic Plan revision. Information from the re-SWOT performed by The Principi Group has been incorporated while the items which have been completed have been removed. Input from both TF members and military communities has also been incorporated. After discussion, the Task Force voted to approve the 2018 Strategic Plan. Task Force members provided updates on events, activities and issues impacting military installations around the state. Secretary Anthony Principi of The Principi Group briefed the Task Force on current military and defense issues in Washington and their impact on Florida. Ms. Kellie Jo Kilberg, Chair of the Florida Defense Alliance (FDA), updated the Task Force on the FDA meeting conducted the day prior. Of note, Ms. Kilberg mentioned the huge concern the FDA has on the extension of the ban on oil drilling in the Gulf of Mexico. The Gulf Range is one of the foundational pieces of the Florida Range Network and is very important to all military services in the nation and a key to the National Defense Strategy. FDA is planning to create a task force to delve deeper into this issue and work with the FDSTF on developing better talking points and creating a professional marketing piece on what the range means to the state of Florida. Ms. Callie DeHaven, Division of State Lands, Florida Department of Environmental Protection, provided a presentation on possibilities and partnerships regarding base buffering lands and encroachment. RDML Dan Kloeppe, Corporate America Supports You (CASY), presented on his organization. CASY is a free service which places military members, veterans, spouses and families in good-paying civilian jobs. The Task Force also heard two FY2019 grant application presentations early to award remaining FY2018 funds. The Task Force had \$110,000.00 in FY18 funds plus approximately \$570,000.00 in remaining prior year dollars including returned unused prior year grant funds also available to be utilized. Presenters were provided 15 minutes each to present their grant applications to the Task Force followed by a question and answer period. The maximum amount that could be awarded was \$680,000.00. The grant presenters were as follows:

- Greater Pensacola Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Debi Graham and Mr. Steve Opalenik, requested \$73,700.00 for a Corry Station Area Traffic Feasibility Study.
- South Florida Defense Alliance (Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce), Steve

Williamson, COL, US Army (Ret), requested \$152,500.00 to complete the stand-up of the organization tasked to unite and champion regional defense issues.

After hearing the presentations, the Task Force conducted an afternoon closed session meeting to discuss advocacy strategy involving base strengths and weaknesses connected to protecting, preserving and enhancing Florida's military installations. The Task Force reconvened and voted to award the grant requests at the below levels:

- Greater Pensacola Chamber – Not funded. Task Force asked them to re-evaluate the tasks and possibly present again in May.
- South Florida Defense Alliance for \$140,000.00

Following the meeting, the Task Force conducted a tour of Naval Air Station Jacksonville including the Fleet Readiness Center (FRC) and the new MQ-4 Triton Squadron.

April 19, 2018 – Conference Call

Chairman, Senator Doug Broxson welcomed attendees and guests. Ms. Marcy Muldrow-Sanders provided an update on the status of current Task Force grants. Task Force members provided updates on events, activities and issues impacting military installations around the state. Secretary Anthony Principi of The Principi Group briefed the Task Force on current military and defense issues in Washington and their impact on Florida. Mr. John Patrick Walsh, from the State of Florida Washington Office, provided additional insights from Washington DC focused on state of Florida issues including recent work at the Council of Governors on issues mainly revolving around the recent storm response and what roles the National Guard, Homeland Security and FEMA play in that response. Ms. Kellie Jo Kilberg, Chair of the Florida Defense Alliance (FDA), updated the Task Force on the FDA. Ms. Marcy Sanders presented the draft FY 2018-2019 Task Force budget. Total revenue is \$2,289,182.00 which includes the \$2 million appropriation plus past years' forfeited grantee funds that had not been reprogrammed. She reminded the TF that The Principi Group contract is set to expire on February 28, 2019 and that any new advocacy contract will need to be re-bid. It is estimated that \$1,368,254.44 will be available for the grant program for presentations heard at the May 2018 meeting. Bruce Grant reported on military and defense friendly legislation that came out of the 2018 session. Finally, Mr. Terry McCaffrey reviewed the Task Force grant program / process to ensure Task Force members would be prepared for the presentations to be heard at the May meeting in Tallahassee.

May 17, 2018 – Tallahassee

Chairman, Senator Doug Broxson welcomed attendees and guests. Ms. Marcy Sanders provided an update on the Task Force grants and remaining Task Force budget. In addition, Ms. Sanders briefly discussed the FY 2018-2019 Task Force budget noting that there is approximately \$1.3 million to consider for grant applications presented today. This includes the \$2 million as appropriated by the Legislature in addition to the funds made available from those unencumbered and forfeited by previous grant recipients. After discussion, the Task Force voted to approve the FY 2018-2019 budget. Task Force members provided updates on events, activities and issues impacting military installations around the state. Mr. John Patrick Walsh, from the State of Florida Washington Office, provided an update on what is going on in Washington that affects the state. Secretary Anthony Principi and LTG David Huntoon of the Principi Group also briefed the Task Force on current military and defense issues in Washington and their impact on Florida. Dr. Bruce Grant provided additional information on Military and Defense issues of interest to the Task Force. During public comment, Kent Wimmer, Defenders of Wildlife, advised that the Air

Force has asked the Defenders of Wildlife to prepare a Sentinel Landscape application for Northwest Florida with Eglin AFB being the anchor installation. They are currently collecting information to support the submittal of an application for Sentinel Landscape designation. There were five grant applications selected for presentation. Applicants were provide 15 minutes each to present their grant proposals to the Task Force followed by a question and answer period for presenters. The maximum amount to be awarded was \$1,340,000.00. The grant presenters were as follows:

- Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Jennifer Codo-Salisbury and Buck MacLaughlin, requested \$90,000 for a Sentinel Landscape Priority Action Plan at Avon Park Air Force Range.
- Polk County, Gaye Sharpe, requested \$500,000 for encroachment prevention and sustainability of the Avon Park Air Force Range.
- Clay County Development Authority, Josh Cockrell, requested \$500,000 for the Camp Blanding Joint Training Center installation encroachment acquisition.
- Bay County Board of County Commissioners, Chris Moore, requested \$120,000 for the Expeditionary Innovation Center (EXWERX).
- Gulf Coast State College, Loretta Costin, requested \$144,000 for an Environment Impact Study scoping strategy for the Tyndall AFB/MQ-9 mission.

After hearing the presentations, the Task Force conducted an afternoon closed session meeting to discuss advocacy strategy involving base strengths and weaknesses connected to protecting, preserving and enhancing Florida's military installations. The Task Force reconvened and voted to award the following five grant requests for a total of \$1,329,000.00:

- Polk County for \$500,000
- Clay County for \$500,000
- Bay County Board of County Commissioners for \$95,000
- Central Florida Regional Planning Council for \$90,000
- Gulf Coast State College for \$144,000

July 19, 2018 – Homestead

Vice Chairman, Mr. Tom Neubauer, welcomed attendees and guests. He noted that the House of Representatives has recently appointed Representative Jay Trumbull as the new Chair of the Task Force and thanked Senator Doug Broxson for his valuable service as Chair over the past year. Mr. Kurt Kadel, South Dade Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee (MAC) Chairman, welcomed the TF members and guests to Homestead. He spoke of how the community, the Military Affairs Committee (MAC) and the Homestead Air Reserve Base (HARB) work together in South Dade County. Ms. Marcy Sanders provided an update on the Task Force grants including DTF 17-161, Clay County Development Authority, who is requesting an extension due to unforeseen circumstances in closing two parcels previously identified in the original grant application and a second parcel approved in the subsequent amendment #1. They have identified two parcels, which have willing sellers that may be closed in the next six to nine months. These parcels have been moved to Priority 2 and they are looking to close on the approximately 2,200 acres in October 2018. They are requesting the grant be extended to April 30, 2019. The Task Force voted to approve the extension. Task Force members provided updates on events, activities and issues impacting military installations around the state. Secretary Anthony Principi of the

Principi Group briefed the Task Force on current military and defense issues in Washington and their impact on Florida. Ms. Kellie Jo Kilberg, Chair of the Florida Defense Alliance (FDA), provided a report on current activities of the FDA including current work on the agendas for the upcoming conference call on Thursday, August 23rd and the in-person meeting in Cocoa Beach on Wednesday, November 14th. Ms. Sanders discussed the FY 19-20 Task Force Grant Application noting changes that have been voted on and approved at prior meetings. It was noted that the new FY19-20 application cycle will run from August 1-30, 2018. Mr. Will Leahy, South Florida Defense Alliance Interim Director, provided a discussion on the progression toward meeting the goals of the South Florida Defense Alliance. Mr. Terry McCaffrey announced the completion of the 2018 Military Friendly Guides. Each Task Force member received a copy and he reported that most of the distribution has been completed with the remainder being sent out next week. The guide is also available online. Mr. McCaffrey also presented a draft of the proposed 2019 Task Force meeting dates and locations which will be voted on and approved at the next meeting. The overview also included a positive discussion regarding having a Task Force meeting in Washington, DC next year. Dr. Bruce Grant congratulated Tampa which was designated a Great American Defense Community at the most recent Association of Defense Communities (ADC) Conference. He provided the Task Force with a paper which summarized topics at the last ADC conference and announced that the next Installation Innovation Forum will be held in Miami, March 4-6, 2019. Finally, the Task Force conducted an afternoon closed session meeting to discuss advocacy strategy involving base strengths and weaknesses connected to protecting, preserving and enhancing Florida's military installations. Following the meeting, the Task Force conducted a tour of HARB including old maintenance facilities and open ramp space on the airfield.

August 16, 2018 – Conference Call

Chairman, Representative Jay Trumbull welcomed attendees and guests. Staff provided an update on the Task Force grants and remaining Task Force budget. In addition to other grant reports, DTF #19-102, Central Florida Regional Planning Council, noted they would like to transfer ownership of the grant to the Highlands County Board of County Commissioners. Noting that the scope of the work would remain the same, the Task Force approved the change. Task Force members provided updates on events, activities and issues impacting military installations around the state. Mr. Greg Kiley of the Principi Group briefed the Task Force on current military and defense issues in Washington and their impact on Florida. Mr. John Patrick Walsh, from the State of Florida Washington Office, reported on issues of interest to Florida Governor's office in Washington DC. Dr. Bruce Grant provided a report on current activities of the FDA. Ms. Katie Hogan, Business Development Manager of Aviation/Aerospace and Defense, Enterprise Florida, Inc., provided a presentation on Enterprise Florida's role in working to bring businesses to Florida and to help them to succeed once they've established. Mr. Terry McCaffrey reported that the current advocacy contract expires February 28, 2019 and staff is beginning the process to rebid that contract. This process begins with a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to be released on September 1, 2018. Finally, Mr. McCaffrey briefly discussed the 2019 Task Force meeting location schedule which was approved by the Task Force.

September 20, 2018 – Ft Walton Beach

The Task Force conducted a closed session Strategic Planning Workshop focused on the potential future of Military and Defense Programs in the state of Florida. Following the workshop, the Task

Force conducted a tour of Hurlburt Field.

October 18, 2018 – Conference Call

The Task Force convened a public conference call led by the Vice Chairman, Mr. Tom Neubauer. Marcy Sanders provided a report on the status of Task Force Grants. DTF #16-154, Greater Pensacola Chamber of Commerce - Naval Air Station Pensacola Directional Signage was discussed due to changes that required Task Force approval. After bids for the original plan were received, it was determined that the fees had increased significantly placing the initial plan out of cost range. The County Public Works department refocused efforts on identifying locations along County roads where additional signs would still be of great benefit but not require the additional expenses of engineering and manufacturing overhead structures. After discussion, the Task Force approved the change. Task Force members provided updates on events, activities and issues impacting military installations around the state. Secretary Anthony Principi of the Principi Group briefed the Task Force on current military and defense issues in Washington and their impact on Florida. Ms. Kellie Jo Kilberg, Chair of the Florida Defense Alliance (FDA), gave an update of FDA activities since the last meeting and briefed the Task Force on the upcoming FDA meeting scheduled for November 14, 2018 in Cocoa Beach, Florida. Ms. Marcy Sanders discussed that the grant application window that was opened during the month of August 2018. There were six applications submitted worth a total of \$1,616,000.00. Terry McCaffrey discussed the forecasted FY2020 budget based on a possible \$2 million appropriated to the Task Force to see if the Task Force would like to ask for additional funds in the upcoming Legislative Session. The Staff did not recommend a request for increased funding during this next Legislative Session. Bruce Grant discussed the yearly Military Base Protection process where base commanders around the state identify those non-conservation lands, which includes any land that is not on the Florida Forever list. After being collected by the Department of Economic Opportunity, the list is provided to the Task Force for prioritization. Staff will provide the Task Force a recommended list to approve or modify at the November meeting. During public comment, CMSgt Craig Deatherage, USAF (Ret) and Military Liaison to Congressman Neal Dunn's Office, commented that Congressman Neal Dunn, with the support of Congressman Matt Gaetz and others, is working on a bi-partisan full Florida Delegation letter to request support for the rebuild of Tyndall AFB. Dr. Dunn is on site at the Emergency Operations Center in Bay County where he has been living and working since Hurricane Mathew struck. He remains much attuned to Tyndall AFB and should be visiting on Sunday with Congressman McCarthy to garner further support for the rebuild. He also noted that this is a wonderful opportunity to discuss an intelligent rebuild of Tyndall AFB with the MQ-9 beddown as one of the discussion items rather than the prior semi-piecemeal plan to bring the MQ-9 in and fit it in around existing missions. We have an opportunity to begin a discussion with the Air Force about an intelligent redesign of the base which will be even more sustainable for those missions.

November 15, 2018 – Cocoa Beach

Chairman, Representative Jay Trumbull welcomed attendees and guests. Ms. Trudy McCarthy, Senior Director Marketing & Strategic Initiatives, Economic Development Commission of Florida's Space Coast, welcomed the Task Force to Cocoa Beach. She provided a briefing about the importance of the military to the Space Coast and thanked the Task Force and the State of Florida for the tremendous support provided to date. Mr. Terry McCaffrey reported on the Task Force Grant program for Ms. Marcy Sanders who could not attend. Mr. Bruce Grant provided a

discussion on the prioritization of 20 non-conservation parcels nominated by 13 installations for the Military Base Protection Program. Following the discussion the Task Force voted to approve the list in three tiers which will be sent back to the Governor and DEO for presentation to the Board of Trustees for possible acquisition. Task Force members provided updates on events, activities and issues impacting military installations around the state. Mr. John Patrick Walsh from the Florida–Washington Office reported on activities in Washington D.C. primarily concerned with ongoing Mid-term election recount. Secretary Anthony Principi of the Principi Group briefed the Task Force on current military and defense issues in Washington and their impact on Florida. Ms. Kellie Jo Kilberg, Chair of the Florida Defense Alliance (FDA), relayed important outcomes from the semi-annual FDA meeting which was held the day prior. Mr. Jim Kuzma, Senior VP and General Manager at Space Florida, provided an update of space activities happening on the Space Coast. Of note is the large increase in space launch activity this year that included 21 launches to date and is forecast to conduct 48 next year. Following the completion of the public meeting, the Task Force conducted an afternoon closed session meeting to discuss advocacy strategy involving base strengths and weaknesses connected to protecting, preserving and enhancing Florida’s military installations. Following the meeting, the Task Force conducted a tour Cape Canaveral Air Force Station including viewing several military launch facilities and an actual SpaceX Falcon 9 launch.

Activities/Achievements

Task Force’s activities and achievements for 2018 include:

1. One new Task Force member was appointed and assumed duties in 2018. New Task Force Chair, Representative Jay Trumbull, assumed duties from Senator Doug Broxson in July 2018. See Tab 2.
2. The Task Force conducted 10 meetings and visited military bases around the state during 2018. The Task Force conducted the March 2018 and November 2018 meetings in coordination with the Florida Defense Alliance (FDA) to ensure the voice of local defense communities are considered and included in Task Force decisions. Additionally, it has continued implementation of its long range strategic plan for actions to protect, preserve and enhance Florida’s military installations. This plan was updated in March 2018. The current Strategic Plan is available at Tab 3.
3. The Task Force approved the budget for FY 2018-2019. During calendar year 2018 the Task Force awarded an additional grant using FY18 funds increasing the total for FY18 funds awarded to \$540,000. The Task Force awarded five grants using FY19 funds combined with returned prior year funds totaling \$1,329,000,000. See Tab 4.
4. **Installation Encroachment Prevention:** The Task Force continued work with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) and the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to acquire “Tier 1” non-conservation buffering lands adjacent to military installations. Although the Task Force engagement with the Military Base Protection (MBP) program has been very successful in the past, we were unable to acquire the northern 10 acres of the Florida Rock property. However, due to Task Force engagement with Base Commanders and the Governor’s Office in early 2018, we were able to stop

incompatible development of a shopping area off the northern end of the runway. With no funding being added to the MBP program in the last several years, ability to support the new needs of Florida's bases is limited. The Task Force has continued to advocate for the extension on the moratorium on oil exploration and drilling east of the Military Mission Line by extending the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act beyond 2022. The Task Force has produced and supplied Military and Defense informational publications, letters and briefs to new Congressional Delegation members on Florida defense issues relevant in Washington DC as well as to new chairs and members of the Florida Legislature committees that deal with military and veterans' affairs. In addition, Task Force support spurred resolutions in both the Florida House and Senate the support permanent extension of the MML in the 2018 Session (HB319 and SB550).

5. **New DoD Force Structure in Florida:** Although Congress has not authorized a Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission since 2005, the services have continued to relocate assets and missions "under the radar". Hurlburt Field gained a MQ-9 (drone) unit for Special Operation. In addition, the stand-up of DoD's second major Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA) program in north Florida could make the state an important hub for RPA industry expansion. After Tyndall AFB was virtually destroyed in October by Hurricane Michael, a significant effort by the Task Force, the Florida CODEL and Governor's Office led to a commitment to completely rebuild the base into a modern facility that will be the base of the future we need rather than the World War II era base we were modifying to except new missions. These statewide "under the radar" force structure changes increase the military value of the specific installations, support additional need to enhance the Gulf Range Complex, and reduce the risk of future closure to these Florida bases.
6. **Military and Defense Advocacy:** The Task Force has supported actions that will lead to increasing military capability in Florida. The Task Force continued to advocate for extension of the moratorium on oil drilling and exploration east of the Military Mission Line in the eastern Gulf of Mexico in order to prevent encroachment on the Gulf testing and training range. The Task Force has produced and supplied Military and Defense informational publications, letters and briefs to new Congressional Delegation members on Florida defense issues relevant in Washington DC as well as to new chairs and members of the Florida Legislature committees that deal with military and veterans' affairs. Utilizing our recently updated 2017 Strengths Weaknesses Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) assessment and the December 2017 National Security Strategy, the Task Force supported actions to protect, preserve, and promote military capability in Florida.
 - a. In response to an early January 2018 Trump Administration announcement that it would open both east and west coasts to future oil drilling opportunities, the Task Force helped coordinate a written response in protest from the Florida Governor and congressional delegation. Throughout the year, the Task Force met with senior Department of Defense and Interior officials, with congressional delegation staff, and hosted several instate roundtables to coordinate strategy in support of the prohibition on drilling east of the military mission line in the Gulf of Mexico. Of continuing importance to Florida with respect to the military is to keep the current ban in place.

- b. In February, the Northwest Florida Defense Coalition held a Fly-In to Washington, DC, and Task Force personnel and the Principi Group spoke with the attendees. Attendees met with congressional delegation leaders expressing continued support for Gulf Range Enhancement program and for a robust military construction program.
- c. During the 2018 Florida Legislative Session, the Florida House and Senate unanimously passed resolutions (HR 0319 and SR 0550) in support of extending the moratorium on oil drilling and exploration east of the Military Mission Line.
- d. The Task Force's March meeting in Jacksonville included a tour and discussion with leadership at Naval Air Station, Jacksonville and the Fleet Readiness Center Southeast (FRCSE). Due to the visit, the Task Force became aware of issues at FRCSE that limits its ability to do its mission and could reduce the amount of work done at the facility, ultimately reducing the military value of NAS Jacksonville. Following our visit, Task Force members engaged with the City of Jacksonville resulting in an ongoing initiative with the Navy, the city and the Airport Authority to improve facilities at the FRCSE.
- e. In July the Task Force supported Congressman Matt Gaetz (FL-01) Congressional Field Hearing recognizing the vital impact of Naval Air Station Whiting Field to national defense by providing two panel members who testified to the importance of Whiting Field.
- f. In supporting a robust military construction program for Florida, the Administration budget called for \$177 million for five projects across the State. Congress then added an additional \$81 million for 4 additional projects – two at Patrick AFB, and one each at Eglin AFB and Whiting Field NAS. The Task Force monitored and supported these through final authorization and appropriation.
- g. Throughout the year, the Task Force tracked and provided input on numerous pieces of federal legislation being developed for the annual National Defense Authorization Act and Federal Appropriations, including a land conveyance around Eglin Air Force Base, military housing in Key West, and space launch infrastructure on Florida's Space Coast.
- h. Naval Air Station Pensacola is the home to the Naval Air Museum and Fort Barrancas National Cemetery that together see more than a million visitors annually making the base one of the top ten tourist attractions in Florida. Due to federal rules and security concerns, the Navy was in a bind providing access to these important national treasures and public attractions. Task Force engagement with the Florida Congressional Delegation contributed to NDAA language sponsored by Rep Matt Gaetz in the 2019 NDAA Sec. 6803 which requires a plan to allow increased public access to both attractions.

- i. In October, as Hurricane Michael hit Florida, the Task Force mobilized its team to engage senior leadership within the State and Federal government, Office of the Secretary of Defense, and the Air Force. The Task Force, local Florida House and Senate members and selected community partners toured the devastation at Tyndall Air Force Base just days after the storm and remained active in ensuring federal level follow-up and commitment to rebuild. Those supporting Tyndall included Congressman Dunn, Senator Gainer, Task Force members including Chair Representative Trumbull, Senator Broxson, Tom Neubauer and Jim Heald as well as representatives from the Florida Defense Alliance, local community leaders and a representative of the Principi Group.
- j. Through our long standing and productive relationship with The Principi Group (TPG), the Task Force maintained its advocacy efforts on behalf of Florida's military installations for key decision makers in Washington D.C. Throughout 2018, on behalf of the Task Force, TPG:
 - i. Conducted bi-weekly conference calls that included Task Force staff, the State of Florida Washington office, and the Department of Military Affairs, as well as monthly TPG reports to the Task Force on their team's work.
 - ii. Visited to every major military installation statewide, including Avon Park Air Force Range, NAS Key West, Tyndall AFB, Naval Support Activity Panama City, Team Orlando, MacDill AFB, Homestead ARB, Eglin AFB, Patrick AFB, Cape Canaveral AFS, Camp Blanding, Corry Station, NAS Pensacola, NS Mayport, Jacksonville to include the ANG Base and FL NG JFHQs in St Augustine, and US SOUTHCOM to continually assess and help tell the stories of each installation command and supporting community.
 - iii. Using the 2017 Re-SWOT we continually reviewed our rankings and metrics at the major bases across Florida to ensure the assessment was current. We also focused in our monthly reporting on the recommendations of the Re-SWOT which served as the basis to implement the FDSTF Strategic Plan.
 - iv. Attended and reported back to the Task Force from numerous conferences that provide most recent thinking and policies of Administration leadership and best practices of communities in support of the military. Included were three Association of Defense Communities conferences, DoD's Sustaining Readiness conference, and three annual military service's national conferences.
 - v. Obtained and reported back to the Task Force on recently released congressional, DoD and Service's reports including: annual NDAA drafts; DOD Report Preserving Military Readiness in the Eastern Gulf of Mexico; Air Force Assessment of Air Force Test Centers; June 25 MOU between DoD and DOI on Endangered Species Act; Report on Transportation Infrastructure Critical to Eastern Range Spacelift Operations; and the

National Defense Commission Report.

- vi. Provided continuous discussions and updates on the needs of the Florida's military bases and communities to major Federal stakeholders from Capitol Hill, the Department of Defense and other federal agencies, each of the Service Headquarters, and the three Major Combatant Commands located in Florida. Of note we doubled the number of Congressional meetings with the State's Military Legislative Assistants across the delegation. At each meeting we provided copies of the Re-SWOT and highlighted each member's assessment in our conversation and the best way ahead to improve the posture of the base or installation. We also spoke to each of the MLAs with whom we visited about the way ahead for a resolution of the tension of the Gulf Range Complex mission and the potential for encroachment from off shore drilling. Provided complete formal updates on these major topic areas and pressing issues to every new member of the Task Force in a year of major turnover across the state within the FDSTF. All those efforts were reported out to the Task Force at monthly FDSTF meetings and to all 2018 meetings of the Florida Defense Alliance.
 - vii. Conducted several non-scheduled, event-driven meetings with local community and installation leaders regarding issues such as: F-35 Basing (Jacksonville FLANG), Oil Drilling in the Gulf and Eglin Range sustainment and enhancement (Fort Walton Beach with FDSTF Member Jim Heald) and Hurricane Michael's impact (Panama City).
 - viii. As the 2018 calendar year closes The Principi group stewardship has brought in the current contract \$4,717 under budget.
7. The Florida Defense Support Task Force continues to maintain a web site to disseminate military and defense-related information and continues distribution of weekly updates to keep members current on events and activities impacting Florida's military installations available at www.enterpriseflorida.com/fdstf.
 8. In 2018 the Task Force updated a paper documenting the achievements of its work since its inception in 2012. The paper outlines wins in major areas and by installation and is available for review at Tab 5 or go to <https://www.enterpriseflorida.com/wp-content/uploads/Task-Force-Achievements-Paper-2018-.pdf>.
 9. The Task Force maintains the 2017 military and defense economic impact study which is updated every other year. The study showed the economic impact of military and defense in Florida to be more than \$84.9B and accounting for more than 801,747 direct and indirect jobs utilizing 2016 data. Military and defense spending account for approximately 9.2% of Florida's total economy. The economic impact analysis will be updated again in 2019. The 2017 Defense Factbook can be seen at Tab 8 or on the Task Force web site at <http://www.enterpriseflorida.com/wp-content/uploads/Florida-Defense-Factbook-2017.pdf>.

10. The Task Force published and distributed the 2018 Florida Military Friendly Guide summarizing programs and benefits for active duty, National Guard and Reserve service members and families in July 2018. An electronic, searchable version of the guide is available for downloading on the Task Force web site at <https://www.enterpriseflorida.com/wp-content/uploads/Florida-Military-Friendly-Guide-2018.pdf>. See Tab 9.

State Legislative Issues

The 2018 Florida legislative session initiated several actions which affected the statutory mission of the Task Force. Below is a listing of budget issues and legislation initiated or supported by the Florida Defense Support Task Force that passed the Florida Legislature and was signed into law by Governor Scott:

Budget: Approved Florida Defense Support Task Force Budget for FY 2018- 2019 – \$2,000,000: *(Note: Passed by Legislature and signed by Governor)*

Legislation:

Adopted by the Legislature:

HB 319 and SB 550 – Gulf of Mexico Range Complex Resolutions

These resolutions assert the State of Florida must maintain a united front in supporting an extension of the current moratorium on drilling in the Gulf of Mexico east of the Military Mission Line. They support an indefinite extension of the restriction, specified in the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006, oil and gas leasing in all areas east of the Military Mission Line established at 86°41' W. longitude and indefinite extension of the Act's ban oil and gas leasing within 125 miles of the Florida coastline in the Eastern Planning Area and in a portion of the Central Planning Area.

Passed by the Legislature and Signed into Law by the Governor:

The “Don Hahnfeldt Veteran and Military Family Opportunity Act”

The Act eases professional licensing fees and requirements for certain military members, veterans, and their spouses, including:

- For the Department of Health (DOH) professional licensees, granting current DOH fee waivers for dentists, and providing an affirmative defense in certain unlicensed activity actions;
- For the Department of Business and Professional Regulation professional licensees, expanded license renewal fee waivers and revised licensure eligibility requirements; providing an exemption from certain penalties (F.S. 455.02 and F.S. 456.024, F.S.);
- For the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services professional licensees, expanding current initial licensing fee waivers and creating renewal fee waivers (F.S.

472.015, 472.016, 493.6105, 493.6107, 493.6113, 501.015, 501.605, 501.607, 501.609, and 507.03);

- For the Office of Financial Regulation mortgage loan originators and associated persons licensees, creating an initial licensing and renewal fee waivers and provided an exemption from an application fee; authorizing the licensing authority to recognize certain military issued credentials for purposes of licensure (F.S. 494.00312 and 494.00313, 497.140, 497.141, 497.281, 497.368, 497.369, 497.370, 497.371, 497.373, 497.374, and 497.375, 497.393, 497.453, 497.466, 497.554, and 497.602);
- For the Department of Financial Services professional licensees, relief from pre-licensure insurance coursework requirements, and expanding initial licensure fee waivers (F.S. 517.12, 527.02 and 539.001);
- For the Department of Education (DOE) licensees, creating certain initial fee waivers, granting a temporary certificate in education, establishing a pathway for veteran officers for certification as a school principal, waives certain fees and gives students who are children of an active duty member who is not stationed in this state, but whose home of record or state of legal residence is Florida, priority for attendance in the Florida Virtual School (F.S. 446.041, 1012.59 and 1002.37)
- Protects members of Florida National Guard or the United States Armed Forces Reserves seeking licensure or qualification for a trade, occupation, or profession if they are ordered into state active duty or into active duty and his or her period of training, study, apprenticeship, or practical experience is interrupted or the start thereof is delayed, he or she is entitled to licensure or qualification under the laws covering his or her licensure or qualification at the time of entrance into active duty. (F.S. 250.483)
- Designates March 25 of each year as "Medal of Honor Day", and provides for a character development program that incorporates the values of the Congressional Medal of Honor; (F.S. 683.147 and 1002.37);
- And requires the Division of State Fire Marshal to waive certain expenses associated with attending the Florida State Fire College (F.S. 633.444).

Identification Card and Driver License Fees for Veterans

This change eliminated the \$1 or \$2 fee a veteran must pay to have the word “Veteran” displayed on an identification card or driver license issued by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV). The law also expands the forms of identification that a veteran may present to the DHSMV as proof of veteran status for the purpose of receiving the “Veteran” designation on an identification card or driver license. (F.S. 322.135)

Local Business Tax Relief

This law provides an exemption to the local business tax, authorized in ch. 205, F.S., for active duty military servicemembers' spouses who relocate to the county or municipality pursuant to a permanent change of station order. **(F.S. 205)**

Temporary Employment or Appointment of Officers

This law provides an exemption from basic law enforcement recruit training for an applicant who has served in the special operations forces of the U.S. military for at least five years, provided there is no more than a 4-year break from the applicant's special operations forces experience at the time of application. The Florida Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission may require an exempt applicant to complete additional training as it deems appropriate, based on the applicant's prior training and experience. **(F.S. 943.10)**

Postsecondary Fee Waivers

The law authorizes Florida Colleges and Schools institutions to waive any portion of specified fees that are not covered under the DOD Military Tuition Assistance (MTA) program including:

- Student activity and service fees
- Financial aid fees
- Technology fees
- Capital improvement fees; and
- Any other fees authorized in s. 1009.23, F.S.

Active duty service members using the DOD MTA program will no longer incur out of pocket costs when they are enrolled in a FCS institution that elects to implement the fee waiver. **(F.S. 1009.23)**

Deployed Parent Custody and Visitation

This law creates the "Uniform Deployed Parents Custody and Visitation Act" which complies with and mirrors federal law of the same name. This bill provides protections for deployed servicemembers in regard to custody of children. It requires parents to communicate about custody and visitation issues as soon as possible after a servicemember learns of deployment and establishes procedures for parents who agree to a custody arrangement during deployment to resolve these issues by an out-of-court agreement. Further, it allows a deployed parent to grant caretaking authority to a nonparent with whom the child has a close positive relationship of substantial duration and depth. In the absence of an agreement, the bill allows for expedited resolution of a custody arrangement in court with

a temporary custody order. The bill prohibits the entry of a permanent custody order before or during deployment without the service member's consent. The bill provides for termination of the temporary custody arrangement following the servicemember's return from deployment. The bill also repeals the section of law that currently addresses temporary time-sharing modification and child support modification due to military service. (F.S. 61.703-61.773)

FDSTF Grants – Funding Application Process

The Task Force decided that within budget constraints, they may fund local initiatives that can be leveraged to promote, preserve, or enhance military missions and installations in Florida. The funding process will be a simplified one based on two criteria: The mission of the FDSTF as described in F.S. 288.987, and the FDSTF goals as stated in the FDSTF Strategic Plan.

The applicant must submit a FDSTF Project Application along with a budget and plan of action. When scheduled, the applicant will present the project proposal to the full Task Force for review and consideration. Approval requires a majority vote of eligible FDSTF members. State legislators are not eligible to vote on such matters. This entire process is posted on the Task Force web site.

Since the FDSTF Grant Program began in 2012 (FY13) the Task Force has awarded \$12.48M in grants to support its mission of protecting and preserving military missions and installations. For a summary of progress of Task Force Grant Award Contracts, see table at Tab 8. From FY13-16 the process utilized carryover funds from previous budget years. As of FY15-16, the Task Force is no longer carrying over unused funds and aligns the timing of the grant program to the Florida Legislative budget cycle. In 2018, for the FY18-19 grant cycle, the Task Force received eleven applications worth \$3,508,742.00. The Task Force considered two FY19 applications for funding using FY18 funds in March 2018 and selected one additional Grant for \$140,000.00 raising the total funded in FY17-18 funds to \$540,000. The Task Force considered five of the 10 remaining for merit and potential FY2019 funding in May 2018 and funded all five proposals worth \$1,329,000.00.

FDSTF 2019 Work Plan

Florida Statute 288.987 requires the Task Force to submit a work plan (along with the annual progress report) to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives each February 1st.

Work Plan for 2019

During 2019, the Task Force will work with its advocate in Washington DC, the Florida Congressional delegation, state government and local defense communities to aggressively advocate promoting and growing Florida's military installations based on the Task Force Strategic Plan. This plan was developed based on the results and recommendations from the comprehensive analysis and risk assessment updated by The Principi Group in 2017 of every military installation in Florida. The Task Force contract with The Principi Group for advocacy ends in February 2019 and will be re-competed for a new contract in the first half of 2019. Additionally, the Task Force will consider another round of funding initiatives that assist in supporting and protecting military installations.

The Task Force will conduct six in person meetings on the third Thursday of every other month throughout 2019. The Task Force will meet via conference call and webinar during the off months. There will be no scheduled meetings in June and December 2019. When possible, meetings will be held in various locations around the state and may include base visitations.

First Quarter

January – March 2019

- The Task Force will review and approve the Annual Report for submission to the Governor and Legislature.
- The Task Force will complete solicitation for a new advocacy contract.
- The Task Force will monitor progress on legislative initiatives that support the Task Force mission. Legislative regular session runs from March 5 – May 3, 2019.
- The Task Force will evaluate grant applications and determine if an additional grant application window is desired.
- The Task Force will monitor state agency activities to prevent installation encroachment, improve transportation access, and enhance energy efficiency on military installations to meet DOD energy efficiency requirements.

Second Quarter

April – June 2019

- The Task Force will review and consider annual grant requests for financial resource support to enhance local efforts to protect military installations.
- The Task Force will announce annual grant awards.
- Task Force will review and monitor progress on federal, state and local military and defense issues, and make recommendations to the Governor and Legislature.
- The Task Force will update the Florida Military Friendly Guide to include successful military-related legislation passed during the 2019 session.

- The Task Force will Review / update the Strategic Plan as required.
- The Task Force will develop the budget for Third Quarter (New FY) implementation.

Third Quarter

July – September 2019

- The Task Force will prepare a budget and legislative slate for the 2020 Session. They will identify the fiscal resources needed to support and implement FDSTF recommendations to further prepare for any future realignment or closures, or budget initiatives.
- The Task Force will publish a new version of the Florida Military-Friendly Guide and distribute it statewide.
- The Task Force will open the FY2021 Grant Application window to determine needs from the defense community.

Fourth Quarter

October – December 2019

- The Task Force will refine evolving budget and legislative issues.
- The Task Force will evaluate the impacts of the 2019 federal and state elections regarding Florida's military installations and missions.

TAB 1

**Governing Statutes –
Florida Statute 288.987
& 288.985**

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288.987 Florida Defense Support Task Force.—

- (1) The Florida Defense Support Task Force is created.
- (2) The mission of the task force is to make recommendations to preserve and protect military installations to support the state's position in research and development related to or arising out of military missions and contracting, and to improve the state's military-friendly environment for service members, military dependents, military retirees, and businesses that bring military and base-related jobs to the state.
- (3) The task force shall be comprised of the Governor or his or her designee, and 12 members appointed as follows:
 - (a) Four members appointed by the Governor.
 - (b) Four members appointed by the President of the Senate.
 - (c) Four members appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.
 - (d) Appointed members must represent defense-related industries or communities that host military bases and installations. All appointments must be made by August 1, 2011. Members shall serve for a term of 4 years, with the first term ending July 1, 2015. However, if members of the Legislature are appointed to the task force, those members shall serve until the expiration of their legislative term and may be reappointed once. A vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term in the same manner as the initial appointment. All members of the council are eligible for reappointment. A member who serves in the Legislature may participate in all task force activities but may only vote on matters that are advisory.
- (4) The President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall each designate one of their appointees to serve as chair of the task force. The chair shall rotate each July 1. The appointee designated by the President of the Senate shall serve as initial chair. If the Governor, instead of his or her designee, participates in the activities of the task force, then the Governor shall serve as chair.
- (5) The executive director of the Department of Economic Opportunity, or his or her designee, shall serve as the ex officio, nonvoting executive director of the task force.
- (6) The task force shall submit an annual progress report and work plan to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives each February 1.
- (7) The department shall contract with the task force for expenditure of appropriated funds, which may be used by the task force for economic and product research and development, joint planning with host communities to accommodate military missions and prevent base encroachment, advocacy on the state's behalf with federal civilian and military officials, assistance to school districts in providing a smooth transition for large numbers of additional military-related students, job training and placement for military spouses in communities with high proportions of active duty military personnel, and promotion of the state to military and related contractors and employers. The task force may annually spend up to \$250,000 of funds appropriated to the department for the task force for staffing and administrative expenses of the task force, including travel and per diem costs incurred by task force members who are not otherwise eligible for state reimbursement.

History.—s. 38, ch. 2011-76; s. 47, ch. 2012-96; s. 7, ch. 2012-98; s. 11, ch. 2012-159; s. 9, ch. 2014-218.

1Note.—Section 35, ch. 2011-76, provides that:

“(1) The executive director of the Department of Revenue is authorized, and all conditions are deemed met, to adopt emergency rules under ss. 120.536(1) and 120.54(4), Florida Statutes, for the purpose of implementing this act.

“(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, such emergency rules shall remain in effect for 6 months after the date adopted and may be renewed during the pendency of procedures to adopt permanent rules addressing the subject of the emergency rules.”

288.985 Exemptions from public records and public meetings requirements.—

- (1) The following records held by the Florida Defense Support Task Force are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution:
 - (a) That portion of a record which relates to strengths and weaknesses of military installations or military missions in this state relative to the selection criteria for the realignment and closure of military bases and missions under any United States Department of Defense base realignment and closure process.
 - (b) That portion of a record which relates to strengths and weaknesses of military installations or military missions in other states or territories and the vulnerability of such installations or missions to base realignment or closure under the United States Department of Defense base realignment and closure process, and any agreements or proposals to relocate or realign military units and missions from other states or territories.
 - (c) That portion of a record which relates to the state's strategy to retain its military bases during any United States Department of Defense base realignment and closure process and any agreements or proposals to relocate or realign military units and missions.
- (2)
 - (a) Meetings or portions of meetings of the Florida Defense Support Task Force, or a workgroup of the task force, at which records are presented or discussed that are exempt under subsection (1) are exempt from s. 286.011 and s. 24(b), Art. I of the State Constitution.
 - (b) Any records generated during those portions of meetings that are exempt under paragraph (a) are exempt from s. 119.07(1) and s. 24(a), Art. I of the State Constitution.

History.—s. 1, ch. 2009-156; s. 6, ch. 2012-98; s. 10, ch. 2012-159; s. 1, ch. 2014-185.

TAB 2

Members of the Task Force and Support Staff

Membership of the Task Force and Support Staff (January – June 2018)

Governor Appointees

- Representative Holly Raschein
- Admiral Mark Fitzgerald, U.S. Navy, Retired
- Commissioner Barbara Stewart
- Ms. Amy Gowder

Senate President Appointees

- Senator Doug Broxson – Chairman: July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018
- Major General Richard Haddad, U.S. Air Force, Retired
- Lieutenant Colonel William Dudley, U.S. Air Force, Retired
- Mr. Tom Neubauer

House Speaker Appointees

- Representative Clay Ingram
- Representative Jay Trumbull
- Brigadier General Arthur F. Diehl, III, U.S. Air Force, Retired
- CW4 Derrick Fritts (resigned on March 10, 2018 then vacant through June 2018)

Governor Scott appointed Major General Michael A. Calhoun, U.S. Army, the Adjutant General of Florida, as his personal designated representative.

The total number of appointees for the Task Force on June 30, 2018 was 12 of 13.

The support staff for the Florida Defense Support Task Force:

- Colonel Bruce Grant, U.S. Army (Ret), Vice President, Military and Defense Programs, Enterprise Florida
- Colonel Terrance McCaffrey, U.S. Air Force (Ret), Executive Director, Enterprise Florida
- Commander Marcy Sanders, U.S. Navy, (Ret) Grants Manager, Enterprise Florida
- Michelle Griggs, Administrative Assistant, Enterprise Florida

Membership of the Task Force and Support Staff (July – December 2018)

Governor Appointees

- Representative Holly Raschein (Termed out of office on November 6, 2018 creating a vacancy through December 31, 2018)
- Admiral Mark Fitzgerald, U.S. Navy, Retired
- Commissioner Barbara Stewart
- Ms. Amy Gowder

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- Brigadier General Arthur F. Diehl, III, U.S. Air Force, Retired
- Colonel Jim Heald, U.S. Air Force, Retired (appointed on August 27, 2018 filling a vacancy)

Governor Scott retained Major General Michael A. Calhoun, U.S. Army, the Adjutant General of Florida, as his personal designated representative.

The total number of appointees for the Task Force on December 30, 2018 is 11 of 13.

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TAB 3

Updated Strategic Plan



Florida
Defense Support Task Force

Strategic Plan
2018 – 2023

Updated as of: March 22, 2018

Florida Defense Support Task Force Strategic Plan 2018-2023

March 22, 2018

The Florida Defense Support Task Force (FDSTF) was created in 2011 by Florida Statute 288.987 with a defined mission:

- To make recommendations to preserve and protect military installations and missions.
- To support the state's position in research and development related to or arising out of military missions and contracting.
- To improve the state's military friendly environment for service members, military dependents, military retirees and businesses that bring military and base-related jobs to the state.

Vision

The Florida Defense Support Task Force will be an aggressive and effective advocate to promote, preserve, protect and expand military missions and installations across the state of Florida.

Guiding Principles

- Champion Florida as the "Most Military-Friendly State" in the nation.
- Advocate for favorable resolution of military and defense issues from a statewide perspective and unify Florida's defense communities with one voice. Provide a plan for active and effective advocacy for military and homeland defense missions and facilities located in Florida including the United States Coast Guard.
- Promote Florida's military friendly atmosphere and optimum training environment and locations as the best and most cost-effective alternative for the Department of Defense.
- Coordinate a unified consistent message of Task Force members, executive and legislative branches of Florida government, congressional members and defense communities.
- Maintain a proactive posture, assisting the Department of Defense in its effort to find efficiencies and develop synergies in the face of necessary military mission consolidations or realignment actions.
- Help Florida communities become better prepared to present the Department of Defense with viable options and opportunities where realignment or consolidation actions are being considered.
- Identify, prioritize and address all current or potential base and range encroachment issues including, but not limited to airspace, environmental, energy, frequency spectrum and land use compatibility.
- Foster mutually beneficial communication and strengthen relationships between the state of Florida, installation leadership and community leaders.
- Enhance the Florida Congressional Delegation efforts in working defense and security issues at the federal level.

- Focus on advocacy efforts to obtain results which are mutually beneficial to Florida and the defense community.
- Identify the military value of Florida installations using core Department of Defense criteria and the results of previous data calls.
- Assist the Governor's office and state agencies in addressing and supporting the needs of Florida's installations identified as the result of base commander's meetings.
- Champion and continue legacy of Florida's warmth, embrace and respect for military family quality of life.
- Share relevant information to communities both directly and through the Florida Defense Alliance.

General Definitions

Defense is a multi-dimensional environment defined broadly to include the active service members, National Guard and Reserve forces, military dependents, military retirees and military-related businesses in the state of Florida.

Military installations include all bases, ranges and airspace within Florida and in waters and airspace adjacent to Florida.

Time Frame Definitions

Long term – The period in which the state is responding to a congressionally created formal BRAC process and beyond.

Short term – The period in which the military services budget-driven realignments occur outside of a formal Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) process.

Task Force Members

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Overall Long-Term Strategic Goals for All Military Installations

1. Prevent exploration, drilling and other activities that could limit military use of the Gulf of Mexico Test and Training Range Complex (Gulf Range Complex). Support the long term (permanent preferred) extension of the current Military Mission Line (MML) and oil drilling moratorium for eastern Gulf of Mexico in order to maintain mission capability in the Gulf Range Complex. Continue to advocate for full funding of the DoD's Gulf Range Enhancement program. Work with DoD to develop a cohesive strategy on how to efficiently and effectively use the Range Space in the Southeast Region across Services and the Test and Training communities.
2. Sustain the aggressive and well supported programs to counter encroachment to Florida's military installations. In cooperation with installations and local communities, identify encroachment challenges and work with state and local partners to reduce or eliminate encroachment affecting installations, ranges and flight corridors. Promote land use agreements to increase or sustain ranges and their associated or escalating requirements and capabilities. This includes purchase of conservation or non-conservation land or development rights / restrictive easements that limit incompatible use. Support installations in solving other encroachment issues such as lighting, noise, frequency and cyber or nontraditional encroachment challenges such as civil use of drones near military installations.
3. Sustain the State of Florida's multiple level, coherent, and consistent strategic communication campaign to provide accurate and complete information about the value of Florida's military bases, its supporting communities' programs and those of the State.
4. Sustain long term community planning that is collaborative with local military bases, shares key information, and sets the conditions for increased military value.
5. Work with military installations to identify ways to help in improving critical infrastructure projects which will increase their military value.
6. Continue to address concerns on quality of life issues for service members and families through state legislation and other state programs.
7. Synchronize common goals between local military R&D efforts and adjacent academic institutions.
8. Actively advocate with senior, national level government officials for new missions and new technology. Monitor actions and potential actions within the DOD and in Congress that could affect Florida's military presence, and adapt the strategic plan to take appropriate action to encourage maintenance and growth of the military presence in Florida.
9. Continue to identify areas where the state's presence and actions have sustainable impacts on Florida's military installations and missions including, but not limited to:
 - Protect all Florida ranges.

- Support DoD efforts to improve and integrate the Southeast Range Complex.
- Inform DoD leaders of Florida installations' capacity to absorb future growth.
- Provide support and incentives for defense missions to remain or relocate to Florida.
- Increase existing missions and add compatible missions that fit with the capacity and infrastructure of the installation.
- Lower installations' costs of doing business through public-private partnerships.
- Expand ranges and bases in Florida in cooperation with Space Florida for Department of Defense Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) testing and training.
- Support increased cooperative activity among and between AF, Navy and FLNG ranges.
- Support better understanding of all types of installation encroachment threats.
- Support improvement of transportation access in/around military installations.
- Support bases' efforts in meeting Department of Defense renewable energy goals.
- Support bases' efforts in dealing with environmental issues.
- Support improvement of education programs in public schools adjacent to military bases.
- Complete implementation of the Joint Land Use Studies at all Florida military installations that have conducted them.
- Strengthen and enhance quality of life of our military families/retirees statewide and within local communities.

10. Continue to coordinate with and support Florida Department of Veterans Affairs and Florida Is For Veterans, Inc. to strengthen state support for military families and veterans with a focus on education, health care, employment and family programs and help Florida veterans decide to settle in Florida.

11. Continue to strengthen defense-related working relationships with the following state agencies:

- The Department of Veterans Affairs
- The Department of Economic Opportunity
- The Department of Environmental Protection
- The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Affairs Energy Office
- The Department of Military Affairs
- The Department of Business and Professional Regulation
- The Department of Education
- CareerSource Florida

Short-Term Strategic Goals

Implement an aggressive advocacy and action plan based on the recommendations in the 2017 Principi / Spectrum Group analysis and updates based on recent installation visits. Plan will pursue installation specific strategic goals at national and state levels as shown below.

National Level -- (Alphabetical Order by Installation):

➤ **Avon Park Range –**

- Pursue new or increased missions and expand use to additional range customers.
- Delegate authority to operate the range's uncontrolled airfield to lowest level.
- Advocate for Smart Range infrastructure investment including adding electronic warfare training capability, increasing ability to support 5th/6th generation aircraft training, and enhancing ability to host deployed units with shower facilities and munitions storage.
- Encourage establishing a liaison with the US Navy to facilitate increased use.
- Encourage the Air Force to include Avon Park Range in the "Southeast Range" concept.
- Enhance facilities to increase its use as a turnkey facility.
- Address limited manpower – advocate for new manpower study.
- Advocate for better funding.
- Stay engaged with ongoing range plans that may impact APAFR.
- Expand training and range capacity for the Florida Army National Guard.

➤ **Blount Island Marine Logistic Center –**

- Ensure Pentagon leadership awareness of value of Blount Island.
- Support the MCSF-BI and Blount Island Logistics / Maintenance Support.

➤ **Florida National Guard –**

- Increase FL National Guard strength authorization / preserve force structure in the Florida National Guard.
- Advocate for F-35 Joint Strike Fighter basing with FANG
- Support efforts to obtain a south Florida training area.
- Grow Cyber capacity in the Florida National Guard (Army and Air).
- Promote the expansion of Air Defense, Infantry and Transportation capability within the Florida National Guard.
- Advocate for increasing Armory Readiness Centers in the Florida National Guard.

➤ **Camp Blanding Joint Training Center –**

- Support an interagency training establishment as a center of gravity for disaster response.
- Pursue construction and expansion of ranges to meet DoD requirements and guidelines.
- Promote the value of the Joint Training Center to national level entities (NGB, DOD, DHS, NORTHCOM, SOUTHCOM, SOCOM, and CENTCOM).

- Identify adjacent eastern and northeastern land tracts for compatible military use.
 - Develop a systematic and tailored marketing / information campaign to encourage use of the CBJTC and encourage transfer or standup of additional training resources and operations capabilities.
- **Corry Station –**
- Continue to advocate bringing additional mission / workload to the Center for Information Warfare Training.
 - Raise awareness of Corry Station’s infrastructure issues to Navy leadership.
 - Support efforts to expand the mission of Information Warfare Training Command and associated support facilities.
- **Eglin Air Force Base –**
- Maintain Air Force Weapon Research, Acquisition, Development, Test and Evaluation functions, synergies and capabilities.
 - Support federal legislation to manage/control structures being built in the coastal waters to protect the Gulf Range Test and Training Complex.
 - Encourage the Air Force to include Eglin AFB range space in the “Southeast Range Complex” concept.
 - Strengthen support for DoD and USAF Community Partnership Programs and provide communities adequate support and funding to fully support partnerships.
 - Support elements of the January 2014 USAF Report to Congressional Committees, 2025 Air Test and Training Range Enhancement Plan that support regional and state installations and test ranges.
 - Advocate for transformation of the Eglin Test & Training Complex (ETTC) into a 5th Generation Range that provides operationally realistic environments for full scale test and training for 5th Generation Aircraft and Air Armament to include Integrated Air Defense Systems (IADS) capabilities and new threat emitters.
 - Enable expanded utilization of the Eastern Gulf of Mexico (NW Florida down to Keys) for test and training mission profiles.
 - Advocate for the establishment of a hypersonic weapons corridor.
 - Advocate for completing federal implementation of the Gulf Regional Airspace Strategic Initiative’s (GRASI) Landscape Initiative.
 - Advocate for eventual assignment of an operational F-35 unit to take advantage of F-35 facilities at Eglin.
 - Support the growth of the Florida Air National Guard (FLANG) F-35 operations at Eglin AFB.
 - Stay Engaged with AFMC as they develop their Air Armament Strategy.
 - Support NexGen Eglin: a concept for transformation for installation renovations and redevelopment.
 - Re-accomplish Joint Land Use Study.
- **Homestead Air Reserve Base –**
- Actively pursue the inclusion of Homestead Air Reserve Base into Joint Staff, SOUTHCOM, NORTHCOM and TRANSCOM contingency planning. Advocate for Homestead Air Reserve Base to be included among NORTHCOM and USTRANSCOM key contingency bases reports.

- Advocate restoration of the hydrant system from the tank farm to the ramp; make the system useful and develop a means to keep the base “warm” for contingency operations.
- Support encroachment management at HARB, including efforts to limit expansion of Urban Development Boundary and Urban Expansion Areas near the installation including pursuit to purchase easements on unprotected parcels in Homestead Park of Commerce to limit future incompatible development
- Continue to advocate for F-35’s to be based at HARB.
- Improve two maintenance hangars that are degraded and near the end of their service life; insure improvements support future F-35 requirements.
- Review and update previous Homestead ARB JLUS.
- Encourage the development of a HARB Growth Master Plan that:
 - Identifies and pursues South Florida Department of Defense and Department of Homeland Security missions and entities that would benefit from being tenants.
 - Identifies and pursues equipment to enhance the 482nd Fighter Wing’s lethality and to take advantage of HARB’s strategic location (e.g., F-35 Fighters).
 - Supports SOCOM in its pursuit to acquire Miami-Dade County land adjacent to SOCSOUTH headquarters. The land provides additional space and direct access to the runway in order to more effectively conduct special operations missions.
 - Assesses infrastructure and land-use enhancements to support current mission and identify requirements to support expanded mission(s).
 - Assesses the potential for a joint military-civilian use airfield.
 - Develops solutions for housing, base support requirements and the lack of a commissary.
- **Hurlburt Field –**
 - Encourage a strategy to ensure the SOW has ample access to range facilities.
 - Advocate for upgrades and recapitalization of aircraft at Hurlburt Field.
 - Champion a strategy to sustain the Florida Air National Guard CV-22 mission to include unit equipped force structure.
 - Support efforts to achieve final solution to access and Main Gate traffic challenges.
 - Develop strategy to overcome base limitations and foster additional operations and growth.
 - Advocate for a manpower study of the 1st SOW.
- **125th Fighter Wing at Jacksonville International Airport –**
 - Continue to support base facility improvements including the construction of a base fire station to ensure 125th FW compliance to Air Force standards.
 - Continue advocacy for basing of the F-35.
 - Establish an “Active-Associate” unit at the Jacksonville Air National Guard Base.

- **MacDill Air Force Base –**
 - Champion readiness, capacity, and capability of MacDill AFB to increase Air Refueling Mission force structure to include beddown of new KC-46 tanker or the KC-X.
 - Advocate for infrastructure improvements in support of the Air Refueling Wing.
 - Monitor construction of facilities for beddown of helicopters from US Army Reserve 159th Aviation Regiment.
 - Identify and promote potential for MacDill to absorb new missions and activities.
 - Continue to pursue improvement in K-12 education.
 - Re-accomplish Joint Land Use Study.

- **Naval Air Station Jacksonville –**
 - Monitor the health and future of NAS JAX based P-8A Poseidon squadrons, Triton UAS Command and Control Squadron (VUP-19), and HSM Squadrons in order to encourage the Navy to stay the course in these important national defense programs.
 - Secure top Navy leadership support for NAS JAX and FRC's proposed MILCON Plan and PPV proposals by local community.
 - Advocate for future depot level repair of new weapons platforms including F-35 and TRITON
 - Re-accomplish Joint Land Use Study.

- **Naval Air Station Key West –**
 - Educate / inform all levels of government and the American public the importance of the Key West mission.
 - Improve the outreach effort regarding Naval Air Station Key West's important security role and unique capabilities.
 - Support Navy off-shore range development and increased cooperative operations for Navy Aviation assets across the Gulf Range Complex.
 - Ensure economic impact of NAS Key West is well known within the community.
 - Raise visibility and encourage a solution to the enlisted housing problem and cost of living and affordable housing.

- **Naval Air Station Pensacola –**
 - Search for Base – Community Co-development opportunities.
 - Attract cyber domain commercial entities for community co-location.
Advocate for unfunded construction addressing base access control, repairs to airfield hangars and NATTC dormitories.
 - Re-accomplish Joint Land Use Study.

- **Naval Air Station Whiting Field –**
 - Support an information campaign highlighting excess capacity / training opportunities in the vicinity of Whiting.
 - Continue further efforts to buffer training airfields from encroachment.

- Support funding and complete the Whiting Field interior security fence.
 - Mitigate risk of future airfield rain runoff environmental problems.
- **Naval Station Mayport –**
- Continue to advocate for nuclear aircraft carrier homeport.
Advocate for a 2nd ARG (3 ships) to be stationed at NS Mayport and seek US Coast Guard ship basing at Mayport.
 - Increase the perception of strategic value of NS Mayport; monitor the number of ships homeported at Mayport and to ensure future stationing plans stay on track.
 - Monitor the health and future of NS Mayport based Triton Airframes, Consolidated Maintenance Hub (CMH), HSM Squadrons, LCS Ships, LCS Support Facilities (LSF), and LCS Training Facilities (LTF), in order to encourage the Navy to stay the course in these important national defense programs.
 - Re-accomplish Joint Land Use Study.
- **Naval Support Activity Panama City –**
- Support installation efforts to establish an Expeditionary Innovation Center, EXWERX modeled after (USSOCOM) SOFWERX.
 - Protect Navy ranges used for research, development, test, evaluation and training in Florida's littoral waters.
 - Support NSWC-PCD expansion of all expeditionary warfare capabilities in addition to MIW.
 - Advocate for expanded turn basin and improved berthing capability suitable for larger vessels, including Littoral Combat Ships (LCS) and Coast Guard Offshore Patrol Cutters
 - Maximize the benefit of the 8.44 acres acquired to enhance mission growth and contractor support for NSA-PC and its tenant commands.
 - Emphasize future developments associated with long-term Navy strategic goals such as sustainable and renewable energy projects and leveraging NAVSEA competencies to support the National Security Strategy goal of retaining and expanding military overmatch through development of innovative capabilities.
 - Advocate for the continued development of mission packages and ISEA activities at NSA Panama City.
 - Advocate for continued SSDC work at NSA Panama City.
 - Continued support for joint service Dive Training at NDSTC (Naval Dive and Salvage Training Center) and Saturation Diving at NEDU (Navy Experimental Dive Unit).
- **Patrick Air Force Base and Cape Canaveral Air Force Station –**
- Pursue programs to develop sites suitable for mission expansion.
 - Support continued commercial space launch efforts.
 - Advocate for accelerated funding of the equipment portion of the XY building.
 - Advocate for aircraft recapitalization for CSAR unit based at Patrick AFB (920th RW).
 - Monitor efforts to build rail lines across the installation property to identify any mission impact threats early.

- Secure the main gates at Cape Canaveral AF Station.
- Advocate for Patrick AFB to become home for Battlefield Airmen Training.
- Re-accomplish Joint Land Use Study at Patrick and Cape Canaveral.
- Support the growth of the Florida Air National Guard in Space Operations.

- **Saufley Field** – Advocate implementing Enhanced Use Lease (EUL) or other agreement where the community can use portions of Saufley Field for commercial activities.

- **U.S. Southern Command (SOUTHCOM)** –
 - Articulate the need for the USSOUTHCOM mission and location. Advocate retaining SOUTHCOM Headquarters in Miami, and should there be a NORTHCOM/SOUTHCOM consolidation, advocate having the HQs located in South Florida.
 - Support development of “Base Housing” near the USSOUTHCOM garrison.
 - Support the development of a US Army-Garrison Master Plan that:
 - Expands its role as the ADCON support entity for all DOD and select DHS assets in South Florida
 - Creates an administrative and operational bond between USAG-Miami and Homestead ARB
 - Enhances its image and role in the South Florida community
 - Pursues options for base housing and consolidated logistics facilities
 - Pursue SOUTHCOM becoming a “Center of Innovation” combining military technology agencies, private industry and academic research and study.
 - Pursue SOUTHCOM/South Florida becoming a “Center of Excellence for Latin America & Caribbean Diplomacy.” Combine assets at DOD, DHS, DOS, SOUTHCOM, South Florida Universities, Central/South American Universities, think tanks, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), and private entities to create a valuable synergistic partnership focused on the security, stability, resiliency and growth of the Western Hemisphere.

- **Team Orlando** –
 - Continue to assist Metro Orlando Defense Task Force (MODTF) in further development and execution of the strategic plan and communications plan to retain Team Orlando. Write a new strategic plan for Team Orlando expansion.
 - Advocate informing senior Service and Joint leadership on Team Orlando’s capabilities and solidifying support for modeling and simulation synergy.
 - Continue to grow and strengthen the DoD and academia linkage.
 - Continue and grow the Orlando simulation community’s support of the South East Range concept to leverage the modeling, simulations and training capabilities in central Florida.
 - Advocate for and support the efforts to grow the medical simulations domain as a Center of Medical Simulations in Florida. Assist the Team Orlando members to strengthen collaboration with the new Veteran Administration’s MEDSIM wing of the hospital in Lake Nona Florida.
 - Advocate to publicize and support the efforts of the Team Orlando capabilities to support Cyber related training.
 - Establish routine strategic updates within the park stakeholders.

- Continue to execute a strategic communication and outreach plan.
 - Strongly endorse expanded graduate education in MS&T.
 - Establish and implement an international MS&T strategy.
 - Continue the outreach by Team Orlando entities to other centers of modeling and simulation locations.
 - Remain nested with the state efforts and complement the state programs.
 - Maintain updated economic report findings.
 - Expand the MS&T Med Sim benefits into Family wellness and Medical professional training.
 - Increase the MS&T contribution to the South East range initiative.
 - Support the Army led “consortium” concept for service cross sharing.
 - Advocate for appropriate facilities (on or off installation) to support expected continued Team Orlando growth.
 - Increase the Active Duty, NGB and Reserve connection.
 - Fund a study to identify and showcase Team Orlando entity contributions to national security.
 - Assist where appropriate the Army initiative to build a persistent cyber training environment in Partnership 4B building.
 - Advocate for secure spaces for Team Orlando, appropriate to the ongoing/emerging mission set.
 - Strongly endorse Team Orlando training effectiveness methodologies to determine the RIGHT technology for the desired training.
- **Tyndall Air Force Base –**
- Assist the SATF (Site Activation Task Force) with the community data needed to facilitate a successful bed down and timely completion of the EIS (Environmental Impact Study) for the RPA (Remotely Piloted Aircraft) MQ-9 Base Y.
 - Assist Tyndall leadership, AFCEC (Air Force Civil Engineer Center) and ACC (Air Combat Command) with the stand-up of an MQ-9 program office.
 - Assist AFCEC and Base leadership in establishing the best possible locations for planning Base Y MCE headquarters and LRE complex facilities.
 - Support the Tyndall 2030 program initiative as Tyndall plans for new and growing missions and facility and services expansions.
 - Provide direct support to the installation and to Bay County in the completion of a JLUS (Joint Land Use Study) which will begin in 2018.
 - Support the re-launch of Tyndall’s Community Partnership Program and leverage the engagement of program SME’ with grant support.
 - Support the continued TFI (Total Force Integration) efforts for the F-22 FTU, F-22 OPS, AOC and future RPA program.
 - Advocate for F-22 FTU (Formal Training Unit) aircraft to have DOC change to a combat coded squadron.
 - Support installation efforts to resolve issues with privatized housing, address quality issues and occupancy rates.
 - Support the efforts of AFNORTH to secure federal legislation that would provide the commander with appropriate control over privately operated drones operating in Tyndall airspace.
 - Support the growth of 53d WEG operations and bed down of additive contract adversary air.

- Raise national awareness of the multi-faceted role of 1st Air Force, the 601st Air and Space Operations Center and the Florida Air National Guard in US National Security and Civil Authorities missions.
- Assist the WEG and FW with expansion of ground range space south of the base.

State Level -- (Alphabetical Order by Installation):

- **125th Fighter Wing at Jacksonville International Airport**
 - Support facility improvements and taxiway upgrades.
 - Support / advocate for future F-35 basing.
- **Avon Park Air Force Range** – Continue efforts to mitigate encroachment and encourage easement purchases.
- **Cape Canaveral Air Force Station** – Support the development of a state master plan for the complementary use of Cape Canaveral and Port Canaveral.
- **Eglin Air Force Base** –
 - Support road improvements to facilitate Highway 85 and Highway 98 ingress / egress.
 - Identify possible state contributions to Eglin Range sustainment and growth to support 5th and 6th gen weapons and aircraft.
- **Homestead Air Reserve Base** – Continue to fend off encroachment issues; support the purchase of land and or development rights of the parcels (Homestead Park of Commerce) under the flight traffic pattern adjacent to Homestead ARB to prevent future encroachment issues.
- **Hurlburt Field** – Support proposed “West Gate” construction and off base auxiliary roads to reduce / eliminate traffic congestion.
- **MacDill Air Force Base** –
 - Support the purchase of development rights of the remaining section of the parcel (Florida Rock) immediately adjacent to MacDill Air Force Base to prevent future encroachment issues.
 - Promote and support engagement campaign to raise senior DOD, Service and Joint leadership of MacDill’s operational readiness and capacity in support of national security interests.
- **Patrick Air Force Base** – Pursue solutions for traffic management at Patrick AFB.
- **Naval Air Station Pensacola** –
 - Establish a system to enhance air space management in Northwest Florida with guidance aimed at future growth in flight activity.

- Continue initiatives with Navy to secure public access to National Cemetery, National Museum of Naval Aviation, Fort Barrancas and lighthouse.
- Consider development of a more structured and robust cooperative mechanism involving the hospital, the Veterans Administration facility, and the three local hospitals, with a focus on disaster response.
- Continue initiatives for shared functions (commercial, medical, recreation, etc.) with the communities and State through mechanisms such as enhanced-use leasing.
- Support the purchase of land and / or development rights of the parcels under the flight traffic pattern to prevent future encroachment issues.
- Support basing USCG Cutters at Pensacola.

- **Naval Air Station Key West** – Support the purchase of land and / or development rights of the parcels under the flight traffic pattern adjacent to Key West Naval Air Station to prevent future encroachment issues.

- **Naval Station Mayport** – Support stationing of additional Littoral Combat Ships (LCS) at NS Mayport.

- **Naval Support Activity Panama City** –
 - Complete implementation of the Joint Land Use Study and adjacent land acquisition project to ensure merging commercial and military activities can each meet their objectives.
 - Support local activities to enable berthing capability of Littoral Combat Ships (LCS) at NSA Panama City.

What Does Success Look Like?

- Florida is fully prepared to assist the Department of Defense to maximize efficiencies in an era of defense build-up.
- Florida increases relative position in economic impact from defense spending.
- Task Force is the state focal point with support mechanisms, processes, data, and resources to effectively conduct military advocacy actions with the Florida Congressional Delegation and is an integral part of success.
- Florida successfully procures emerging military missions to at Florida installations or with defense contractors. Florida continues to earn its reputation as the nation's top-ranked military-friendly state. Raise the bar within Department of Defense family support areas rated green.
- Florida maintains and funds an effective installation encroachment prevention program for conservation and non-conservation lands.
- Maintain communications plan and FDSTF web site that promote the military value of Florida installations. Ensure plan is linked to all local Florida defense support organizations to allow insight to and inclusion of regional and community partnerships.
- Florida has strengthened, mutually beneficial community relationships with installation leadership, the Florida Defense Alliance, community leaders along with, city and county officials to capitalize on local resources; efforts are integrated with at all levels.

- Florida has increased defense business and is the leader in veterans' employment opportunities.
- Florida's role in space launches and mission support and expanded military space opportunities is well understood.
- Florida's national-level advocacy plan for military and homeland defense missions and facilities includes the United States Coast Guard; supports the Florida Congressional Delegation objectives.
- Working relationships with defense planners, defense contractors and leadership better anticipates changing needs and proposed actions to assist in developing solutions and strategies of mutual benefit to the Department of Defense and the state.
- The citizen-to-soldier/airman ratio for the Florida National Guard is sized correctly to support national defense requirements as well as possible Florida Department of Emergency Management and other critical state needs.

TAB 4

**Announcement of
FY 2018-2019
Grant Awards**



Florida Defense Support Task Force

May 18, 2018

SUBJECT: Announcement of FY 2018 - 2019 Florida Defense Support Task Force Grant Awards

The Florida Defense Support Task Force met on May 17, 2018 to consider funding applications for projects that would accomplish the mission of the Task Force and support the goals outlined in the Task Force Strategic Plan. After careful review of the applications submitted for funding from the Florida Defense Support Task Force for FY 2018- 2019, the Task Force approves the three applicants listed below to receive grant awards.

Applicant	Project	Award
Polk County	Encroachment prevention and sustainability of Avon Park Air Force Range	\$500,000
Clay County	Land or easement acquisition to prevent encroachment at Camp Blanding Joint Training Center	\$500,000
Bay County Board of County Commissioners	Analyze the feasibility of a rapid innovation center for NSA Panama City called EXCEL	\$95,000
Central Florida Regional Planning Council	Avon Park Air Force Range – Sentinel Landscape Priority Action Plan	\$90,000
Gulf Coast State College	Environmental Impact Study Scoping / Strategy for MQ-9 Bed-down	\$144,000
	TOTAL	\$1,329,000

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doug Broxson".

Senator Doug Broxson
Chairman, Florida Defense Support Task Force

TAB 5

**Task Force
Accomplishments
Paper
2012-2018**

Florida Defense Support Task Force

Achievements 2012-2018

“Making Florida the Most Military Friendly State in the Nation”

(As of 30 December 2018)

Created under Florida Statute 288.987, the thirteen-member Florida Defense Support Task Force (FDSTF) has the mission to make recommendations to preserve and protect military installations, support the state’s position in research and development related to or arising out of military missions and contracting, and improve the state’s military-friendly environment for service members, military dependents, military retirees, and businesses that bring military and base-related jobs to the state.

“What success looks like”

1. **Military and Defense Advocacy** – The Task Force has supported actions that have increased and will continue to increase military capability in Florida. The Task Force encouraged the Governor and local mayors and city councils to write letters of support for the Navy’s Triton Remotely Piloted Aircraft (RPA) to be stationed in Florida. The Task Force has encouraged USAF officials to select Jacksonville for basing Air National Guard F-35s, Homestead Air Reserve Base for future reserve component F-35 basing, although the latest round chose different locations. The Task Force has supported beddown at Tyndall AFB for a future MQ-9 Reaper training wing that was selected in 2017. An additional MQ-9 unit has been designated for Hurlburt Field to support Air Force Special Operations Mission. Since late 2016, the Task Force has become aware that the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) prohibition on oil exploration and drilling east of the Military Mission Line (MML) will expire in 2022 and threaten the Gulf Range Complex. The Task Force has led efforts to extend the moratorium initially by producing a White Paper on Military Missions and Oil Drilling and Military Mission Compatibility in February 2017 that has led efforts to extend the moratorium with the Florida Congressional Delegation, Florida Legislature, and the Department of Defense. Task Force support spurred resolutions passed in both the Florida House and Senate the support permanent extension of the MML in the 2018 Session (HB319 and SB550). The Task Force has produced and supplied Military and Defense informational publications, letters and briefs to new Congressional Delegation members on Florida defense issues relevant in Washington, DC as well as to new chairs and members of the Florida Legislature committees that deal with military and veterans’ affairs. Through our continued relationship with The Principi Group (TPG), the Task Force maintained their advocacy efforts on behalf of Florida’s military installations in Washington, D.C.
 - a. First published in 2013, the “Florida Defense Industry Economic Impact Analysis” and the resultant 2013 Florida Defense Factbook and other marketing materials were created to educate and raise awareness of the economic impact of the military and defense industry to Florida’s economy – the study is updated every two years. The latest data published in December 2017 found that military

and defense provides \$84.9 billion in state economic impact and 801,747 direct and indirect jobs making defense the 2nd largest economic driver in the state

- b. The “Florida Military Friendly Guide”, a handbook of state programs and laws that benefit military members and their families stationed in Florida, was designed and annually publish. This guide is distributed to every military installation and veteran’s outreach group to ensure Florida servicemembers and veterans get the best information available
 - c. On behalf of the Task Force, The Principi Group:
 - Conducts a bi-weekly conference call that includes Task Force staff, the state of Florida Washington office, and the Department of Military Affairs as well as prepares monthly reports to the Task Force on their activities on behalf of Florida
 - Visits every major military installations in the state in order to remain current on issues faced by each installation commander
 - Advocates for Florida military mission and installations in the Pentagon and on Capitol Hill
 - Advocates for the Southeast Range Complex Initiative in the State and in Washington, D.C. to establish relationships with stakeholders and DoD reps to solidify and update the Southeast Range Complex and Florida’s role in military test and training missions
2. **Installation Encroachment Prevention:** The Task Force coordinated with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) and the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to make the Military Base Protection (MBP) Program a success. This program was funded to acquire three “Tier 1” non-conservation buffering lands adjacent to military installations including the purchase of a restrictive easement at the Mayport Village property, securing an easement on the southern portion of the Florida Rock property that will ensure MacDill AFB operations are not adversely impacted by development, and reaching agreement to purchase the Barefoot Palms property near Naval Support Activity Panama City. Although the Task Force engagement with the MBP has been very successful, we were unable to acquire the northern 10 acres of the Florida Rock property. Due to Task Force engagement with Base Commanders and the Governor’s Office in early 2018, we were able to stop incompatible development of a shopping area off the northern end of the runway. In Orlando, the Task Force partnered with DEP to support the State’s acquisition of a partnership building including more than 83,000 square feet of office space to reduce the cost of leased office space for the National Center for Simulation team at Naval Support Activity Orlando. This partnership with University of Central Florida, DoD and the Orlando-based defense industry was instrumental in keeping the Army’s Program Executive Office for Simulation, Training and Instrumentation (PEO-STRI) in Orlando and officially designating the Orlando campus as the Navy Center of Excellence for Simulation. At Homestead Air Reserve Base (HARB), the Task Force supported efforts to stop expansion of the Urban Development Boundary that would have been an encroachment issue for HARB in early 2018. Governor Scott and Task Force member, Rep Holly Raschein sent letters in support of HARB that were instrumental in the developer pulling the application. Additionally, the Task Force supported the application and successful federal designation

of Avon Park Air Force Range as a “Sentinel Landscape” partner in 2016. Finally, the Task Force has approved 12 Grants worth \$4,811,965.00 (more than 39% of all grants awarded) that specifically prevent encroachment through land and easement purchases including:

- a. **Santa Rosa County** – Three grants totaling \$221,964.00 to update a 2003 Land Acquisition Study and complete phased plan to limit encroachment at NAS Whiting Field, construct a fence to limit physical access to the airfield and to enhance force protection of the facility
- b. **Clay County** – Five grants totaling \$2,500,000.00 to acquire thousands of acres adjacent to Camp Blanding to prevent encroachment to the Joint Training Center
- c. **Polk County** – Two grants totaling \$1,000,000.00 to acquire land and conservation easements to prevent encroachment to Avon Park AF Range
- d. **Highlands County** – Three grants worth \$1,090,000.00 to acquire land or conservation easements to protect Avon Park Air Force Range from incompatible land use and support a Sentinel Landscape management

3. **Defense Alliances, Communities, Education and Family Support:** An important aspect of military installation readiness and value resides in supporting the base military and family member population through local defense support organizations / alliances, direct family support programs and education programs. To accomplish this, the Task Force maintains an important relationship and partnership with the Florida Defense Alliance (FDA). FDA is the statewide grass roots volunteer effort to support Florida’s military installations, missions and personnel in the communities where they live. The Task Force has integrated the FDA into its efforts by asking the FDA Chair to update the Task Force at their monthly meetings. Additionally, the Task Force and the FDA conduct co-located meetings bi-annually in order to cross talk and support mutual opportunities and goals. The Task Force has conducted two projects that directly support the coordination and continuity of local groups: the “Best Practices Study” captured and shared successful methods and procedures to all local defense support groups, and the “Linkages Study” helped local groups understand how their local installation shares interconnected defense infrastructure that reach statewide and often nationally. Beyond close cooperation with the FDA, the Task Force has supported 20 Grants worth \$3,639,000.00 (approximately 29% of all grants awarded) that improve the state’s military-friendly environment for service members, military dependents, military retirees, and businesses that bring military and base-related jobs to the state including:

- a. **Tampa Bay Defense Alliance (TBDA)** – four grants totaling \$680,000.00 that established the TBDA and support defense advocacy for military missions and families in the MacDill AFB area
- b. **Bay County** – three grants totaling \$795,000.00 that partially support the area’s transportation development including a LambdaRail project that provides transportation relief to the Tyndall AFB population and a project to develop an expeditionary rapid innovation center outside Naval Station Activity Panama City, which will collaborate with local colleges, universities, and business in a public-private partnerships
- c. **Okaloosa County** – three grants totaling \$480,000.00 to support development of the Tri-County Committee Partnership to support defense infrastructure and missions across the Panhandle and continue a public-private partnership to improve the military value of Eglin AFB and Hurlburt Field

- d. **The Andrews Institute** – one grant worth \$225,000.00 to conduct treatment for 50 special operations wounded warriors
 - e. **Florida 8A Alliance** – three grants totaling \$350,000.00 that support veteran and defense small business development
 - f. **University of West Florida** – one grant worth \$350,000.00 to implement a program to identify and train military veterans in information technology and cybersecurity skill to enhance the qualified veteran workforce to support military needs in NW Florida
 - g. **Doolittle Institute** – one grant worth \$100,000 to conduct a Technology Transfer Initiative at Eglin AFB vital to the Air Force and the Warfighter
 - h. **National Math and Science Initiative** – one grant worth \$175,000.00 to develop a college readiness program focused on military children
 - i. **Military Child Education Coalition** – one grant worth \$225,000.00 to build a comprehensive plan to support Military and Veteran-connected children and families in the state of Florida – tiger team to test the program in Tampa area and Escambia County
 - j. **South Florida Defense Alliance (SFDA)** – two grants worth \$255,000.00 to support the development of a single entity to advocate for local military and defense issue in Miami-Dade, Brevard, Monroe, and Palm Beach Counties
4. **DoD Force Structure Gains in Florida:** Although Congress has not authorized a Base Realignment And Closure (BRAC) Commission since 2005, the services have continued to relocate assets and missions “under the radar”. Over the past six years, the Task Force has been instrumental in supporting gains of military capacity, missions and hardware to installations statewide and has provided 12 grants worth \$2,838,000.00 (more than 23% of all grants awards) to preserve and protect military installations including:
- a. **Naval Station (NS) Mayport** –
 - Three ship Amphibious Ready Group (ARG): USS New York, USS Iwo Jima, USS Ft McHenry homeported in 2014
 - USS Lassen (Arleigh Burke class destroyer) homeported at NS Mayport
 - Dredging harbor, carrier pier renovated and shore power mechanisms put into place
 - Second major pier renovated to accommodate a 2nd ARG
 - Guided Missile Destroyer, USS Thomas Hudner relocated to Naval Station Mayport in 2017
 - Littoral Combat Ship (LCS) squadron commander in place with LCS training and support facilities funded and completed in 2017. Additional infrastructure improvements include LCS Operations Training Center, and an LCS Mission Module Readiness Center
 - First two LCS ships arrive at Mayport in 2017 (USS Milwaukie and USS Detroit) – Three additional LCS arrived in 2018 (USS Little Rock, USS Sioux City, and USS Wichita) – one additional ship still in construction
 - Mayport selected as newest base for Navy MQ-4C Drone Squadron (4 aircraft) which brings 400 personnel and 170+ new jobs to Jacksonville area – planned to be Fully Mission Capable in 2020

- City of Jacksonville Military Affairs, Veterans and Disabled Service Department – one grant worth \$200,000.00 to create a support maritime research and development capability for NS Mayport
- b. **Naval Air Station (NAS) Jacksonville / Fleet Readiness Center –**
- Advocated for and gained more Navy repair business because of lower operational costs beginning in 2013
 - Supported the P-8A basing, NAS JAX received a \$52M renovation of its runways and additional funding for taxiways, aprons, and hangars. 50th P-8A aircraft delivered to NAS Jacksonville in January, 2017
 - Additionally, the NAS JAX infrastructure was augmented by the construction of the P-8A Maintenance Training Facility
 - NAS Jacksonville is also home to the Triton Unmanned Air Vehicle (UAV) supported by the Triton Mission Control Facility and the Triton Fleet Support Facility.
 - The Navy stood up its first unmanned-only aviation squadron on Friday, 28 Oct 2016, as the MQ-4C Triton community establishes its first operational squadron at NAS Jacksonville
 - City of Jacksonville Military Affairs, Veterans and Disabled Service Department – one grant worth \$250,000.00 grant to build a new explosive disposal training range bunker on Jacksonville Air Guard base to enhance safety and increase the military value of the installation – supports basing decision for F-35 program
- c. **Naval Air Station (NAS) Whiting Field –**
- New arresting gear was installed at Outlying Landing Field (OLF) Choctaw providing significant training opportunities for aviator trainees
 - Whiting has added the T-6B Joint Primary Aircraft Training System (JPATS) Operations Facility improving their infrastructure ground game
 - NAS Whiting Field has secured more than 1,000 parcels of land over the FY15 to FY19. These parcels are located adjacent to the installation, underneath flight tracks and within accident potential zones. Buffering of these lands serves to protect the mission and to safeguard conservation. The culmination of the Navy-County and Navy-State efforts brings the total land acquired around NAS Whiting Field to roughly 4,100 acres. The successes of what is considered the "Navy's Model" in encroachment partnering has positioned this partnership to potentially secure another 5,000 acres - providing a protection buffer that enables NAS Whiting Field to support one of the most dynamic aviation training missions in the Department of Defense
 - Completed a \$9.8M Utility Energy Savings Contract. Project converted over 7,000 lights to LED and improved energy systems (heat/cool/water) in 39 buildings – generating over \$495K in annual savings.
- d. **NSA Orlando (Team Orlando) –**
- National Center for Simulation Threat Mitigation Plan – Task Force provided one grant worth \$350,000.00 to develop the plan

- University of Central Florida – Task Force provided one grant worth \$240,000.00 to implement the strategic plan in partnership with UCF to retain and expand office space for the center’s mission – resulted in maintaining / expanding DoD simulation footprint in Orlando
 - Added a new industry leader to the contributing Team Orlando membership – Bohemia Interactive Simulations in 2014
 - Florida has provided approximately \$42,000,000.00 in funds to acquire additional office space to lower the cost of leased space for military services. This has served to preserve the presence as Naval Support Activity Orlando
 - The Task Force supported the newest Army Headquarters, Army Futures Command, establishment in Orlando. Even though Orlando was not considered by the Army, Army Futures Command, had an impact on Orlando with the Cross Functional Team (CFT) for Modeling and Simulation designated to be positioned at NSA Orlando
- e. **Tyndall AFB –**
- Gained operational F-22 squadron – 24 aircraft and accompanying support elements in 2014
 - Averted the consolidation of the 612th and 601st Air Operation Commands (AOC)
 - The Task Force provided a grant to Gulf Coast State College of \$30,000 to identify Air Force community partnership initiatives that will benefit Tyndall AFB, Bay County, and the greater state of Florida
 - In late 2017, the Air Force selected Tyndall as the preferred location for the MQ-9 Reaper Wing consisting of 24 aircraft. The move will bring 1600 new jobs and \$250 million in Military Construction to Bay County – beddown should be complete by 2020
 - Task Force provided Gulf Coast State College an FY18-19 grant for \$144,000 to complete the required environmental impact study and scoping sessions to ensure Tyndall Air Force Base is a compatible location to house the beddown of the MQ-9 Reaper Wing
- f. **Eglin AFB –**
- Averted a loss of the two star billet during the AFMC reorganization and AF Weapons RDT&E functions were not migrated away as considered in 2013
 - Gained AFSOC aircraft stationed at Duke Field on Eglin AFB in 2016
 - Gulf Range Complex protected due to work by CM Miller and SEN Nelson to stave off legislation that would have enabled oil exploration and drilling east of the Military Mission Line (MML)
 - City of Niceville – Task Force provided a grant worth \$25,000.00 to conduct the implementation of the 2009 Eglin AFB Joint Use Land Study (JLUS) Recommendations enhancing the bases military value
 - Okaloosa County EDC – Task Force provided a grant worth \$250,000.00 for strategic planning to support expansion of Florida’s Military Test and Training Range Capacity that increases military value of all Panhandle installations that utilize the Gulf Range Complex

- Air Force Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) school updated its training program to try to retain more airmen in the process, which has historically weeded out about 75 percent of the classes. The \$3 million makeover of the school began with classes in January 2016
- USAF set aside 6 F-35 for Operations Test and 3 F-35 for AMC Test aircraft in order to support 5th generation capability tests operations in the Gulf Range
- The Task Force provided a grant to InDyne Inc. of \$235,000 to develop a systems engineering management plan for remotely operated site at Carrabelle, FL that supports Gulf Range instrumentation and primed the pump for \$60 million in federal spending to enhance the range in NDAA18 & 19
- In 2017-2018, an Energy Savings Performance Contract provided 7 major energy conservation measures initiatives - potential project value \$60-75M

g. Hurlburt Field –

- New AC-130J's delivered to Hurlburt Field
- C-130 Wing Boxes (main aircraft wing structure) have all been replaced for the older model C-130's
- All rotary wing assets are gone from AFSOC – they have been replaced by the CV-22
- Supported efforts to integrate FLANG into AFSOC CV-22 operations
- Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) – In cooperation with the Task Force and the base, FDOT is constructing a flyover to relieve traffic congestion at the gate on HYW 98
- In June of 2018, Hurlburt was selected to host AFSOC's second active-duty MQ-9 Reaper drone squadron – the unit will bring an additional 60 personnel to the AFSOC headquarters as well as 200 new jobs. The Hurlburt squadron is expected to be in place in late 2019

h. MacDill AFB –

- On 20 September 2016 the Governor and Cabinet approved purchase of a permanent development restriction easement on the most critical southern portion of the Florida Rock parcel on the departure end of Runway 04. This easement purchased a portion of a Tier 1 property and partially fulfills the Task Force strategic plan on stopping encroachment that would reduce military potential of Florida bases
- An \$8.1 million project to resurface an 11,421-foot runway at MacDill Air Force Base completed in late 2016 added value to airfield operations
- MacDill is slated to gain 23 UH-60 helicopters and 200 people from the Army Reserve by late 2018
- The Task Force advocated for earlier delivery of displaced KC-135R's – 8 KC-135 aircraft relocated in late 2017 opening a new squadron, the 50ARS, at MacDill
- Task Force has advocated for DoDD Schools at MacDill, Tinker School is now scheduled for assessment

- i. **Avon Park Air Force Range (APAFR) –**
 - The 598th Range Squadron was activated at the end of September, 2015
 - Gained approval from the U.S. Air Force for expanded use of the runway at APAFR to ensure emergency and normal use which increases range utilization
 - Avon Park AFR request for Runway use was approved by the Air Force for multiple aircraft types (F-16, F-18, A-10, F-35, C-130, C-17, etc) that are now authorized to operate under day VFR (Cloud deck 1500' above ground, visibility 3 miles) conditions

- j. **Homestead Air Reserve Base (HARB) –**
 - Gained Navy special warfare unit to meet increased requirement for special operations forces in SOUTHCOM. Navy Special Warfare Unit 4 is coming to HARB
 - Some progress toward making Homestead ARB a contingency base for Mobility Operations

- k. **Patrick AFB / Cape Canaveral AFS –**
 - Obtained funding to renovate the XY Building
 - Obtained funding to upgrade/replace the communications equipment to support Range Operations/Management
 - Task Force has supported increase in commercial launch at the Cape – 2017 had 17 launches, 2018 has 34-36 scheduled
 - New PAFB Fire Station MILCON (\$14M); broke ground 5 Jan '18; FOC Spring '19
 - 45 SW has leased/licensed over 1 million sq. feet of excess facilities under Commercial Space Launch Act Title 51 U.S. Code § 50913

- l. **Camp Blanding Joint Training Center / Florida Air National Guard –**
 - Airspace Control System – the Task Force provided a grant worth \$474,000.00 to develop and implement an airspace control system to ensure mission accomplishment and safety
 - Mass Warning System – the Task Force provided a grant worth \$255,000.00 to develop and implement a mass warning notification system for the installation
 - JAX Airport MILCON award for \$9M in FY17 for Fire Station construction, 100% design complete, expect contract award May 2018
 - \$6.1M in FY16 AF appropriations for Space Control Squadron Facility for the 114 SPCS currently located at Patrick AFB, FL - Permanent facility estimated completion in CY20
 - USAF announced on 7 Dec 2016 that the 125th Fighter Wing, Florida Air National Guard at Jacksonville International Airport was in the final 5 bases for F-35 bed-down. JAX was selected as a suitable alternate for future basing

- m. **Naval Support Activity (NSA) Panama City –**
 - Bay County – the Task Force provided a grant worth \$120,000.00 to conduct a feasibility study of dredging the turning basin to allow safe transit for large naval vessels – would expand installations capability and military value

- n. **Naval Air Station (NAS) Key West / Truman Annex –**
 - City of Key West – the Task Force provided two grants totaling \$250,000 that support transportation road access via the Truman Water front to support force protection and provide better access to Truman Annex and repair of the annex seawall – increased the military utility and value of the waterfront facility completed in 2018
- o. **Naval Air Station (NAS) Pensacola –**
 - Greater Pensacola Chamber of Commerce – the Task Force provided a grant worth \$250,000.00 to relocate and/or add directional signage to the Naval Aviation Museum. The change in gate access by museum visitors was driven by force protection issues and caused an undue hardship on base security resources and personnel
 - NAS Pensacola designated as homeport for two USCG Cutters - The U.S. Coast Guard Cutter "Dauntless" and "Decisive" arrived in summer of 2018. Both are 210' Medium Endurance Cutters crewed by 76 Coast Guardsmen

5. Overall Achievements:

- a. Organized as a Task Force, conducted more than 66 meetings to date and visited/evaluated all 20 major military installations around the state. In order to meet the mission, the Task Force first major order of business was to contract with The Spectrum Group to conduct a comprehensive review and simultaneous risk assessment of all bases in regard to possible realignment or closure
- b. In order to fulfill its mission, the Task Force developed and implemented a long range strategic plan to guide actions to protect, preserve and enhance Florida's military installations. This plan is updated annually to ensure relevance and timeliness of recommendations and action to support the mission. The latest plan is available at <https://www.enterpriseflorida.com/wp-content/uploads/FDSTF-Strategic-Plan-2018-2023.pdf>
- c. Established and maintains a web site to disseminate military and defense-related information and established a system of weekly updates to keep members current on events and activities impacting Florida's military installations at <https://www.enterpriseflorida.com/fdstf/>
- d. Contracted with The Principi Group to advocate in Washington, DC on behalf of Florida's military installations in conjunction with the Florida Congressional delegation and the Governor's Washington office. The Principi Group has been effective in the Pentagon and on Capitol Hill in gaining visibility on Florida's military and defense issues as well as providing tremendous assistance to Florida's local defense communities during their annual visits to Washington. The Principi Group and Task Force Staff continue to conduct a series of follow up visits to Florida's military installations to update the original Spectrum Group assessment and remain current on issues faced by the installation commanders. Additionally, The Principi Group met with local defense leaders to receive community input on issues impacting the installations

- e. Southeast Range Complex Conference – In accordance with the Task Force directive, The Principi Group conducted a conference on the development of a Southeast Range Complex on 3 November 2016 in Orlando. There were 27+ attendees from the Army, Navy, Air Force, Office of Secretary of Defense and many other stakeholders in attendance who had several presentations and robust conversations on the issues. This will enhance future cooperation of this critical resource for Florida
 - f. Impact of Oil Drilling / Exploration on the Gulf Range Complex – Developed a white paper in February 2017 to articulate a unified, consistent message to support the 2006 moratorium on Oil Drilling & Exploration east of the Military Mission Line (MML) based on the military value of the Gulf of Mexico available at <https://www.enterpriseflorida.com/wp-content/uploads/FDSTF-White-Paper-Oil-Drilling-and-Military-Mission-Compatibility.pdf>
 - g. Established the Military Base Protection Program Process – Created a process to assess and prioritize and funding to acquire non-conservation lands or development rights to prevent encroachment or incompatible lands use around Florida’s military installations
 - h. Awarded 55 Task Force grants totaling \$12.48 million to local defense communities across the state to enhance the military value of Florida bases
6. **Supported military-friendly state legislation including** (Military friendly legislation available at: <https://www.enterpriseflorida.com/wp-content/uploads/Florida-Military-Friendly-Guide-2018.pdf>):
- a. Establishing a funded program to acquire non-conservation buffering lands adjacent to military installations
 - b. Extending voter registration for deployed military members
 - c. Providing continued Florida participation in the Interstate Compact for Military Children
 - d. Providing write in absentee ballots for all state and local elections for deployed service members
 - e. Allowing military spouses/dependents to keep their state of residence driver licenses while stationed in Florida
 - f. Allowing automatic extensions for military spouse/dependent driver licenses while stationed outside of Florida
 - g. Providing a waiver of minimum age requirements for service members at hotels
 - h. Allowing out-of-state college tuition rates for the spouse and children of service members
 - i. Allowing certain persons with disabilities to receive Medicaid home and community-based services if parent or legal guardian is an active duty military service member
 - j. The “Don Hahnfeldt Veterans and Military Friendly Opportunity Act”

- The law eases professional licensing fees and requirements for certain military members, veterans, and their spouses, including:
 - For the Department of Health (DOH) professional licensees, granting current DOH fee waivers for dentists, and providing an affirmative defense in certain unlicensed activity actions;
 - For the Department of Business and Professional Regulation professional licensees, expanding license renewal fee waivers;
 - For the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services professional licensees, expanding current initial licensing fee waivers and creating renewal fee waivers;
 - For the Office of Financial Regulation mortgage loan originators and associated persons licensees, creating an initial licensing and renewal fee waivers;
 - For the Department of Financial Services professional licensees, relief from pre-licensure insurance coursework requirements, and expanding initial licensure fee waivers; and
 - For the Department of Education (DOE) licensees, creating certain initial fee waivers, granting a temporary certificate in education, establishing a pathway for veteran officers for certification as a school principal.
 - The law gives students who are children of an active duty member who is not stationed in this state, but whose home of record or state of legal residence is Florida, priority for attendance in the Florida Virtual School
- k. Postsecondary Fee Waivers: The law authorizes FCS institutions to waive any portion of specified fees that are not covered under the DOD Military Tuition Assistance (MTA) program including: Student activity and service fees, Financial aid fees, Technology fees, Capital improvement fees; and Any other fees authorized in s. 1009.23, F.S.
- l. Temporary Employment or Appointment of Officers: This bill provides an exemption from basic law enforcement recruit training for an applicant who has served in the special operations forces of the U.S. military for at least five years, provided there is no more than a 4-year break from the applicant’s special operations forces experience at the time of application. The Florida Criminal Justice Standards and Training Commission may require an exempt applicant to complete additional training as it deems appropriate, based on the applicant’s prior training and experience.
- m. Lands Used for Governmental Purposes: This bill provides for acquisition, lease, & conveyance of lands used to buffer military installations and moves the Military Base Protection Program (MBPP) for non-conservation lands into a different statute. It authorizes the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement

Trust Fund (Board of Trustees) to lease or convey acquired military buffer land to a military installation at less than appraised value or to private entities at rates determined by competitive bid, which may be less than appraised or market value, for certain operations. The bill amends ss. 253.025(21) and 288.980(2)(b), F.S., to add procedures for the selection of lands under the MBPP. Specifically, the bill:

- n. Adopted by the Legislature: HB 319 and SB 550 – Gulf of Mexico Range Complex Resolutions

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TAB 6

**Task Force
Financial Report**

**Florida Defense Support Task Force
Annual Budget for FY 2018 - 2019
(as of: December 31, 2018)**

	<u>FY 2018/19</u>		
Revenues			
Program Revenues			
Program Appropriation	1,750,000		
¹ Prior Years Unencumbered Available	546,085		
Total Program Revenues	2,296,085		
Administrative Revenues			
Administrative Appropriation	250,000		
Total Administrative Revenues	250,000		
	<u>Encumbered</u>	<u>Unencumbered</u>	<u>Actual/Expended</u>
Expenses			
Program Expenses			
Advocacy	597,285	298,643	447,964
Analyses and Studies	-	-	-
² Task Force Board Meetings	20,000	-	9,188
Military Friendly Guide	5,000	-	4,508
Local Grant Program	1,329,000	46,157	-
Total Program Expenses	1,951,285	344,800	461,660
Administrative Expenses			
³ Staff Salaries & Benefits	190,000	-	89,670
⁴ Task Force Travel and Per Diem	25,000	-	15,092
Total Administrative Expenses	215,000	35,000	104,762
Total Expenses	2,166,285	379,800	566,422

Footnotes:

- 1 Included funds forfeited by Grantees all years and previously unencumbered funds.
- Line includes venue expenses, A/V contractor and other meeting costs as required for approximately eight meetings.
- 2 meetings.
- 3 Line for two salaried staff. (Executive Director and Grants Manager)
- 4 Line includes travel and per diem for the approximately eight board meetings.

TAB 7

**Summary of
Progress of Task
Force Grant Award
Contracts**

Florida Defense Support Task Force Grant Program – Narrative Report

Created in 2011 under Florida Statute 288.987, the Florida Defense Support Task Force (FDSTF) mission is to make recommendations to preserve and protect military installations, to support the state’s position in research and development related to or arising out of military missions and contracting, and to improve the state’s military-friendly environment for service members, military dependents, military retirees, and businesses that bring military and base-related jobs to the state.

Initiated in 2013, the Florida Defense Support Task Force grant program provides grants to assist accomplishment of the mission of the Task Force. This narrative report provides quarterly updates on all open Task Force grants or contracts awarded in FY 12-13, FY 13-14, FY 14-15, FY 15-16, FY 16-17, FY 17-18 and FY 18-19.

Funding Request Summary – As of December 31, 2018 for Task Force Grant Activity

Grant Closed 2nd Quarter Extensions

1. Florida Defense Support Task Force Grants FY 13-14

Grant # End Date Award Amount	Grantee	Status/Progress
14-05 06/30/2019 \$500,000	(FY 13-14) Economic Development Alliance of Bay County (BayEDA) – LambdaRail Expansion Project	<p>Permits are in place to begin construction. Bay EDA continues to work with Bay County on the application to the US Treasury for RESTORE funding.</p> <p>The path forward continues with the subcontractor who is supporting continued efforts in the plans, permitting, and overall project priorities.</p> <p><u>EDA Bay County contract amendment has been executed to extend the term of the contract to June 30, 2019.</u></p>

2. Florida Defense Support Task Force Grants FY 15-16

Grant # End Date Award Amount	Grantee	Status/Progress
16-136 04/30/2019 \$500,000	(FY 15-16) Highlands County Board of County Commissioners – Encroachment Prevention and Sustainability of Avon Park Air Force Range in Highlands County	Continued property owner coordination and due diligence for the purchase of Rafter T Phase IV conservation easement. <u>The HCBCC's contract amendment #1 has been executed to extend the term of the contract to April 30, 2019.</u>

3. Florida Defense Support Task Force Grants FY 16-17

16-154 06/30/2019 \$250,000	(FY 16-17) Greater Pensacola Chamber of Commerce – Naval Air Station Pensacola Directional Signage.	The TF approved the Chamber's new plan to place roadside signage along the proposed route. The grant has been extended. <u>Greater Pensacola Chamber's contract amendment #3 is pending. The new contract end date is June 30, 2019.</u>
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4. Florida Defense Support Task Force Grants FY 17-18

18-192 05/31/2019 \$140,000	(FY 17-18) South Florida Progress Foundation – To support the continued efforts to establish the South Florida Defense Alliance (SFDA)	Made our first connections to important personnel in Monroe County. Attended Key West MAC meeting and identified several target individuals for potential board seats. Opened up membership and created a membership tab on the website to grow the coalition via online payment. Created high priority target list for founding members to grow future funding base. Introduced SFDA to key people and organizations in Broward and Palm Beach counties to raise awareness about the organization and its mission. Began developing community support plan a SOUTHCOM's service member housing. Continued building the coalition and integrating into the area's defense community, meeting new local base commanders. Initial stages of comprehensive plan identifying important task force personnel for an increase of missions at HARB. Received 25% Advance Payment in the amount of \$35,000.00
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5. Florida Defense Support Task Force Grants FY 18-19

<p>19-100 06/30/2019 \$500,000</p>	<p>(FY 18-19) Clay County Development Authority (CCDA) – Camp Blanding Joint Training Center (CBJTC) – Installation Encroachment Acquisition</p>	<p>Conversations between CCDA, Camp Blanding, St. Johns River Water Management District, and North Florida Land Trust regarding progression of the project continue. Appraisals have been completed, surveys are pending, and purchase offer has been accepted. Closing date to be determined.</p>
<p>19-101 06/30/2020 \$500,000</p>	<p>(FY 18-19) Polk County – Encroachment prevention and sustainability of the Avon Park Air Force Range</p>	<p><u>Contract Pending Execution.</u></p>
<p>19-102 \$90,000</p>	<p>(FY 18-19) Highlands County Board of County Commissioners (HBCC) – Avon Park Air Force Range Sentinel Landscape priority action plan</p>	
<p>19-103 06/30/2019 \$144,000</p>	<p>(FY 18-19) Gulf Coast State College – Environmental Impact Study Scoping/Strategy for Tyndall Air Force Base/ MQ-9 mission</p>	<p>Worked with HQ United States Air Force (HQ USAF) lead Environmental Planning Policy Analyst to get update on the delays in the award of the Environmental Impact Analysis contract in support of the MQ-9 beddown.</p> <p>Prepared for and attended Community Partnership/MQ-9 meeting with Maj Davis, Tyndall CP lead and Mr Glen McDonald, Gulf Coast State College on Sept 11, 2018 and Sept 28, 2018 Tyndall AFB Community Partnership Steering Group meeting. Reviewed Tyndall 2030 Plan, MQ-9 Environmental Impact Statement schedule, Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) and proposed CP refresh strategy. Obtained approval to move forward with community-wide Community Partnership Refresh meeting on October 24, 2018.</p> <p>Discussed MQ-9 beddown with MGen Scott Pleus, Air Combat Command A5/8/9 during Air Force Association Air Space and Cyber Conference on Sept 20, 2018 and obtained his approval to schedule meeting with him and Gulf Coast State College to discuss MQ-9 beddown. Additionally, met with Mr Teran Judd, HQ USAF community partnership lead to obtain counsel on CP Refresh Strategy and to identify way that community partnership program could support MQ-9 beddown.</p>

19-104 06/30/2019 \$95,000	(FY 18-19) Bay County Board of County Commissioners – Expeditionary Innovation Center (EXWERX)	Contract executed.
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1. Florida Defense Support Task Force Grants FY 12-13

Grant # End Date Award Amount	Grantee	Status/Progress
13-02 06/30/15 \$350,000	(FY 12-13) National Center for Simulation (Orlando) – Threat mitigation plan	Project completed as of 06/05/15. \$0.15 reverted back to the Task Force control. <u>Grant closed.</u>
13-03 04/17/14 \$100,000	(FY 12-13) Florida 8 A Alliance – Support veteran and defense small businesses	Project completed as of 04/17/14. \$300.56 reverted back to the Task Force control. <u>Grant closed.</u>
13-05 03/31/15 \$500,000	(FY 12-13) Highlands County – Acquire land or easements to prevent encroachment at Avon Park Range	Project completed as of 04/14/15. All grant funds expended. <u>Grant closed.</u>
13-06 04/30/14 \$160,000	(FY 12-13) Santa Rosa County – Build a fence to separate NAS Whiting Field from the Whiting Aviation Park.	Project completed as of 04/07/14. \$30,600 reverted back to the Task Force control. <u>Grant closed.</u>
13-07 01/31/15 \$130,000	(FY 12-13) Tampa Bay Defense Alliance (TBDA)– Establish cohesive organization	Project completed as of 01/31/15. \$769.37 reverted back to the Task Force control. <u>Grant closed.</u>
13-08 06/23/14 \$225,000	(FY 12-13) The Andrews Institute – Provide treatment for special operations wounded warriors	Completed treatment for 50 wounded warriors for an average of 5 weeks per participant as of 12/31/13. All grant funds expended. <u>Grant closed.</u>

13-10 05/11/15 \$200,000	(FY 12-13) City of Jacksonville Military Affairs, Veterans and Disabled Services Department – Creation of a support maritime research and development capability at NS Mayport	Project completed as of 5/11/15. \$28,474.23 reverted back to the Task Force control. <u>Grant closed.</u>
13-11 12/11/14 \$250,000	(FY 12-13) City of Jacksonville Military Affairs, Veterans and Disabled Services Department – Creation of new explosives disposal proficiency training range bunker on Jacksonville Air Guard Base	Project completed as of 11/07/14. \$318.00 reverted back to the Task Force control. <u>Grant closed.</u>

2. Florida Defense Support Task Force Grants FY 13-14

Grant # End Date Award Amount	Grantee	Status/Progress
14-02 7/31/15 \$474,000	(FY 13-14) Clay County Development Authority – Camp Blanding Joint Training Center (CBJTC) – Airspace Control System	Project completed as of 7/31/15. All grant funds expended. <u>Grant closed.</u>
14-03 03/12/15 \$255,000	(FY 13-14) Clay County Development Authority – Camp Blanding Joint Training Center (CBJTC) – Mass Warning and Notification System	The installation of mass notification system was completed on 07/08/14. All grant funds expended. <u>Grant closed</u>
14-04 01/23/15 \$25,000	(FY 13-14) City of Niceville – Implementation of 2009 Eglin AFB Joint Land Use Study (JLUS) Recommendations	Project completed as of 03/19/15. All grant funds expended. <u>Grant closed.</u>

14-06 12/31/15 \$350,000	(FY 13-14) National Center for Simulation – Threat mitigation plan	Project Completed as of 04/01/2016. <u>Grant closed</u>
14-08 05/31/15 \$225,000	(FY 13-14) Tampa Bay Defense Alliance – Develop a strategic campaign championing MacDill AFB	Project completed as of 05/31/15. \$1,357.95 reverted back to the Task Force control. <u>Grant closed.</u>
14-09 5/31/15 \$150,000	(FY 13-14) Florida 8 A Alliance – Support veteran and defense small businesses	Project Completed as of 03/23/2016. <u>Grant closed</u>
14-10 05/30/15 \$195,000	(FY 13-14) Economic Development Council of Okaloosa County – Tri-County Community Partnership Initiative (TCPI)	Project completed as of 05/30/15. \$22,291.54 reverted back to the Task Force control. <u>Grant closed.</u>
14-11 04/24/15 \$50,000	(FY 13-14) Florida’s Great Northwest – Five County Marketing Diversification Plan	Project completed as of 03/19/15. \$0.04 reverted back to the Task Force control. <u>Grant closed.</u>

3. Florida Defense Support Task Force Grants FY 14-15

Grant # End Date Award Amount	Grantee	Status/Progress
15-01 07/31/2016 \$400,000	(FY 14-15) Clay County Development Authority – Purchase of 159 acres adjacent to Camp Blanding to provide buffer from incompatible land development and encroachment	Project completed as of 07/27/2016 \$5,274.25 was reverted. <u>Grant closed.</u>

15-02 05/31/2016 \$150,000	(FY 14-15) Tampa Bay Defense Alliance (TBDA) – Execute strategic plan (MacDill 2025) to champion MacDill AFB	TBDA held meeting with local stakeholders, and attended the Association of Defense Communities (ADC) Conference, the NDIA SOFIC training, and other events which afforded them an opportunity to showcase MacDill AFB. The organization continues to advocate for MacDill. <u>Grant closed.</u>
15-03 08/31/16 \$350,000	(FY 14-15) University of West Florida – Implement program to identify and train military and veterans in information technology and cybersecurity skills	Project completed as of 08/31/2016 All Funds Expended <u>Grant closed.</u>
15-04 06/30/2017 \$240,000	(FY 14-15) National Center for Simulation – Implement strategic plan to retain Team Orlando and address office space shortage	Project completed as of 06/30/2017. All funds expended. <u>Grant closed.</u>
15-05 01/23/16 \$285,000	(FY 14-15) Economic Development Council of Okaloosa County – Continued development of public-private partnerships to improve the military value of Eglin AFB and Hurlburt Field	Project Completed as of 03/23/2016. <u>Grant closed.</u>
15-06 02/16/16 \$25,000	(FY 14-15) Florida’s Great Northwest – Implement marketing program to aerospace and defense industries to bring veterans jobs to NW Florida	Project completed as of 11/23/15. All grant funds expended. <u>Grant closed.</u>
15-07 02/16/16 \$20,654	(FY 14-15) Santa Rosa County – Site clearing to improve force protection at NAS Whiting Field	Project completed. Forfeited \$0.25.

		<u>Grant closed.</u>
15-08 04/30/2016 \$100,000	(FY 14-15) Florida 8 (a) Alliance – Develop defense industry and veteran owned small business growth and job creation	Project completed as of 04/30/2016 Forfeited \$319.17 <u>Grant closed.</u>
15-09 08/24/17 \$150,000	(FY 14-15) Career Source Gulf Coast – Provide meaningful employment and training services to transitioning military members	Project completed as of 08/24/2017 Forfeited \$99,528.92. <u>Grant closed.</u>
15-10 06/30/2016 \$200,000	(FY 14-15) Bay County – Expand Bay County Intelligent Transportation System to synchronize traffic lights on access roads to Tyndall AFB	Project completed as of 06/30/2016 All grant funds expended. <u>Grant closed.</u>
15-11 06/30/2018 \$100,000	(FY 14-15) City of Key West – Road Access via Truman Waterfront Park	Grant Completed as of April 12, 2018. <u>Grant closed.</u>
15-12 03/15/16 \$135,000	(FY 14-15) Air Force Enlisted Village – Provide assistance in construction of veterans housing in Ft. Walton Beach area	Project completed as of 05/29/15. All grant funds expended. <u>Grant closed.</u>
15-14 04/20/17 \$500,000	(FY 14-15) Polk County – Protect Avon Park Range from incompatible land use through acquisition of land or specific property rights	Project completed as of 03/31/2017. <u>Grant closed.</u>

4. Florida Defense Support Task Force Grants FY 15-16

Grant # End Date Award Amount	Grantee	Status/Progress
16-01 08/13/16 \$400,000	(FY 15-16) Clay County Development Authority – Purchase 410 acres adjacent to Camp Blanding to buffer from incompatibility development and encroachment	Project completed as of 11/30/2015. All grant funds expended. <u>Grant closed.</u>
16-02 06/30/2017 \$175,000	(FY 15-16) Tampa Bay Defense Alliance – Execute MacDill 2025	Project completed as of 06/30/2017. All funds expended. <u>Grant closed.</u>
16-03 08/13/16 \$41,310	(FY 15-16) Santa Rosa County – Update 2003 Land Acquisition Study and complete phased plan to limit encroachment at NSA Whiting Field	Project completed as of 08/13/2016 All grant funds expended. <u>Grant closed.</u>
16-04 03/31/2017 \$120,000	(FY 15-16) Bay County (NSA PC) – Conduct feasibility study of dredging the turning basin to allow safe transit for larger Navy vessels	Project completed as of 2/02/2017 Grantee forfeited \$8,186.00. <u>Grant closed.</u>
16-137 06/29/2018 \$150,000	(FY 15-16) City of Key West – Truman Annex Sewall Refurbishment	Grant Completed as of June 29, 2018. <u>Grant closed.</u>

16-138 06/29/2017 \$250,000	(FY 15-16) Economic Development Council of Okaloosa County – Benchmarking for Success: Expanding Florida’s Military Test Range Capacity Through Innovation Land Use Partnerships	Project completed as of 06/30/2017. Forfeited \$12,352.85. <u>Grant closed.</u>
16-139 11/30/2017 \$175,000	(FY 15-16) National Math and Science Initiative – College Readiness Program for Military Families	Project Completed as 11/30/2017 Forfeited \$120,396.36 <u>Grant closed.</u>
16-140 06/29/2017 \$100,000	(FY 15-16) Doolittle Institute – Technology Transfer Initiative	Project completed as of 06/29/2017. All funds expended. <u>Grant closed.</u>
16-143 05/31/2018 \$225,000	(FY 15-16) Military Child Education Coalition – Comprehensive Plan to Support Military and Veteran-Connected Children and Families in the State of Florida	Grant Completed as of May 31 2018. <u>Grant closed.</u>
16-144 06/29/2017 \$400,000	(FY 15-16) Clay County Development Authority – Camp Blanding Joint training Center (CBJTC) – Installation Encroachment Acquisition	Project completed as of 12/15/2016 Grantee forfeited \$824.25. <u>Grant closed.</u>

5. Florida Defense Support Task Force Grants FY 16-17

17-161 04/30/2019 \$400,000	(FY 16-17) Clay County Development Authority	Project completed as of 10/29/2018. <u>Grant closed.</u>
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17-162 06/30/2018 \$115,000	(FY 16-17) South Florida Progress Foundation	Project completed as of 06/30/2018 <u>Grant closed.</u>
17-176 08/31/2018 \$235,000	(FY 17-18) InDyne, Inc. – Management plan for remotely operated instrument site in Carrabelle, FL area	Grant Completed as of 08/31/2018. <u>Grant closed.</u>
17-178 08/14/2018 \$30,000	(FY 17-18) Gulf Coast State College – Identify Air Force community partnership initiatives that will benefit Tyndall AFB	Grant Completed as of April 12, 2018. <u>Grant closed.</u>

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