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512th Airlift Wing, Dover Air Force Base, Del.

\$5.062 billion recommended for AF Reserve in fiscal 2013

Under the Fiscal 2013 President's Budget Request announced Feb. 13, Air Force Reserve Command is slated to receive an annual operating budget of \$5.062 billion starting in October.

The fiscal 2013 budget includes \$1.885 billion for military personnel, \$3.166 billion for operations and maintenance to pay for air operations, service support and civilian pay, and \$11 million for military construction.

The desired Reserve personnel end strength is 70,500 reservists, which is 900 fewer than the fiscal 2012 request.

The manning levels for the new fiscal year include 2,888 full-time active Guard Reserve members and 67,612 full-time Air Reserve technicians, traditional reservists, individual mobilization augmentees, and other categories of paid and non-paid reservists. Not included in that total are 452 regular Air Force Airmen and 4,015 civilian employees.

The fiscal 2013 budget request ensures Air Force reservists are trained and prepared to support Air Force and combatant command requirements through training, preparedness and modernization.

The Air Force Reserve is committed to the secretary of defense's efficiency agenda by leveraging new technology, using better business practices and improving its force alignment to maintain a strategic force to meet national defense needs, according to officials.

Command officials said the Air Force Reserve is ready to execute the Air Force's guidance to meet real-world requirements, reduce excess, be more efficient, squeeze costs, and make the necessary tough choices.

The Air Force Reserve budget is about 4.6 percent of the Air Force's \$110.1 billion allocation. (Courtesy Air Force Reserve Command Public Affairs)



512th A&FR recognized at Pentagon

The Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs recognized the 512th Airlift Wing Airman and Family Readiness office Feb. 17 during a ceremony at the Hall of Heroes inside the Pentagon. The Reserve unit here was selected as the best U.S. Air Force Reserve program in the Department of Defense. Holding the awards from left to right are 512th AF&R members Laura Coseglia and Tech. Sgts. Mariah Krass and Ivan Kobetz. Also pictured from left to right are Command Sgt. Maj. John D. Gipe, senior enlisted advisor to the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, Maj. Gen. Richard A. Shook Jr., mobilization assistant to the Chief of the Air Force Reserve, David L. McGinnis, Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs, and retired Navy Vice Adm. Norb Ryan, president of the Military Officers Association of America. (Photo by Tech. Sgt. Christin Michaud)

Dover OSC accepting scholarship applications

The Dover Officers' Spouses Club is accepting scholarship applications through March 15.

There are two types of scholarships available for academic or vocational programs. One category is for graduating high school seniors, and the other is for spouses and currently enrolled dependents.

Eligible applicants include dependents of:

- active-duty, Reserve or retired military members or U.S. government employees assigned to Dover Air Force Base, Del.
- deceased military members who reside in the area served by Dover AFB or
- active-duty, Reserve or Department of Defense members who are completing a remote tour

or deployment and reside in the area served by Dover AFB.

Recipients will be selected on the basis of scholastic achievements, community involvement and leadership ability.

Interested applicants can pick-up an application through guidance counselor offices at most Dover area high schools or at the base education office, library or community center. It can also be downloaded online at www.doverosc.com.

Last year, the Dover OSC awarded \$28,000 in scholarships to 14 graduating seniors and seven continuing education students. (Courtesy 512th Airlift Wing Public Affairs)