



THE GUARD POST

A Quarterly Update from the Texas State Guard

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TXSG CG's Message

The Hill Country Floods of the July 4th weekend will go down as among the deadliest flood disasters in Texas history. Before I speak about our response, I ask each of you to pause and reflect on the lives lost and the families who continue to grieve in the wake of this tragedy. Their suffering is a solemn reminder of why our mission matters.

Within hours of the deluge, the Texas State Guard's Texas Emergency Operations Center (TEOC) was fielding calls from local officials and moving State Guard units directly into the areas hardest hit by the floodwaters. I am proud of the scores of service members answering the call who selflessly took weeks away from their families and their jobs to help with recovery efforts. You'll find more on their work in this newsletter.

Even as the Texas State Guard continues to demonstrate its readiness and commitment to Texas, we are undergoing one of the biggest reassessments of our force in years. We are working closely with the Texas Military Department, state agencies and key stakeholders to identify strengths and areas for improvement to identify how best we can serve our fellow Texans during emergencies statewide.

As many service members know, the Texas State Guard was formed to serve as a homeland defense force more than 80 years ago as the possibility of another 'great war' loomed in the not-so-distant future. As new global threats and security priorities emerge in the 21st century, we must ask ourselves: in a worst-case scenario, would we be prepared to take a similar front-line position today? What sort of missions might we be called upon to perform? What resources and training do we need to meet such challenges? One thing is clear: we need more Texans like you making that commitment to serve.

Among our first steps: a restructuring of recruitment to increase our ranks, raise our visibility, and streamline the process of training and assignment. We are moving quickly, and there will no doubt be more changes to come. In the meantime, I want you to know how grateful I am—and all of Texas is—for your commitment to serve.

Duty First. Texas Always.

Roger O. Sheridan, Maj. Gen., Texas State Guard Commander



BREAKING | NEW TXSG MOTTO ANNOUNCED

"Duty First. Texas Always.":

TXSG Selects New First Motto in Eight Decades



Written by CPT David Brown, PAO, TXSG

The Texas State Guard has a new rallying cry for the first time since World War II: "Duty First, Texas Always."

The author of the winning motto, only the second in the 84-year history of the force, is Master Sgt. Kenneth Baldwin, an Army veteran with 27 years of federal service and deep Texas roots. It replaces the original motto, "Equal to the Task," whose author is unknown. Baldwin's words were selected after a Guard-wide contest, narrowed by a review panel, voted on by service members across the force, and ultimately selected by Maj. Gen. Roger O. Sheridan, Commanding General of the TXSG in coordination with the Texas Adjutant General.

For Baldwin, who retired from the Army in 2015 and joined the TXSG in January 2024, his inspiration was both personal and practical. "In the Army, 'duty' is one of our seven core values," Baldwin said. "And here in the Guard, everything we do begins with duty and ends with Texas."

Baldwin credits fellow Guard members with deepening his understanding of one of those core values: selfless service. "Anybody serving in uniform right now has no idea what selfless service is unless they're doing what the Texas State Guard does," he said. "It costs so much time, money, and commitment with no promise of compensation. I have the highest respect for the State Guard now — and I'm proud to be part of it."

That's quite a statement from a soldier with Baldwin's military experience, which includes nine deployments from Desert Storm in Iraq to Djibouti, Haiti, Honduras, and beyond. Baldwin grew up in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, the son of a Vietnam veteran and grandson of a Texas school superintendent. Today, he lives in Spring Branch, north of San Antonio, and serves as first sergeant for Basic Orientation Training in the TXSG Recruiting and Training Center.

For the record let history note that in the polling of service members, out of more than 250 submissions, a proposal authored by Pfc. Claudia Lopez of Houston ('With Texas, For Texas'), won the popular vote. "Just to be one of the finalists was an honor, already," said Lopez, who specializes in Search and Rescue in the 2nd Brigade. Lopez said her proposal was inspired by her deep love of Texas. "It's not just where we serve, it's who we are," she added.

According to the announcement of the new motto on August 4th from TXSG Headquarters, "Duty First, Texas Always...embodies the essence of our mission and commitment. Duty First reminds us that our foremost responsibility is to serve and protect the people of Texas with integrity and professionalism. Texas Always underscores our unwavering loyalty to the state we proudly serve."

The announcement included the establishment of new traditions: when a formation is called to attention, the leader will command "Duty First," and the formation will respond, "Texas Always." In addition, when passing an officer and rendering a salute, the person saluting will say, "Duty First," and the officer receiving the salute will respond, "Texas Always."

With its crisp cadence and timeless message, "Duty First, Texas Always" links the Texas State Guard's past to its future. Traditions like a motto carry the weight of history, but they also adapt to speak to the times and the people who serve. For the first time in eight decades, the TXSG has a new watchword: one born from the experience of today's citizen-soldiers and destined to be repeated, saluted, and remembered for generations to come.





TXSG HEADQUARTERS

Chief Warrant Officer Michael S. White Takes Top Spot in TMD's 2025 Statewide Fitness Challenge

Written by CPT David Brown, PAO, TXSG

Chief Warrant Officer (CW3) Michael S. White, procurement officer for the Texas State Guard, has proven himself the Texas Military Department's fittest competitor — and he's got the numbers to prove it.

In the 2025 Get Fit Texas Challenge, a 10-week wellness competition among Texas state agencies, White logged an extraordinary 12,277 minutes of physical activity, earning first place among all TMD participants. The challenge, which ran from January 1 to March 10, encourages employees to complete at least 150 minutes of physical activity per week for six weeks or more.

White, who lives in Thrall, Texas, far exceeded that mark, racking up 173 logged workouts that included cycling, treadmill runs, weight training, core work — and even clearing 20 acres of newly purchased land. "I always enjoy doing (the competition) because I'm always working out, so I figure I'd try to represent our State Guard and the TMD through this program," he said.

The TMD competed in the 501-1,000 employee category against 16 other agencies, placing fifth overall with more than 208,000 minutes logged. Across all 122 participating agencies statewide, more than 50,000 people joined the challenge.

For White, the win was about more than bragging rights. "As long as I can inspire one person to get more fit, that's great," he said. TMD Assistant HR Director and wellness coordinator Crystal Vazquez — herself a past top contender — praised his effort: "Mr. White got first place with 12,277 minutes: that's impressive. Next year, I'm coming for him."

Participants who met the challenge's minimums earned four hours of fitness leave — but for White, the real reward was setting the pace for the department and showing that fitness is a mission-ready asset for the Guard. Those interested in participating in the next competition should keep an eye out for an announcement in December, or email TMD lead organizer Tanya Kelly with questions (tanya.kelly@military.texas.gov).



A Potential Game-Changer for Education – and Recruitment

With the rising cost of a college education making headlines, Texas lawmakers have unlocked an exciting opportunity for Texas State Guard (TXSG) service members and those willing to make a commitment to serve.

House Bill 300 (HB 300), passed during the recently concluded regular session of the Texas Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Greg Abbott, doubles the Texas Armed Services Scholarship Program (TASSP) scholarship cap to \$30,000, covering the average cost of attendance at Texas public colleges. This increase provides crucial support for those pursuing higher education while encouraging a commitment to military service.

"This initiative is not only a great benefit for TXSG members but can also serve as a powerful recruitment tool," said Maj. Gen. Roger O. Sheridan, Commanding General of the Texas State Guard. "I want the word to get out about this outstanding opportunity."

To be eligible, students must meet academic standards, register with Selective Service (if applicable), and secure an appointment from a state official, such as the governor, lieutenant governor, or a state legislator. Upon enrollment in an eligible ROTC or officer commissioning program, recipients agree to complete four years of service in the Texas Military Department, including the Texas State Guard, after graduation.

For current TXSG members, this program offers a valuable opportunity to further one's education without the burden of tuition fees, while showcasing the financial and career benefits of military service.

In addition to the TASSP, the Texas Military Department offers other educational benefits for qualified individuals, including State Tuition Assistance and aid under the Hazlewood Act for veterans and their families.

For more details and to apply, contact the Texas Military Department's Education and Incentives Office at (512) 782-5515 or online at tmd.texas.gov/money-for-college.

Sharper, Faster, Stronger: The Texas State Guard's New Priorities

The Texas State Guard is evolving to meet the state's toughest challenges, says Maj. Gen. Roger O. Sheridan. In a recent Commander's Briefing interview with StateDefenseForce.com, Sheridan reported the Guard's authorized strength at 1,925 members—1,700 actively serving—and stressed quality over quantity as the force grows beyond its COVID-era surge.

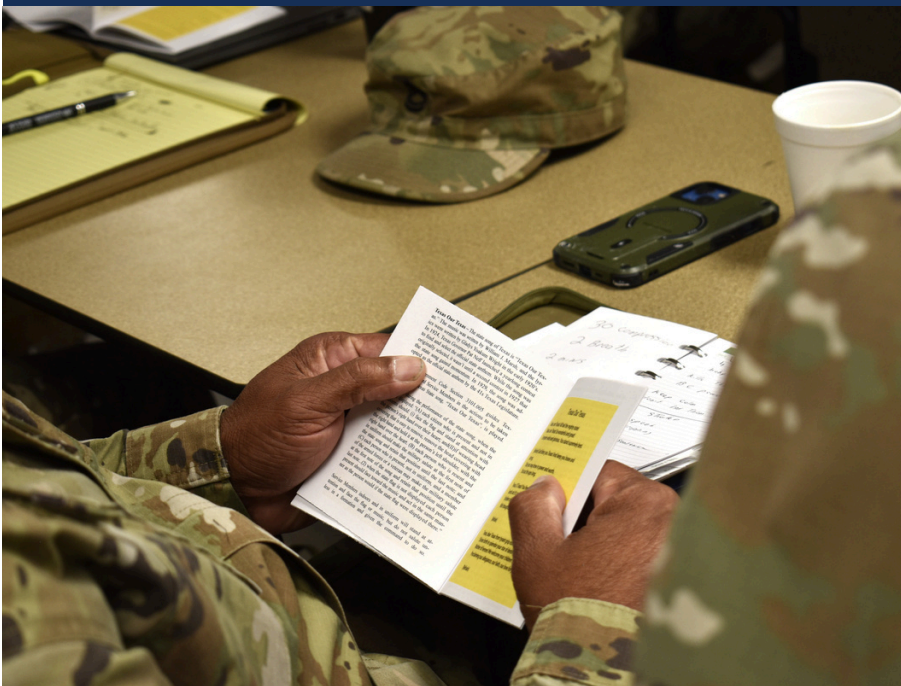
Sheridan's top priorities include professionalizing the force and ensuring mission relevance in a changing security environment. The Guard is exploring expanded roles in cyber defense, search and rescue, and drone operations—while also considering a return to capabilities it once held, such as civil disturbance response. Although the TXSG does not currently conduct weapons training, leaders are assessing worst-case scenarios, from large-scale disasters to potential conflicts, and whether the Guard could be tasked with backfilling National Guard or Air Guard missions if those forces were deployed elsewhere.

Partnerships are central to Sheridan's vision—both within the Texas Military Department and with other state defense forces—to strengthen operations and improve mission efficiency. The Guard is also aiming to tighten deployment timelines, with a goal of mobilizing forces within 12–24 hours for critical missions.

For more on Sheridan's plans for the Guard's future, read the full interview at StateDefenseForce.com.

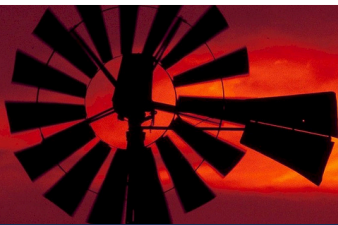
Top 5 Takeaways from Maj. Gen. Sheridan's Briefing

- 1. Strength & Readiness** – Authorized force of 1,925 members, with 1,700 actively serving; emphasis on quality over raw numbers.
- 2. Professionalization Push** – Focus on keeping the Guard relevant with advanced skills and specialized capabilities.
- 3. Emerging Missions** – Exploration of expanded roles in cyber defense, search and rescue, drone operations, and potential civil disturbance response.
- 4. Worst-Case Planning** – Assessing scenarios where TXSG may be asked to assume missions if National Guard or Air Guard forces are deployed elsewhere.
- 5. Rapid Deployment** – Goal of a 12–24 hour response time for critical missions.





1ST BRIGADE



A Message from the 1st Brigade Commander

I am very pleased to use this opportunity to express my admiration of the Vanguard's response and recovery efforts during what now ranks as the fourth-deadliest flood in Texas history.

This began with the quick response of the initial wave of personnel who prepped, mobilized, and deployed to the Kerrville area within 24 hours of receiving the operation mission tasking. During the course of several weeks, 1st Brigade personnel remained on the ground across Central Texas, working alongside partnering federal and state agencies, to support communities grappling with the impacts of this disaster. From initial damage assessments to distributing essential supplies, Vanguard personnel selflessly performed the kind of quiet, tireless work that may go unnoticed in the face of such devastation but certainly is never unappreciated.

To all who engaged in this massive relief effort — from those operating in the JOA, to the many others who provided ABS, C2 and resource support as members of our brigade rear area operations center — thank you for a job well done!!!

Best regards,
COL Thomas L. Mitchell, Jr. – 'Vanguard 6'



1st Brigade Upcoming Events

Here are some of the key upcoming training dates that we are looking forward to:

- ✓ 27-28 September: (SMRP I)/TETN Training
- ✓ 25-26 October: (SMRP II)
- ✓ 15-16 November: (SMRP III)
- ✓ 6-7 December: Family Day/Open House



Thanks to Command Sergeant Major Freddrik Taylor, we were able to capture a breathtaking Texas sunrise that marked the beginning of 1st Brigade's Annual Training. More than just a beautiful view, a Texas sunrise holds powerful meaning for those who serve. It symbolizes a fresh start, renewed purpose, and the promise of a new day in service to our state. For the Texas State Guard, it represents resilience, duty, and the quiet strength of those who stand ready before the rest of the world wakes up. With the rising sun casting light on the mission ahead, the 1st Brigade stepped into training with clarity, pride, and an unwavering commitment to Texas.





1ST BRIGADE

Strength in the Storm: TXSG Supports Central Texas Flood Victims

Written by CPT Esperanza Meza, 1BDE PAO, TXSG

KERRVILLE, Texas — In early July 2025, Central Texas endured one of the most catastrophic floods in state history. Relentless rain swelled the Guadalupe River and surrounding waterways, unleashing flash floods that claimed more than 130 lives, forced hundreds of rescues and left communities like Kerrville devastated. Entire neighborhoods disappeared overnight, as homes, livelihoods and the sense of safety were washed away.

In the aftermath, the Texas State Guard mobilized to provide urgent assistance, from managing donation centers and assessing damage to tracking evacuees with the Emergency Tracking Network. Working alongside local, state and federal partners, they delivered stability and hope to the Hill Country.

"It's a privilege to serve alongside such a dedicated team," said 1st Lt. Madison West, officer in charge for part of her first deployment. "I am deeply honored and motivated to be part of something greater than myself."

Guard members with the 1st Brigade worked at multiple locations in Kerrville, including a central warehouse, coordinating logistics with the Incident Support Task Force. They packed clothing, food, medical kits and other essential supplies onto semi-trucks, managed traffic flow and directed volunteers. They also collected donations from the community and delivered supplies to surrounding areas.

A highlight of the mission was visits from Maj. Gen. Roger Sheridan and Texas Adjutant General Maj. Gen. Thomas Suelzer to the Kerrville warehouse, where they toured the facility, thanked service members for their dedication and praised their professionalism and hard work.

"The dedication of Texas State Guard members has been clear throughout the Guadalupe River flood response," said Pfc. Kristopher Mettlen, who had been on duty since the initial deployment. "It was an honor to serve on this mission. There was nowhere else I'd rather be than here, doing my part."

"This was the most spiritually moving and emotionally difficult mission I've ever deployed to," said Sgt. Maj. Ed Lack. "Witnessing the loss and destruction reminded me why I joined the Texas State Guard nearly 20 years ago. This was the mission for the Guard, and we had to be here from the first day to the last."

Their words reflect the courage, compassion and commitment of the Guard as they continue helping Central Texas recover.





1ST BRIGADE

There Is a Place for You Here: A Prior-Service Perspective on Joining the TXSG

Editor's note: This article is part of a series of perspective pieces written by members of the Texas State Guard. The views expressed are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the official policy or position of the Texas Military Department.

By Sgt. Christopher Alexander, HQ, 1BDE, TXSG

After serving in combat arms and information operations units in both the active Army and the National Guard, I thought my time in uniform was over. Yet the desire to serve never left. What changed was my focus: I wanted to serve Texans in Texas, not deploy overseas again.

As prior service, I did not attend the resident Basic Orientation Training. Instead, I completed the training online, supplemented by a few focused drills. The goal was not to relearn military basics, but to understand how the Texas State Guard operates and how I could contribute.

New enlisted members begin by certifying as a mass care specialist (MOSQ 1330), a foundational role in emergency shelter operations. From there, paths open. In 1st Brigade, I was part of the first cohort in a new onboarding initiative. I received a briefing from the commander, participated in an interview matching my skills and interests to available roles, and was assigned a mentor to help me get oriented.

During my in-brief, Col. Thomas Mitchell Jr., our 1st Brigade commander, said, "In this organization, the junior enlisted person might be a CEO of a small company." I saw it firsthand. I also stood beside an officer with Marine jump wings and a scuba bubble. The diversity of talent and professionalism in the Texas State Guard is remarkable, prior service or not.

I came back to uniform not to relive the past, but to find new purpose. In the Texas State Guard, I found it. Whether you are a veteran or a first-time volunteer, there is a place for you here.



Texas State Guard Supports TDEM Conference

By Capt. Esperanza Meza 1st Brigade Public Affairs Office, Texas State Guard

FORT WORTH, Texas — First Brigade members of the Texas State Guard supported the Texas Division of Emergency Management Conference in Fort Worth from May 27 to May 30 by assisting with attendee check-in using the Emergency Tracking Network application. While at the conference, they also received hands-on training with the system.

The annual TDEM Conference brings together emergency management professionals from across Texas to exchange knowledge, share best practices and strengthen interagency coordination. By participating, the Texas State Guard reinforced its commitment to building partnerships that improve statewide emergency response capabilities.

Their involvement highlights the Guard's role in supporting civil authorities during disasters and large-scale incidents. Whether in the field or behind the scenes, the Guard continues to be a critical force, helping ensure Texans are prepared and protected when emergencies strike.





2ND BRIGADE

Message from the 2BDE Commander

As the new commander of 2nd Brigade, it is an honor and a privilege that is not taken lightly. The 2nd Brigade is responsible for 51 counties along the eastern and southeastern portions of Texas that are often impacted being so close to the Gulf Coast. Our ability to prepare, adapt and respond are essential to our mission in supporting the citizens of Texas. To that end, my goal is to build a new command team and other key positions throughout the brigade, that focuses upon preparing for future missions. That training focus will be down to the squad level where each and every member of the brigade makes a difference. That dedication, professionalism, commitment and accountability will ensure individual and collective growth that will make for better teams and a stronger brigade.

Leaders must always lead from the front because our personnel deserve no less than the best we can offer them. Ensuring individual training is completed, collective training within units and the brigade is validated and executed with our partner agencies will prepare us for the future.

Lastly, I would be remiss not noting the collective accomplishments for the past three months as well as the individual accomplishments. The 2nd Brigade had a busy last quarter with annual training at the RELLIS Campus in April, AirX support and 4th Battalion HURREX in May, and the change of command in June. The change of command saw the retirement of the command team of Brig. Gen. Grantham and Command Sgt. Maj. Marshall as well as the G-3 Lt. Col. Schmid and Chief Warrant Officer 3 Lemmings. All great and dedicated members of the Texas State Guard who left an enduring mark upon the brigade and its members. I am grateful to have known and worked with each of them during my time in the Texas State Guard.

Col. Arthur Levesque, Commander, 2nd Brigade



2nd Brigade Upcoming Events

Here are some of the key upcoming training dates that we are looking forward to:

- ☑ August: 3BN METL training; IBN Mentorship
- ☑ Sept: San Jacinto Monument Ruck March; HF Radio Comms Training
- ☑ October: METL training; 501c3 Texas Toy Drive Support

Suicide Intervention Officers to Support 2nd Brigade

By Chief Warrant Officer 2 Gregory Illich, Texas State Guard 2nd Brigade Public Affairs Office

Two Texas State Guard members in 2nd Brigade are now certified as suicide intervention officers after completing the Army's ACE — Ask, Care, Escort — suicide prevention training. They will lead training across the brigade to help service members recognize warning signs, reduce risks and connect peers with lifesaving support.

The certification followed two days of instruction led by Courtney Danner, risk reduction coordinator for the Texas Military Department. While most participants in the train-the-trainer course were members of the Texas National Guard, Danner said it was important to extend the program to the State Guard.

"This training strengthens our safety net and helps ensure no one falls through the cracks," Danner said. "It is about loyalty to our people, the duty to help them, respect for their challenges and the personal courage to step in when needed."

Chaplain Maj. John Mathews, 2nd Brigade chaplain, said the program will be critical at the unit level. "Chaplains are often called on during crises, but we can't be everywhere," Mathews said. "ACE empowers service members to be the first line of defense — to ask, to care through active listening and to escort a fellow Guardsman to help."

Service members in crisis can dial 988 to connect with the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline, which provides free, confidential support 24 hours a day. For non-crisis needs, the Texas Military Department Counseling Program offers free counseling by phone, video or in person. More information is available at tmd.texas.gov/crisis-support-now.



2ND BRIGADE

2nd Brigade Leads Hurricane Readiness Exercise in Fort Bend County

By Chief Warrant Officer 2 Gregory Illich, 2nd Brigade Public Affairs Office, Texas State Guard

RICHMOND, Texas — Guardsmen of 4th Battalion, 2nd Brigade, Texas State Guard, led a joint hurricane readiness exercise (HURREX) with all brigade battalions and the Fort Bend County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management on May 17, 2025.

In the large-scale drill, service members operated a Point of Distribution (POD) to hand out water and basic supplies, provided triage and emergency medical care, and established and ran a congregate shelter inside a local gymnasium. Volunteer role players allowed guardsmen to test their ability to deliver care and services in a realistic environment while integrating operations with Fort Bend County officials and the American Red Cross.

Brigade Operations Officer and former 4th Battalion Commander Lt. Col. William Carroll emphasized that practicing with local partners is critical to mission success. "It is ideal to train with the actual agencies and personnel we will be working with during an emergency to ensure smooth integration and success through familiarity with processes," Carroll said.

The exercise comes at a critical time: the state is now entering the height of hurricane season, historically the most dangerous period for Texas coastal communities. Meteorologists warn that Texas is overdue for a major hurricane, and experts stress the importance of preparing for the worst before disaster strikes.

2nd Brigade, headquartered near the Gulf Coast, is considered the "tip of the spear" for the Texas State Guard's hurricane response missions. Its location makes it the first line of support when tropical storms or hurricanes make landfall, often requiring rapid deployment to vulnerable coastal counties. The brigade's training and readiness are vital to ensuring lifesaving aid and order in the first hours of a storm's aftermath.

True to its motto, 2nd Brigade remains *ad omnia parati* — ready for anything.

(Photos by Chief Warrant Officer 2 Gregory Illich)





2ND BRIGADE



Col. Gary Dickey Awarded Texas Outstanding Service Medal

HOUSTON — Col. Gary D. Dickey received the Texas Outstanding Service Medal for his contributions to the 2nd Brigade, Texas State Guard, during a ceremony May 17, 2025, at the Texas National Guard Armory.

Brig. Gen. E.A. "Buddy" Grantham, former commander of 2nd Brigade, presented the award in recognition of Dickey's leadership and service concluding his tenure in the Texas State Guard and a 27-year career in the active duty and reserve U.S. Army.

According to the award citation, Dickey joined the Texas State Guard after his federal service to share his expertise in military planning and operations. As the brigade's G-3, he oversaw training, plans and operations, ensuring mission readiness. He later served as assistant brigade commander and executive officer, where he commanded the headquarters company in the commander's absence and expanded officer professional training and district coordination programs.

(Texas State Guard photo by Chief Warrant Officer 2 Gregory Illich)



Lt. Col. Michael Laird Awarded Texas Outstanding Service Medal

HOUSTON — Lt. Col. Michael Laird was awarded the Texas Outstanding Service Medal by Brig. Gen. E.A. "Buddy" Grantham during a ceremony June 29, 2025, at the Texas National Guard Armory marking the end of his tenure in the Texas State Guard.

Laird joined the Texas State Guard immediately after retiring from the U.S. Army, where he served more than 27 years in active and reserve duty. As planning officer on the 2nd Brigade command staff, he helped lead the post-COVID reorganization of the 8th Regiment into the brigade and developed a four-year training plan following the Army's "crawl, walk, run" philosophy.

He also directed the annual Wings Over Houston exercise for four consecutive years, coordinating more than 160 guardsmen in multi-day operations that grew in scale and complexity each year. His efforts strengthened mission readiness and improved training across the brigade.

(Texas State Guard photo by Chief Warrant Officer 2 Gregory Illich)





3RD BRIGADE

A Message from the 3rd Brigade Commander

It is my distinct honor to have been given command of the 3rd Brigade. As a plankholder, I've been with the organization from its inception, and seeing it come together from several disparate organizations and gel into a coherent whole has been nothing short of amazing.

My goal during my tenure is to continue down the path of excellence that my predecessors started us on. The first goal is to be brilliant at the basics; every soldier is a GSU member, and we need to ensure that all hands are ready and able to fulfill that responsibility. The second is to continue leadership development at all ranks, but especially the backbone of our brigade: the NCOs.

In turn, my goal is to be as present as possible and get out among the units as often as I can. In the near future, I look forward to meeting as many brigade members as possible.
Col. Ian T. Arvizo, 3rd Brigade Commander



3rd Brigade Upcoming Events

Here are key steps to take control of your company's financial health:

- ☒ Dec. 17: HEB 2022 Feast of Sharing dinner, Weslaco
- ☒ Dec. 23: HEB 2022 Feast of Sharing dinner, American Bank Conv. Ctr.





3RD BRIGADE

Texas State Guard Continues Relief Efforts in Kerrville Following Severe Weather

By 1LT Joe Martinez, 3BDE PAO, TXSG

KERRVILLE, Texas – A team of 30 service members from the 3rd Brigade arrived in Kerrville on Aug. 5 to take over operations from their 1st Brigade counterparts as part of Operation Texas Weather Response, an ongoing mission to support communities impacted by recent severe weather.

The incoming unit relieved the 1st Brigade soldiers, who had been on the ground conducting critical relief efforts and were praised for their outstanding service. The 3rd Brigade team will remain in the area until all assigned tasks are completed, and the community's immediate needs are fully addressed.

The mission, centered on Kerrville and surrounding areas, focuses on distributing food rations, hygiene products and cleaning supplies to Texans in urgent need following the storms.

"The purpose of our mission is to be a force multiplier, assisting local, county and state authorities by taking on critical support roles so they can focus their efforts where they are needed the most," said 2nd Lt. Roberto Diaz of the 3rd Battalion, 3rd Brigade.

The deployment reflects the Texas State Guard's ongoing commitment to aiding fellow Texans in times of crisis. With boots on the ground and resources in hand, the soldiers are working side by side with local partners to deliver aid swiftly and efficiently.

"Our soldiers are motivated, mission ready and proud to be here," Diaz said. "We are Texans serving Texas. It is our honor to serve."

As the weather recovery continues, the presence and support of the State Guard remain a critical asset in helping affected communities stabilize and rebuild.



3rd Brigade Trains to Save Lives in Realistic 'Stop the Bleed' Course

By Joe Martinez, 1st Lt., 3rd Brigade Public Affairs Office

WESLACO, Texas – Soldiers from the 1st Battalion, 3rd Brigade, received lifesaving emergency response training during July drill at the Weslaco National Guard Armory through a hands-on Stop the Bleed course led by certified instructor Frank Stanley.

Stanley, certified through the American College of Surgeons and the Committee on Trauma, used realistic moulage techniques, such as mock injuries applied to mannequin limbs, to simulate high-pressure, real-life medical emergencies.

"I use the props because I want the training experience to be memorable," Stanley said. "To have my students get a feel for the urgency of having to stop a serious bleed."

The training is part of the battalion's ongoing efforts to enhance readiness for state emergency response missions. Participants were taught to apply tourniquets, pack wounds with gauze, and use bandages under time-sensitive conditions.

"During the training, I learned how to use combat gauze and Israeli bandages, and I had the opportunity to take part in combat medic scenarios to try to stop a bleeding wound on a prosthetic arm and leg," said Pvt. 2 Adrian Gutierrez, who took part in the course.

For Stanley, the instruction is more than just a curriculum — it's personal. "I personally have experienced the benefits of this training in my service as a volunteer firefighter with the Lamar Fire Department," he said. "The rewards I get from helping someone in need far exceed the effort it takes."

The training marks another step in preparing Guard members to respond effectively to emergencies, both on missions and at home.





6TH BRIGADE

A Message from the 6th Brigade Commander

Team 6th Brigade,

It's an honor to serve alongside you. The 6th Brigade upholds a proud tradition of excellence, discipline, and mission readiness. The TXSG supports civil authorities during emergencies and strengthens our state's resilience. Our goal: be the "Go-To" Brigade by delivering well-trained, credentialed personnel, unified communication, and accurate reporting. Your professionalism proves we are a capable, resilient team. Stay focused, lead with integrity, and care for one another.

Readiness is our priority. Leadership is our responsibility. People are our greatest asset.

Sentinels Stand Ready.

Col. MacClements, Commander, 6BDE, TXSG



6th Brigade Upcoming Events

Here are some of the key upcoming training dates that we are looking forward to:

- ☒ Sept. 20–21: Monthly Drill
- ☒ Oct. 17–19: Operation Heavy METL
- ☒ Date TBD, Fall 2025: 4th Battalion Special Presentation

6BDE Achieves Full Emergency Response Certifications

By Sgt. Ryan McCready, 6th Brigade Deputy Public Affairs Officer

AUSTIN, Texas — The Texas State Guard's 6th Brigade, including members from Headquarters and the 3rd Battalion, conducted a three-day extended drill in Austin from June 27–29, earning Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), Narcan, and Stop the Bleed certifications.

Hosted at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, the training focused on strengthening readiness and improving community-level emergency response across Texas. Instruction led by Emergency Management Coordinator Richard Hildreth of TPWD and Capt. Meisner of the 6th Brigade included fire safety, cribbing and shoring, light search and rescue, and disaster operations. Troops practiced setting up command posts, organizing teams, and managing incidents using the Incident Command System.

On June 29, Travis County EMS instructors Capt. Daren Noak and Clinical Specialist Dan Brown trained members in Stop the Bleed and Narcan administration. Every participant, including Brigade Commander Col. Johnathan MacClements and Command Sgt. Maj. David Ocasio, completed the certification series.

The training also reinforced documentation skills, such as incident tracking and damage assessments, ensuring members are prepared to support communities.

As the drill concluded, Ocasio issued a challenge to the Texas State Guard:

"We're CERT. What about you?"





6TH BRIGADE



3rd Battalion Deploys in Hours to Support Flood Response

By PV2 Andrew O'Brien, 3rd Battalion, 6th Brigade Unit Public Affairs Representative

CENTRAL TEXAS — The Texas State Guard's 3rd Battalion, 6th Brigade, deployed to the Texas State Operations Center in under six hours to assist with Emergency Tracking Network operations following catastrophic flooding across Central Texas in July.

Within a day, service members were in the field conducting individual and preliminary state damage assessments across Hunt, Ingram and surrounding ranchlands. The team documented widespread destruction, mapping flooded homes, damaged infrastructure and isolated communities.

"We spoke with people who had lost neighbors and homes to the floodwaters," Sgt. Thomas said. "Neighbors would point to where families once lived or where a fence used to stand. It was devastating."

By July 9, the battalion shifted to Sandy Creek near Leander, where floodwaters had cut off entire neighborhoods. Community Emergency Response Team training, including psychological first aid, proved valuable in helping service members support survivors with discipline, courtesy and respect.

Long days, often 12 to 18 hours in intense heat, tested endurance, but morale stayed high.

"It sounds cliché, but this is why we exist: Texans serving Texans," Sgt. Thomas said. "Whether we were working search and rescue, logistics, warehouses or ETN, every task supported the mission."

The 3rd Battalion's rapid deployment and sustained operations, alongside the 4th Battalion and other partners, demonstrated the Texas State Guard's commitment to serving fellow Texans in times of crisis.



Sgt. Craig Wright Recognized for Excellence

By Sgt. Jason Hunter, 6th Brigade Public Affairs Office

EAGLE PASS, Texas (April 5, 2025) — Command Sgt. Maj. David Ocasio, service members on Operation Lone Star, and the Texas State Guard's 4th Battalion honored Sgt. Craig Wright, as he wrapped up more than seven years of service in the Texas State Guard including extensive deployments in disaster response and border operations.

Wright joined the Guard in September 2017 and served on missions ranging from hurricane and flood relief to the COVID-19 response. From September 2021 through April 15, 2025, he was deployed to Operation Lone Star, where he served as lead NCOIC airboat operator and instructor. He also maintained and certified operators for airboats, large inflatables, Jon boats and center consoles, while training more than 250 National Guard soldiers in the boater safety course.

His achievements included maintaining more than 79 boats and 17 UTVs at a 93% operational readiness rate, erecting more than 8,000 feet of border barrier, and completing more than 75 breach repairs. He logged 250 hours as an airboat pilot in command and safely drove more than 17,800 miles during operations.

For his exceptional leadership, technical expertise and dedication to mission success, Wright was awarded the Adjutant General's Individual Award on July 8, 2025. The award was presented by 1st Lt. Marco Hernandez, company commander, 4th Battalion, during drill.

His service reflects the highest standards of the Texas State Guard: Texans serving Texans with skill, dedication and integrity.



3rd Battalion members completed a survival and SARR water test in Austin, demonstrating self-rescue skills in uniform and, for SARR-qualified troops, with weighted packs to simulate flood response conditions.





RECRUIT TRAINING

RTC Trains Largest BOT Class of 2025, Holds Change of Command at Camp Swift

By Steven C. Kahla, Warrant Officer, RTC Public Affairs Office

CAMP SWIFT, Texas — May 28–June 1, 2025 — The Texas State Guard Regional Training Center (RTC) conducted its Basic Orientation Training (BOT) cycle at Camp Swift, graduating the largest class of the year with more than 58 new recruits.

RTC cadre and support staff led the training, preparing recruits to serve as enlisted personnel or professional skills officers in their home units. Over the course of the week, trainees learned the fundamentals of basic medical care, land navigation, radio communications, mass care, shelter operations, drill and ceremony, military customs and courtesies, and other essential skills required for service in the Texas State Guard.

The drill weekend exercise also included a change of command ceremony. Col. Arthur Levesque passed command of the RTC to Col. Pedro Barreda. Levesque assumed command of the 2nd Brigade earlier in June.



RTC Upcoming Training Dates

Here are some of the key upcoming training dates that we are looking forward to:

- ✓ 28 JUNE–1 JULY: BOT, Camp Swift
- ✓ 24–25 JUNE: (Boast) Mercury Outboard Training, Dallas
- ✓ September: Next PME





RECRUIT TRAINING

NCO Professional Development

The Texas State Guard NCO Professional Development Course was held August 15-17, 2025 at Camp Swift in Bastrop, Texas. Fifty Senior NCO attended the course, each Brigade and the RTC were well represented. Courses in Leadership, Ethics, Uniform Wear, Recruiting and Retention, and NCO/Officer Professional Relationship covered were covered in great depth. A wide array of information about House Bill 101, the direction of the Texas State Guard and expectations of the NCO Corps were covered in detail. The course was the first of its kind for TXSG and was a stunning success.



Texas State Guard Members Complete Mercury University Outboard Maintenance Course

By Steven C. Kahla, Warrant Officer, RTC Public Affairs Office

DALLAS — June 23-26, 2025 — The Texas State Guard's T-4 Maintenance Unit, Texas State Guard Training Center (RTC) and service members from each brigade continued their summer collaboration with the first-ever Mercury University Outboard Maintenance Course, hosted in Dallas.

The course was led by Jimmy Grimland, a Mercury Marine master technician with more than 30 years of experience. Grimland instructed 12 State Guard members on critical maintenance skills, including 100- and 300-hour service requirements, proper tool use and standard operating procedures.

"This course was the first of its kind to certify Texas State Guard personnel through Mercury Marine's Outboard Maintenance program," Grimland said. "It ensures service members can return to their units equipped to keep boats fully mission ready."

The training, coordinated by the T-4 shop and its personnel, provided Guard members with hands-on instruction designed to improve equipment reliability and mission readiness across the force.

Twelve service members are now certified in Mercury outboard maintenance and will apply their knowledge within their home units. The course will be offered again next year to boat company personnel from each brigade, as well as RTC and T-4.

Professional training of this caliber strengthens the Guard's ability to respond effectively during operations and ensures equipment remains at peak performance.

EDITOR'S NOTE: State Guard personnel attended this course in civilian attire at the request of Mercury University.





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Adebisi, Adeoyo, PV1
Adeniji, Rafiu, PV2
Aguilera, Gerardo, PV2
Akhigbe, Polycarp, PV1
Alaniz, Ricardo, PFC
Alaqeeli, Nabeel, SPC
Archer, James, PFC
Arredondo, Aileen, PV2
Avalos, Karen, PV1
Avalos, Trinidad, PV2
Avelar, Maximus, PV1
Barreda, Pedro, COL
Barrett, Irvin, 2LT
Barry, Christopher, PV1
Bayes, Joshua, PFC
Benavides, Fallon, CPT
Boucher, Atlas, PV1
Bowie, Jenetta, PV1
Bracewell, William, SSG
Brown, Ashley, SPC
Brown, Justin, SGT
Burns, John, PV1
Camargo, Mabilia, PV1
Cantu, Zachary, PV2
Carreon, Gabino, SPC
Cervera, Ronald, PFC
Cirio, Steven, PFC
Collins, Christopher, SSG
Coni, Peter, PV2
Contreras, Miguel, PV1
Corpus III, Gustavo Tomas, SPC
Cruz, Israel, PFC
Cruz, Aaron, PV1
Cubillan, Alessandro, PV1
De Los Santos, Jonathan, SPC
Deatherage, Jason, CPT
Dietrich, Josh, PV1
Dominguez, Abigail, SPC
Ellsworth, Randall, SPC
Escobar, Jessica, PV2
Esparza, Odalys, PV2
Esparza, Hector, PV1
Esparza, Andres, PV1
Esparza, Luis, PV1
Esparza, Eduardo, SPC
Esquivel, Jeson, PV1
Farley, Kevin, CW3

Fernando, Orlando, SPC
Fierro, Madison, PFC
Flores, Susanna, PFC
Garner, Thomas, PV2
Garza, Hernan, SSG
Gates, Harley, PV1
Gifford, Dayton, SPC
Golding, DeVonne, MSG
Gonzales, Maria, PV1
Gonzales, Roman, SSG
Graf, Brian, COL
Gutierrez, Andrew, PFC
Gwe, Eric, SPC
Hannaford, Christopher, PV1
Hanson, Joshua, PV2
Hard, Cody, PV1
Hartman, Jeffrey, PFC
Hartsfield, Zachary, PFC
Hernandez, Reyes, SSG
Herrera, Reanna, PV2
Holland, Andrew, PV1
Hunter, Micah, PFC
Ingalls, Benjamin, 1LT
Inman, Eric, SGT
Jackson, Arthur, PV2
James, Nicole, PV1
Johnson, Clifford, CW2
Johnson, Rachel, SSG
Jones-Barber, Ericka, CPL
Kerr, Samia, PV2
Kouadio, Romaric, PV2
Lane, Steven, SPC
Legnon-McCauley, Jennifer, CW2
Lewis, Elizabeth, 2LT
Liale, Socrate Siekapet, PV1
Malnar, Jacob, PV1
Martinez, Ruben, PFC
Martinez, Hector, PFC
Martinez, Joe, CPT
Marx, Katherine, SSG
Max-Alalibo, Ibifrisolam, PFC
McAdams, Matthew, SPC
Medina-Avelar, Matthew, PV1
Mendoza, Ignacio, SPC
Miller, Jonathan, CPT
Montelongo, Saul, PFC
Moreno, David, SPC
Moreno, Daniel, PV1
Mulango, Mokanya, PV2
Mullen, Devin, MAJ
Najera, Michelle, SPC

Cybersecurity: Why It Matters for Every Service Member

Written by MSG John Gately, T6-NCOIC

In today's world, the cyber battlefield is just as real as the one on the ground. Every click, every email, and every login is a potential target for bad actors — hackers, scammers, and even foreign adversaries — who are constantly looking for ways to exploit weaknesses and compromise the Texas State Guard's systems.

When you check your Texas State Guard email, you aren't just reading messages. You're handling communications that may include operations, readiness, and personal information about fellow service members. If a cyber threat gets through, the consequences aren't limited to your inbox — they can disrupt missions, expose sensitive data, and directly impact our ability to serve Texans in times of need.

Remember: Your Guard email is a mission-critical resource. Treat it with the same seriousness and vigilance as any other duty assignment. Just as we would never leave a gate unguarded, we cannot leave the digital door open for bad actors.

The Threats You Face

- **Phishing Emails:** Messages that look official but are designed to trick you into clicking a bad link or giving away your login.
- **Malware & Viruses:** Software hidden in attachments or downloads that can steal data or shut down your device.
- **Social Engineering:** Hackers pretending to be someone you trust to gain information.
- **Credential Theft:** If your Guard email login is compromised, attackers can impersonate you or access secure systems.





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Nino, Matthew, SGT
Njohndi, Simpson, PV1
Northcutt, Richard, SPC
Nwosu, Paul, PV1
Ochoa, Alberto, SGT
Odom, James, PV1
Ogunleye, Abolade, SPC
Ohale, Simonpeter, PV1
Ojumb, Eric, SPC
Olaitan, Adeniyi, PV1
Onakoya, Sunday, SPC
Ortega, Juan, PFC
Pena, Jasmine, SPC
Perez, Juan, PV2
Petreczko, Jan, LTC
Pimentel, Erik, PV1
Platt, Shaun, PV1
Rachel, Marc, PV1
Robinson, Melissa, SGT
Rodriguez, Gerardo, PV1
Rodriguez, Gerardo, CPT
Rodriguez, Maria, SGT
Rodriguez, MariaDelRosario, PV2
Russell, Christopher, PFC
Salas, Jacob, PV1
Samp, Noah, SPC

Sanders, Joshua, PV2
Santillan, Maricela, PV1
Seethoff, Scott, SPC
Sewell, Thomas, CPT
Smith, Sheri, SPC
Sousa, Matthew, PV2
Squire, Darren, SPC
Stevenson, Kathleen, PFC
Stewart II, Jermaine, SPC
Stringfellow, Ryan, CPL
Surdam, Zeb, ISG
Takwo, Valery, SPC
Taylor, Jonathan, PV1
Tipton, David, SGT
Torres, Ryan, PV1
Torres, Eduardo, PV1
Trejo, Karla, PV1
Trevino, Stephanie, PV2
Trevino, Yvette, PV2
Udeagha, Ikenna, PV1
Umar, Ahmed, PV2
Valdez, JoseAngel, PV2
Vargas, Joshua, PV1
Wagner, Tyler, PV2
Walker, Bradley, SPC
Walker, Audrey, PFC
Wallace, Gabriel, PV1
Weaver, Jackson, PFC
Whitt, Christopher, CPT
Wilson, Daniel, SPC
Wing, David, PV2
Woodland, Sam, PV2
Zuniga, Javier, PV2

Cybersecurity: Why It Matters for Every Service Member (Continued from Page 17)

How to Protect Yourself and the Guard

1. Stop and Think Before You Click
 - Don't click links or open attachments unless you are certain of the sender.
 - Hover over links to check the real web address.
2. Strong Passwords & Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)
 - Use a strong, unique password for your Guard email.
 - Turn on MFA whenever it's available.
3. Report Suspicious Activity
 - If you get a suspicious email, do not reply or click anything.
 - Report it immediately to your chain of command or IT support.
4. Keep Your Computer Updated
 - Install updates as soon as they are available.
 - Outdated systems are an open door for attackers.

Tools You Should Have

- Antivirus/Endpoint Protection: Such as Windows Defender, McAfee, or Norton.
- Firewall: Always keep your firewall enabled.
- VPN (Virtual Private Network): Use one when checking Guard email on public Wi-Fi.
- Password Manager: Helps create and store strong passwords securely.

The Bottom Line

Cybersecurity isn't just an IT problem — it's a service member responsibility. A single careless click can put Guard operations, personal information, and state security at risk. Stay alert, stay cautious, and treat your online activity with the same vigilance you bring to duty.





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Adjutant Generals Ind. Award

Averyt, Alan, SPC
Cavazos, Reinaldo, SGT
Chandler, William, SGM
De La Garza, Juan Carlos, SSG
De La Garza, Juan Carlos, SSG
Gaddy, Christopher, SPC
Kline, Mary, CPT
Letbetter, David, SSG
Littlejohn, Michael, SFC
Pimentel, Carlos, SPC
Saxon, John, SFC
Schmitt, Charles, MSG
Silva, Kaitlan, SGT
Trevino, Emilio, CPT
Whitt, Christopher, CPT

CG's Individual Award

Beck, Christopher, CPT
Beck, Robert, SGT
Bergeron, Kenneth, MAJ
Bergeron, Cori, MAJ
Bishop, Clay, PV2
Costanzo, Christian, 1LT
Cruz, Cristal, PFC
Fomdieu, Chimene, SPC
Fomdieu, Gabriel, PV2
Hallford, Charles, SPC
Hernandez, Oscar, SPC
Hofacket, Jeff, SFC
Hurt, Grayson, PV2
Jones, Caleb, SPC
Juren, Kai, PFC
Kalinijabo, Herman, PV2
Kannel, Donald, 2LT
Lewis, David, SGT
Lopez, Claudia, PFC
Mabbitt, Derald, SSG
Mills, Gloria, SSG
Paulsen, Cody, PFC
Roberts, Samuel, PFC
Semplice, Ross, SGT
Speir, Scott, PFC
Stevens, Daniel, SGT
Vina, Steven, CPT
Whitt, Christopher, CPT
Wright, David, SPC

Meritorious Service Ribbon

Kannel, Donald, 2LT
Kline, Mary, CPT
Kline, Mary, CPT

NCO Professional Development Ribbon

Alexander, Christopher, SGT

SGAUS Distinguished Service Medal

Bishop, Sheryl, 1SG

SGAUS Meritorious Unit Citation

Finley, Robert, COL
Kline, Mary, CPT

SGAUS Professional Development Award

Ocon, Boyd, WO1

TXSG Achievement Medal

Bailey, Kevin, SSG
Bassham, Michael, SFC
Beck, Christopher, CPT
Beck, Robert, SGT
Burnett, Randy, CPL
Carrell, Laura, SGT
Dryden, Ellen, SSG
Duesing, Amy, CPL
Galias, Arthur, SPC
Gorena, John, CW4
Hardin, James, SPC
Lassiter, Jason, SSG
Martinez, Sonya, CPT
Martinez, Derek, CPL
Mooney, Emilio, SPC
Munoz, Marcus, PFC
Ocampo, Jon Albert, 1LT
Prewett, Lisaann, CPL
Repass, John, SPC
Sasaki, Robert, SPC
Stevens, Daniel, SGT
Wolfe, Kevin, SGT
Wright, Craig, SGT



TXSG Commendation Medal

Arenas, Carlos, CPL
Becker, Warren, SSG
Brown, Justin, SGT
Butler, John, CW2
Cowan, Stacey, SGT
Doherty, Connor, CPL
Enocksen, James, SPC
Gorena, John, CW4
Hernandez, Joseph, SSG
Hurst, John, MSG
James, Shawn, MAJ
Lawyer, Michael, CPT
Meza, Esperanza, CPT
Morell, Samantha, SGT
Penna, Matthew, SPC
Scarborough, Angela, SSG
Trakas, Andrew, PFC
Volman, Ilan, SFC
Wright, Norma, SPC

TXSG Exemplary Service Medal

Appel, Dustin, 1LT
De La Garza, Juan Carlos, SSG
Downs, Ricky, CW4
Harper, Lee, SFC
Hicks, Cody, SSG
Johnson, Ralph, LTC
Kochan, Gerald, LTC
Morgan, Keara, SFC
Ocasio, David, CSM
Sullivan, Kirk, LTC
Webster, Edward, MAJ

TXSG Good Conduct Medal

Aguilar, Rene, MAJ
Alvarez, Leonar, 2LT
Amador, Perla, SPC
Arevalo, Daniel, MSG
Autry, Steven, MAJ
Barreda, Pedro, COL
Barrett, John-Michael, PV2
Barrington, Brandon, PFC
Brown, Ashley, SPC
Buckwalter, Rodney, MSG
Clark, William, MSG
Davila, Jesus, SPC
De La Garza, Gladys, SGT
Downs, Ricky, CW4
Eanes, Joseph, SSG
Ferry, Thomas, 1LT
Fish, David, LTC



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TXSG Good Conduct Medal

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Harris, William, MAJ
Hodges, Isabel, WOC
Hopper, Stephen, CW2
Hudson, James, MAJ
Hunter, Briana, SGT
Johnston, John, SGM
Kako, Vanel, 2LT
Le, Hiep, SGT
Mendoza, Ignacio, SPC
Mobley, Derek, SSG
Morgan, Keara, SFC
Morteo, Ivan, PFC
Nava, Manuel, SSG
Nunez, Sarah, LTC
Olea, Martin, SPC
Rea, Enrique, SGM
Riojas, Juan, 2LT
Rivas, Frank, MSG
Roberts, Lantis, CPT
Ruiz, Cecilia, PV2
Runnels, Scott, CPT
Sasaki, Robert, SPC
Sharp, Leyhbert, WO1
Soto, Jesse, CPT
Thompson, Harlan, CSM
Troudt, Steven, CSM
Wallace, Marc, MAJ
Wetegrove, Michael, CW4
Williams, Fredrick, SPC
Woodley, Christion, CPL

TXSG Meritorious Service Medal

Bannister, Ronny, SFC
Barringer, Daniel, 1LT
Brown, David, CPT
Campbell, Scott, MAJ
Coder, Stephen, CPT
Davis, Robert, CPT
Dewey, Michael, SGT
Franklin, David, CPT
Greenwood, Craig, LTC
Harvey, David, LTC
Howe, Gary, MAJ
Kolodgy, Dorothy, MSG
Latham, John, CPT
Lee, Jason, CW2
McCune, James, LTC
McMullan, Joseph, SPC
Moran, Felicia, 1LT
Nitsche, Sharon, LTC

TXSG Meritorious Service Medal

(Continued)

O'Brien, Colin, SFC
Parrish, Christopher, SFC
Raisi, Kameron, MAJ
Ritz, Stefanie, CPT
Stark, Jeremy, 2LT
Turbeville, Norman, CPT
Turner, Kelly, COL
Urbanczyk, Karin, WO1
Vick, Trina, 1LT
West, David, MAJ
Wilson, Trinity, SGT

TXSG Physical Fitness Ribbon

Adeniji, Rafiu, PV2
Aguilera, Gerardo, PV2
Aiello, Raymond, SPC
Alvarado, Alfred, SPC
Arredondo, Aileen, PV2
Avalos, Trinidad, PV2
Bodunde, Omotosho, PVI
Dumbon, Collins, PVI
Dzuno, Blaise, PVI
Escobar, Jessica, PV2
Esico, Eric, CDT
Figueroa, Hugo, PVI
Fowlkes, Dane, MAJ
Gonzales, Joshua, PVI
Gwe, Eric, SPC
Henderson, Rodney, 2LT
Hernandez, Juan, PVI
Herrera, Reanna, PV2
Ingersoll, Michael, PFC
Kouadio, Romaric, PV2
Molina, Jennifer, PFC
Morris, Daniel, PVI
Mulango, Mokanya, PV2
Murphy, Ambunga, SPC
Muth, Joshua, PFC
Ogunleye, Abolade, SPC
Porter, Daniel, SPC
Rivera, Orlando, SGT
Saitas, Christopher, CPL
Salazar, Aaron, 1LT
Sanders, Joshua, PV2
Stout, Amanda, SPC
Talk, Colton, SPC
Trevino, Yvette, PV2
Valdez, Jose Angel, PV2
Viera, Jay, SPC
Wagner, Tyler, PV2

TXSG Physical Fitness Ribbon

(Continued)

Whitten, Jody, SPC
Wing, David, PV2
Wood, Rllan, SPC
Writer, Michael, SSG
Zuniga, Javier, PV2

TXSG Recruiting Ribbon

Hernandez, Benjamin, SGT
Newton, Brenda, MSG
Steck, Anthony, SGT

TXSG Service Medal

Boutte-Prime, Shuemony, SSG
Cunningham, Ira, CPL
Dietzmann, Darren, 1LT
Hogan, Paul, WO1
Hopper, Stephen, CW2
Morteo, Ivan, PFC

TXSG Training Ribbon

Ackley, Monica, SPC
Adeniji, Rafiu, PV2
Aguilera, Gerardo, PV2
Aiello, Raymond, SPC
Alvarado, Alfred, SPC
Arredondo, Aileen, PV2
Avalos, Trinidad, PV2
Cantu, Zachary, PV2
Escobar, Jessica, PV2
Esico, Eric, CDT
Esparza, Odalys, PV2
Francisco, Crisel, CDT
Gonzales, Joshua, PVI
Gwe, Eric, SPC
Hanson, Joshua, PV2
Henderson, Rodney, 2LT
Herrera, Reanna, PV2
Kerr, Samia, PV2
Kouadio, Romaric, PV2
McCulloch, Camden, SPC
Medina, Joe, SPC
Molina, Jennifer, PFC
Mulango, Mokanya, PV2
Murphy, Ambunga, SPC
Ngueumeni, Christelle, SPC
Ogunleye, Abolade, SPC
Pena, Liza, SPC
Porter, Daniel, SPC
Rivera, Orlando, SGT
Rodriguez, Maria-Del-Rosario, PV2
Salazar, Aaron, 1LT





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TXSG Training Ribbon

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Sanders, Joshua, PV2
Shapovalova, Inna, SPC
Sousa, Matthew, PV2
Stout, Amanda, SPC
Talk, Colton, SPC
Trevino, Yvette, PV2
Trevino, Stephanie, PV2
Valdez, JoseAngel, PV2
Viera, Jay, SPC
Wagner, Tyler, PV2
Whitten, Jody, SPC
Wilson, Woodrow, SGT
Wing, David, PV2
Zuniga, Javier, PV2

Texas Faithful Service Medal

Arevalo, Daniel, MSG
Autry, Steven, MAJ
Carson, Jamie, SGT
Clement, Timothy, MAJ
Donaldson, Alan, WO1
Durden, Darin, SGT
Durden, Darin, SGT
Elestwani, Margarita, CPT
Farley, Kevin, CW3
Flaatten, Ronny, SSG
Fletcher, Billy, LTC
Flores, Pedro, SGT
Garcia, Esequiel, SSG
Gately, Johnny, MSG
Gonzalez, Carlos, SGT
Graf, Brian, COL
Harralson, Philip, 1SG
Hernandez, Marco, 1LT
Hesse, Kevin, SFC
Hopper, Stephen, CW2
Hubbard, Rodney, CW3
Hubbard, Rodney, CW3
Hubbard, Steve, CPT
Jones, Charles, SSG
Lilly, Kevin, COL
McLendon, Jason, MAJ
Medeles, Lewis, CPL
Morales, Jeffrey, CW2
Morgan, Keara, SFC
Murrell, John, 1SG
Nevarez, Jesus, CPT
Nunez, Sarah, LTC
Ocon, Boyd, WO1
Perez, Arsilia, CW5

Texas Faithful Service Medal

(Continued)

Porter, Erica, SGT
Richards, William, LTC
Swanson, Frederick, 1LT
Taylor, Mary, SGM
Vanover, Charles, COL

Texas Medal of Merit

Carroll, William, LTC
Lehtonen, Arto, MAJ
Schroeder, Paul, CW3
Spence, Tatiana, CPL
Spence, Orrin, SSG
Steck, Anthony, SGT
Tanton, Zachary, CPT

Texas Outstanding Service Medal

Caruso, Christopher, CW2
Cunningham, Ira, CPL
Dove, William, CPT
Garcia, Misael, MAJ
Gately, Johnny, MSG
Grimes, Joel, SSG
Mobley, Derek, SSG
Zachman, Jason, WO1

