

Texas Military Department News

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MEDIA ADVISORY

Media wishing to cover the ribbon cutting ceremony are invited to do so on Wednesday, January 25, 2017, at 1 p.m. and must arrive no later than 12:40 p.m. to allow for parking and coordination. Representatives from the Texas State Guard will be available for interview following the ceremony.

Members of the media are required to RSVP no later than Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2017 by 12 p.m., with the State Public Affairs office at (o) 512-782-5620 or (m) 512-413-7574; email: <u>ng.tx.txarng.mbx.pao@mail.mil</u>.

Camp Mabry is accessed at the Maintenance Drive gate from 35th Street. Media will be required to show credentials at the gate.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Texas State Guard hosts ribbon cutting for remodeled headquarters building

AUSTIN, Texas (Jan. 24, 2017) – The Texas State Guard will host a ribbon cutting ceremony for its newly remodeled headquarters building, at Camp Mabry, in Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 2017 at 1 p.m.

The renovation project was overseen by the Texas Army National Guard's Construction and Facilities Management Office and included updating the HVAC system, technology infrastructure, compliance with state accessibility standards, as well as the modernization of the facilities' restrooms and showers. In addition to being more energy efficient, other upgrades also increased the Texas State Guard's ability to better utilize the building's square footage for training and missions.

The project, which began in April 2015 was state funded and cost \$2.4 million.

Home to the Texas State Guard headquarters, the building also houses its Army, Air, Maritime and Medical components headquarters.

The Texas State Guard is the state's volunteer military agency; trained, organized and ready to respond when a disaster strikes and Texans need help. It is comprised of more than 1,800 volunteers organized into four components – Army, Air, Medical and Maritime – with individual units assigned throughout the state.

Texas State Guard personnel train one weekend each month and attend a four-day annual training exercise every year.

Texas Military Department Public Affairs P.O. Box 5218, Building 10 Camp Mabry (Austin), Texas 78703 For more information about the TXSG, visit <u>https://tmd.texas.gov</u>.

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The mission of the Texas Military Department (TMD) is to provide the Governor and the President with ready and trained forces in support of the citizens of Texas and State and Federal civil/military authorities at home and abroad.

The Texas Military Department is commanded by the Adjutant General of Texas, the state's senior military official appointed by the governor, and is comprised of the Texas Military Department (formerly the Adjutant General's Department), the Texas Army National Guard (TXARNG), the Texas Air National Guard (TXANG), the Texas State Guard (TXSG) and the Domestic Operations Command (DOMOPS).

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