

FOAs, DRUs, and Auxiliary

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Air Force Agency for Modeling and Simulation

Headquarters: Orlando, Fla.
Date of Current Designation: June 3, 1996
Type: Field Operating Agency (FOA)

Mission: Oversee air, space, and cyberspace modeling and simulation requirements and provide joint interoperability standards within live, virtual, and constructive (LVC) domains.

Total Personnel: 21



Air Force Audit Agency

Headquarters: Pentagon
Date of Current Designation: Dec. 31, 1971
Type: FOA

Mission: Provide independent, objective, and quality internal audit service.

Total Personnel: 566



Air Force Cost Analysis Agency

Headquarters: Arlington, Va.
Date of Current Designation: Aug. 1, 1991
Type: FOA

Mission: Perform independent cost and risk analyses and provide special studies to aid long-range planning.

Total Personnel: 92



Air Force District of Washington

Headquarters: JB Andrews, Md.
Date of Current Designation: July 7, 2005
Type: Direct Reporting Unit (DRU)

Mission: Orchestrate support for National Capital Region activities; train, equip, and provide forces for contingency, homeland, and ceremonial support operations.

Total Personnel: 4,445



Air Force Flight Standards Agency

Headquarters: Oklahoma City
Date of Current Designation: Oct. 1, 1991
Type: FOA

Mission: Develop, standardize, evaluate, and certify policy, procedures, and equipment for flight operations and centrally manage air traffic control and landing systems.

Total Personnel: 174



Air Force Historical Research Agency

Headquarters: Maxwell AFB, Ala.
Date of Current Designation: Sept. 1, 1991
Type: FOA

Mission: Research, record, and disseminate history; collect, preserve, and manage historical document collection and oral history program; determine unit lineage and honors; verify aerial victory credits.

Total Personnel: 35



Air Force Inspection Agency

Headquarters: Kirtland AFB, N.M.
Date of Current Designation: Aug. 1, 1991
Type: FOA

Mission: Provide independent assessments of operations and activities; conduct nuclear surety inspection oversight, training, and certification; serve as primary action arm of the Secretary of the Air Force's inspection system.

Total Personnel: 121



Air Force Legal Operations Agency

Headquarters: JB Andrews, Md.
Date of Current Designation: Sept. 1, 1991
Type: FOA

Mission: Administer military justice programs; provide legal research technology and train legal professionals; support the Department of Justice in civil or criminal litigation pertaining to the Air Force.

Total Personnel: 818



Air Force Manpower Analysis Agency

Headquarters: JBASA-Randolph, Texas
Date of Current Designation: June 1, 2015
Type: FOA

Mission: Measure and document Air Force manpower requirements.

Total Personnel: 271



Air Force Medical Operations Agency

Headquarters: JBASA-Lackland, Texas
Date of Current Designation: July 1, 1992
Type: FOA

Mission: Oversee execution of surgeon general policies; provide leadership for medical personnel and medical treatment facilities; promote a cost-effective, modern, and prevention-based health care continuum.

Total Personnel: 363

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Air Force Medical Support Agency

Headquarters: Falls Church, Va.
Date of Current Designation: July 1, 1992
Type: FOA

Mission: Develop surgeon general plans and programs; provide medical expeditionary capabilities and national security strategy; define and execute health care policy.
Total Personnel: 247



Air Force Mortuary Affairs Operations

Headquarters: Dover AFB, Del.
Date of Current Designation: Jan. 6, 2009
Type: FOA

Mission: Ensure respectful handling, dignity, and honor of the fallen; provide care, service, and support to family of the fallen; transfer remains.
Total Personnel: 53



Air Force Office of Special Investigations

Headquarters: Quantico, Va.
Date of Current Designation: Dec. 20, 1971
Type: FOA

Mission: Provide investigative service to USAF commanders; identify, exploit, and neutralize criminal, terrorist, and intelligence threats; combat threats to information systems and technologies; defeat fraud affecting acquisitions and base-level capabilities.
Total Personnel: 2,282



Air Force Operational Test and Evaluation Center

Headquarters: Kirtland AFB, N.M.
Date of Current Designation: April 4, 1983
Type: DRU

Mission: Test and evaluate new weapon systems.
Total Personnel: 599



Air Force Operations Group

Headquarters: Pentagon
Date of Current Designation: April 1, 1995
Type: FOA

Mission: Provide 24-hour watch on current operations; train and staff Crisis Action Team; develop weather data for National Command Authority, Joint Chiefs of Staff, National Military Command Center, Army Operations Center, and other federal agencies.
Total Personnel: 44



Air Force Personnel Center

Headquarters: JBSA-Randolph, Texas
Date of Current Designation: Oct. 1, 1995
Type: FOA

Mission: Identify proper grades, specialties, and skill levels for USAF mission; manage assignments; monitor professional development; plan and schedule expeditionary forces; oversee airmen and family readiness centers; assist casualty reporting and missing in action/prisoner of war actions.
Total Personnel: 2,099



Air Force Public Affairs Agency

Headquarters: JBSA-Lackland, Texas
Date of Current Designation: Oct. 1, 2008
Type: FOA

Mission: Develop and sustain public affairs products; provide combat camera and graphics support; test emerging technologies; manage public affairs personnel deployments.
Total Personnel: 243



Air Force Review Boards Agency

Headquarters: JB Andrews, Md.
Date of Current Designation: Aug. 1, 1991
Type: FOA

Mission: Manage military and civilian appellate processes; serve as lead agent for DOD Physical Disability Board of Review.
Total Personnel: 95



Air Force Safety Center

Headquarters: Kirtland AFB, N.M.
Date of Current Designation: Jan. 1, 1996
Type: FOA

Mission: Manage mishap prevention, risk management, and nuclear surety programs; provide flight, ground, weapons, human factors, and space safety technical assistance; oversee major command mishap investigations and evaluate corrective actions; direct safety education programs.
Total Personnel: 105



Air National Guard Readiness Center

Headquarters: JB Andrews, Md.
Date of Current Designation: June 1, 1992
Type: FOA

Mission: Ensure field units have resources to train and equip forces for state and federal missions; sustain airmen and help shape leadership capability.
Total Personnel: 805



Civil Air Patrol

Headquarters: Maxwell AFB, Ala.
Date of Current Designation: Dec. 1, 1941
Type: Auxiliary

Mission: Provide operational capabilities to support search and rescue, disaster relief, a nationwide communications network, and counterdrug and homeland security missions; conduct leadership training, and career and technical education for CAP Cadet Program; promote aerospace education.
Total Personnel: 56,000



US Air Force Academy

Headquarters: Colorado Springs, Colo.
Date of Current Designation: April 1, 1954
Type: DRU

Mission: Develop, educate, and inspire young men and women to become USAF officers with knowledge, character, and discipline.
Total Personnel: 3,273