

A Message from the Adjutant General



I have been your Adjutant General for three terms, and am truly proud of the service and sacrifice of our Oregon National Guard Soldiers and Airmen.

The stream of deployments, redeployments, overseas operations, tours and state-side missions have been met by every man and woman in this organization with professionalism, enthusiasm and commendable sacrifice. You are the most professional organization I have had the privilege to lead.

Across the globe—in Cuba, Afghanistan, Iraq, and all points in between—we have Soldiers and Airmen making a difference by improving the lives of a myriad cultures while rebuilding infrastructure, protecting lives and property, and helping to lift the standards of native people throughout the world.

When I first returned to Oregon as your Adjutant General, one of my goals was to build our ranks so we can provide the United States Army and Air Force with a robust, fully-trained, willing and ready contingent. You have stepped up and answered this call, surpassing my expectations. Thank you.

Here at home in Oregon, our ranks continue to train with the best equipment and gear we can provide. When called upon in response to natural or manmade disasters, our Soldiers and Airmen answer the call with the utmost professionalism and expertise our citizens have come to expect. Oregonians throughout the state and region recognize that when there is a challenging task at hand, Oregon Guard members are the right fit for the job. For this, I thank you as well.

However, we cannot rest on our laurels. Keeping ahead of challenges means continuing our training, staffing, mentoring, and mission preparedness. Yes, we have achieved our goals, but there is always more!

I am proud of the work each and every one of you has done. I fully expect that you will continue these accomplishments as we move forward. Thank you for being a part of the most professional organization in the military. Our members, families, supporters and citizens of Oregon thank you for your dedication and patriotism.

As in the past, and as will be in the future, you are Confident, Competent, Courageous and Committed. You are living the Oregon National Guard motto of, “Always Ready—Always There!”