



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
GOVERNOR'S MILITARY COUNCIL
PRESENTATION TO
REGIONAL LEADERS RETREAT 2021

PROTECTING THE MILITARY IN THE CENTRAL FLINT HILLS

- ▶ **HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE:**
 - ▶ **IN 1852 FORT RILEY IS ESTABLISHED. CLOSELY TIED TO THE MOVEMENT OF PEOPLE ALONG THE OREGON AND SANTA FE TRAILS. PROVIDE MILITARY PRESENCE AND PROTECTION.**
 - ▶ **THE 9TH AND 10TH CAVALRY REGIMENTS.....THE FAMED “BUFFALO SOLDIERS” WERE STATIONED AT FORT RILEY BETWEEN 1868 AND 1913.**
 - ▶ **DURING WORLD WAR I OVER 50,000 SOLDIERS WERE AT FORT RILEY TRAINING.**
 - ▶ **IN 1995 THE DIVISION HEADQUARTERS OF THE 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION MOVED TO GERMANY.**
 - ▶ **IN 2006 THE 1ST INFANTRY DIVISION RETURNED TO FORT RILEY.**
- “FORT RILEY HAS ALWAYS SERVED AS A CORNERSTONE FOR THE FLINT HILLS”**

IMPORTANCE OF FORT RILEY (TODAY)

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT.....CENTRAL FLINT HILLS?

- **FR is the largest employer in the Central Flint Hills Region (CFHR) and among the largest in the state of Kansas.**
- **FR had a \$1.81B direct economic impact to the CFHR and the state of Kansas. First time in 8yrs to rise above the \$1.7B level.**
- **FR affiliated population remains strong with a slight increase to 67.7K Soldiers, Family Members, Civilians, Retirees, & Veterans.**
- **Great work by the community in hiring and retaining veterans.**
- **FY20 saw an increase of over 700 veterans in the 8xcounty CFHR.**
- **FY20 was the second year in a row to reflect a 3% increase in veteran population.**

With a generally accepted Congressional Budget Office (CBO) economic multiplier of \$2.2 per \$1 of direct expenditures, Fort Riley's full economic impact would be more than: \$3,992,767,070

IMPORTANCE OF FORT RILEY (CONTINUED)

▶ **MILITARY RETIREES:**

4,810.....115,683,916

▶ **VETERANS**

26,533.....233,108,000

▶ **SPOUSES**

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“ECONOMIC IMPACT DOES NOT ACCURATELY ACCOUNT FOR SPOUSES”

“APPROXIMATELY 45% OF THE GDP FOR THE CENTRAL FLINT HILLS IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE”

OVERALL IMPORTANCE TO KANSAS

► WHY IS IT IMPORTANT.....KANSAS?

The combined total impact to GSP (output) was at least 10 billion, or approximately 7 percent of Kansas GSP. The military directly and indirectly supported nearly 170,000 jobs (9.4 percent of total employment), paying a total of 5.7 billion in wages. Of the 170,000 jobs created by military activity, military contracts support an estimated 49,000 jobs in Kansas with an impact of 1.9 billion in wages. Output, employment and earnings creates fiscal impacts, or tax revenues to cities, counties and the state of Kansas. The total fiscal impact from military activity in Kansas contributed 49.9 million to city/county revenues, 73.5 million to region (multiple counties) revenues and 270.2 million to state revenues. Total tax revenue collections attributable to military activity was estimated to be 393.6 million. Military activity, another component of the total impact, further affects the state economy by employing or providing income directly to individuals.

DOD ENVIRONMENT.....WIGGINS' CRYSTAL BALL

ADMINISTRATION CHANGE/LEADERSHIP CHANGE IN DOD

- **CHANGES IN PRIORITY.....FLAT BUDGET.....WINNERS AND LOSERS**
- **COMPETING REQUIREMENTS (CLIMATE CHANGE/DEFENSE)**
- **BASING DECISIONS (WELLNESS/EDUCATION/LICENSURE RECIPROCITY, QUALITY OF LIFE).....DR BIDEN, "JOINING FORCES"**

PEACTIME MILITARY?.....PLACING FORCES BACK IN EUROPE?

- **TECHNOLOGY VS PERSONNEL (ARMY/NAVY/AIR FORCE/MARINES).....BILL PAYERS**
- **BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE (BRAC).....A DIRTY WORD BUT A POSSIBLE REALITY**

“COMMUNITY PARTERSHIP IS THE KEY”

WHAT IS SOMETHING I CAN DO TO PROTECT OUR MILITARY IN KANSAS?

NUMBER ONE QUESTION I GET ASKED.....

“WHAT CAN I DO TO PROTECT OUR MILITARY IN KANSAS?”

MY ANSWER FOR THE PAST 5 YEARS.....”APOLOGIZE FOR SOUNDING LIKE A
BROKEN RECORD”.....

“BE AN ADVOCATE FOR KANSAS REPRESENTATION ON THE HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE (HASC) OF SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE (SASC)”

HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE

WHAT IS IT?

- ▶ **The House Armed Services Committee is a committee within the U.S. House of Representatives *dealing with military spending and oversight*. Committee members organize into subcommittees for hearings on military training, housing, research, and other matters of national defense.**

HOUSE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE

▶ WHO SITS ON THE COMMITTEE?

Majority	Minority
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adam Smith, Washington, Chair • James R. Langevin, Rhode Island • Rick Larsen, Washington • Jim Cooper, Tennessee • Joe Courtney, Connecticut • John Garamendi, California • Jackie Speier, California • Donald Norcross, New Jersey • Ruben Gallego, Arizona • Seth Moulton, Massachusetts • Salud Carbajal, California • Anthony G. Brown, Maryland • Ro Khanna, California • Bill Keating, Massachusetts • Filemon Vela Jr., Texas • Andy Kim, New Jersey • Chrissy Houlahan, Pennsylvania • Jason Crow, Colorado • Elissa Slotkin, Michigan • Mikie Sherrill, New Jersey • Veronica Escobar, Texas • Jared Golden, Maine • Elaine Luria, Virginia, Vice Chair • Joe Morelle, New York • Sara Jacobs, California • Kai Kahele, Hawaii • Marilyn Strickland, Washington • Marc Veasey, Texas • Jimmy Panetta, California • Stephanie Murphy, Florida 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike Rogers, Alabama, Ranking Member • Joe Wilson, South Carolina • Mike Turner, Ohio • Doug Lamborn, Colorado • Rob Wittman, Virginia • Vicky Hartzler, Missouri • Austin Scott, Georgia • Mo Brooks, Alabama • Sam Graves, Missouri • Elise Stefanik, New York • Scott DesJarlais, Tennessee • Trent Kelly, Mississippi • Mike Gallagher, Wisconsin • Matt Gaetz, Florida • Don Bacon, Nebraska • Jim Banks, Indiana • Liz Cheney, Wyoming • Jack Bergman, Michigan • Michael Waltz, Florida • Mike Johnson, Louisiana • Mark E. Green, Tennessee • Stephanie Bice, Oklahoma • Scott Franklin, Florida • Lisa McClain, Michigan • Ronny Jackson, Texas • Jerry Carl, Alabama • Blake Moore, Utah • Pat Fallon, Texas

- **6 MEMBERS FROM CALIFORNIA, 2 MEMBERS FROM COLORADO, 2 FROM NEW YORK, 3 FROM NEW JERSEY, 1 FROM GEORGIA, 4 FROM FLORIDA, 3 FROM ALABAMA, 2 FROM MISSOURI, 1 FROM NEBRASKA, 1 FROM OKLAHOMA, 3 FROM MICHIGAN, 2 FROM MASSACHUSETTS, 2 FROM TENNESSEE,**
- **STATE OF KANSAS HAS ZERO MEMBERS ON THE COMMITTEE**

STATE OF KANSAS COMMITTEES (CONGRESS)

CONGRESSMAN MANN

- **AGRICULTURE**
- **VETERAN'S AFFAIRS**

CONGRESSMAN ESTES

- **WAYS AND MEANS**

CONGRESSMAN LATURNER

- **HOMELAND SECURITY**
- **OVERSIGHT AND REFORM**
- **SCIENCE SPACE AND TECHNOLOGY**

CONGRESSWOMAN DAVIDS

- **TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE**
- **SMALL BUSINESS**

SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE

- ▶ **WHAT IS IT?**
- ▶ **The Senate Armed Services Committee is a standing committee in the US Senate with broad oversight of U.S. defense, national security and military matters. The committee's jurisdiction includes the Department of Defense; nuclear, aeronautical and space defense; the Selective Service System; and pay and benefits for the armed services.**

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jack Reed, Rhode Island, <i>Chairman</i> • Jeanne Shaheen, New Hampshire • Kirsten Gillibrand, New York • Richard Blumenthal, Connecticut • Mazie Hirono, Hawaii • Tim Kaine, Virginia • Angus King, Maine^[3] • Elizabeth Warren, Massachusetts • Gary Peters, Michigan • Joe Manchin, West Virginia • Tammy Duckworth, Illinois • Jacky Rosen, Nevada • Mark Kelly, Arizona 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jim Inhofe, Oklahoma, <i>Ranking Member</i> • Roger Wicker, Mississippi • Deb Fischer, Nebraska • Tom Cotton, Arkansas • Mike Rounds, South Dakota • Joni Ernst, Iowa • Thom Tillis, North Carolina • Dan Sullivan, Alaska • Kevin Cramer, North Dakota • Rick Scott, Florida • Marsha Blackburn, Tennessee • Josh Hawley, Missouri • Tommy Tuberville, Alabama

1 FROM RHODE ISLAND, 1 FROM NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1 FROM NEW YORK, 1 FROM HAWAII, 1 FROM VIRGINIA, 1 FROM MAINE, 1 FROM CONNECTICUT, 1 FROM MASSACHUSETTS, 1 FROM MICHIGAN, 1 FROM WEST VIRGINIA, 1 FROM ILLINOIS, 1 FROM NEVADA, 1 FROM ARIZONA, 1 FROM MISSISSIPPI, 1 FROM NEBRASKA, 1 FROM ARKANSAS, 1 FROM SOUTH DAKOTA, 1 FROM IOWA, 1 FROM NORTH CAROLINA, 1 FROM ALASKA, 1 FROM FLORIDA, 1 FROM TENNESSEE, 1 FROM MISSOURI, 1 FROM ALABAMA

41 OF THE 50 STATES HAVE REPRESENTATION ON EITHER THE HOUSE OR SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE....KANSAS IS THE ONLY STATE WITH A DIVISION WITHOUT A REP ON THE HASC OR SASC

STATE OF KANSAS HAS ZERO MEMBERS SITTING ON THE COMMITTEE

STATE OF KANSAS COMMITTEES (SENATE)

SENATOR MORAN

- **APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**
- **BANKING COMMITTEE**
- **COMMERCE SCIENCE AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**
- **INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**
- **VETERAN'S AFFAIRS COMMITTEE (CHAIR)**

SENATOR MARSHALL

- **ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES**
- **AGRICULTURE NUTRITION AND FORESTRY**
- **HEALTH EDUCATION LABOR AND PENSIONS**
- **SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

GOVERNOR'S MILITARY COUNCIL'S CURRENT INITIATIVES:

MILITARY SPOUSE RECIPROCITY

WIND ENERGY/MILITARY TRAINING MITIGATION

FEDERAL IMPACT AID

SMOKEY HILL TRAINING COMPLEX

- **MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) BETWEEN FT. RILEY AND KSNG**
- **EXPANSION OF BISON MILITARY OPERATIONS AREA (MOA)**
- **COMMERCIAL UNMANNED AERIAL SYSTEM OPERATIONS**

MILITARY VALUE ANALYSIS

ECONOMIC GROWTH PROGRAMS – DEFENSE INDUSTRY NEXUS

GMC CURRENT INITIATIVES CONT:

KANSAS MILITARY QUALITY OF LIFE ASSESSMENT (GMC/KSU)

KANSAS BOARD OF REGENTS MILITARY SKILLS ACCREDITATION PORTAL

“CROSSROADS” NATIONAL SECURITY CORRIDOR

QUESTIONS?

