



## 2022 FACT SHEET

### About CAP

Civil Air Patrol is congressionally chartered and operates as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation. CAP performs services for the federal government as the official civilian auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force and for states and local communities as a nonprofit organization. CAP is made up of eight geographic regions consisting of 52 wings (the 50 states, Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia). It is a strategic partner of the Air Force, serving as a member of its Total Force. CAP has three core programs — Emergency Services, Cadet Programs, and Aerospace Education.



**Transporting Vaccines** - Civil Air Patrol supported Operation Warp Speed to expedite delivery of coronavirus vaccines to Americans, many in hard-hit locations more easily accessible through CAP's fleet of single-engine aircraft. CAP's participation in the federal effort freed other agencies' assets to be allocated elsewhere.

### Providing COVID Support

Civil Air Patrol's response to the COVID-19 pandemic has become the organization's largest mobilization since World War II. Over the past two years, more than 40 CAP wings have been tasked with COVID-related duties, such as delivering personal protective equipment, building temporary hospitals and other facilities, staffing emergency operations centers, delivering or serving meals, hauling mobile command centers, expediting test samples to labs, and using unit locations for blood drives, as well as delivering vaccines. In all, CAP members have contributed more than 40,000 volunteer days in response to the pandemic.

### MEASURING OUR IMPACT

#### 108 Lives Saved

Through the use of advanced technology like CAP's cellphone forensics and radar analysis, 108 lives were saved last year.

#### 555-Aircraft Fleet

Operating the world's largest fleet of single-engine piston aircraft, CAP is a force for good.

#### 22K Orientation Flights

CAP cadets, Air Force ROTC and Junior ROTC cadets, and educators were exposed to general aviation through 22,713 flights.

#### 56K Volunteers

Nationwide, 33K adults and 23K youth volunteer their time and energy to serve America's communities and save lives.

#### 92K Hours Flown

The strategically located fleet logged 92,375 flight hours in support of search and rescue, disaster response, orientation flights, and training missions.

#### 500K Students Impacted

Over the past year, more than 500,000 students have been impacted by STEM Kits and related curricula produced by CAP's Aerospace Education program.

#### \$2.4M Flight Training

Using \$2.4 million from the Air Force, CAP's youth aviation initiatives help address the nation's pilot shortage.

#### \$197M Value of Volunteer Time

Volunteers contributed time valued at \$196,927,773 in the past year, serving communities, saving lives, and shaping the futures of tomorrow's leaders.

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**Learning to Fly** - Cadet Tech. Sgt. Anna Rasmussen of the Minnesota Wing poses for a photo in front of the Civil Air Patrol plane she flew to earn her FAA private pilot certificate. She is one of the 140 graduates of CAP's Cadet Wings program — a U.S. Air Force-funded pilot shortage initiative to identify potential young flyers within CAP and provide them with flight training.

## EMERGENCY SERVICES

- Conducts 90% of inland search and rescue in the U.S. as tasked by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center and other agencies.
- Coordinates Air Force-assigned missions through CAP National Operations Center at Maxwell AFB, Ala., at a cost of about \$165 per flying hour.
- Has 5,731 aircrew members and more than 32,000 emergency responders trained to FEMA standards.
- Provides over 1,000 chaplains and character development instructors who minister to youth and adult members and help comfort survivors and victims of disasters.
- Provides aerial photography for homeland security.
- Provides air intercept training, impact assessment, light transport, communications support, and low-level route surveys for the Air Force.
- Furnishes disaster-relief photography and support to local, state, and national agencies.

- Transports time-sensitive medical materials, blood products, and body tissues when commercial resources are unavailable.
- Assists federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies in the war on drugs.
- Maintains an extensive VHF and HF communications network.

## AEROSPACE EDUCATION

- Educates adult and cadet members and the community on the importance of aerospace.
- Develops, publishes, and distributes national academic standards-based science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) aerospace education curricula affecting more than 500,000 K-12 students nationwide.
- Generates interest in STEM careers through aviation-, space-, and technology-focused activities and CAP STEM Kits associated with astronomy,

flight simulations, model and remote-control aircraft, robotics, rocketry, weather, hydraulic engineering, and computer programming.

- Provides educators with 40+ free educational programs and products as well as services that include teacher orientation flights.
- Offers grant and college credit opportunities for adult and teacher members.
- Provides aerospace support for educational conferences and workshops nationwide.

## CADET PROGRAMS

- Attracts over 23,000 members ages 12-20 for participation in its cadet programs.
- Educates youth in four main program areas — leadership, aerospace, physical fitness, and character development.
- Enriches school curricula through after-school programs.
- Offers orientation flights in powered and glider aircraft, as well as flight training scholarships.
- Provides activities and competitions for cadets at the local, state, regional, and national levels.
- Makes opportunities for community involvement available through color guard/drill team and emergency service missions.
- Challenges youth to be ambassadors for a drug-free lifestyle.
- Exposes thousands of cadets to cyber defense careers through CyberPatriot, the Air Force Association's National Youth Cyber Security Competition.
- Provides about 10% of each of the U.S. Air Force Academy's classes.
- Cadets who have earned the Gen. Billy Mitchell Award enlist in the Air Force, U.S. Army, and U.S. Coast Guard at a higher pay grade.
- Participates in the International Air Cadet Exchange program.
- Awards college scholarships in several disciplines.

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