



MINNESOTA WING

CIVIL AIR PATROL

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AUXILIARY

FACT SHEET & OPERATIONAL CAPABILITIES

OVERVIEW

Minnesota Wing - Civil Air Patrol (CAP), the official auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force, is a nonprofit organization with approximately 1,200 members statewide. Nationwide, CAP has 60,000 members operating a fleet of 550 aircraft. In its Air Force auxiliary role, CAP performs about 90 percent of continental U.S. inland search and rescue missions as tasked by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (AFRCC) and is credited by the AFRCC with saving an average of more than 70 lives annually.

Performing Missions For America Since 1941.

Civil Air Patrol is a well proven, cost-effective force multiplier with the capability and capacity to perform missions and services for our country. CAP members are trained and ready to assist the nation in meeting the challenges that lie ahead.

Minnesota Wing has a proud history of selfless service to our country and community dating back to the early days of World War II. With over 1,200 dedicated volunteers in 22 squadrons positioned throughout our great state, we are prepared to serve our communities and fulfill our core missions in Aerospace Education, Cadet Programs, and Emergency Services.

Whether searching for missing aircraft, aiding with flood relief efforts in the Red River Valley, assisting schools in St. Paul with aerospace curriculum, or developing our nation's future leaders we are ready.

Always vigilant...Semper Vigilans!

Visit mnwg.cap.gov for more information.

REQUEST CIVIL AIR PATROL RESOURCES

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Contact the Minnesota Duty Officer to request Civil Air Patrol resources

651-649-5451 1-800-422-0798

BENEFITS

- ◆ CAP is a cost effective force multiplier with over 1,200 trained volunteers ready to serve their community in a time of need
- ◆ Our unpaid professionals perform a variety of missions including but not limited to homeland security, disaster relief and drug interdiction missions at the request of federal, state, and local agencies.
- ◆ CAP's aerial assets help maximize taxpayer and agency dollars by providing the most effective hourly rate for trained resources; at least 1/15th the cost of competing resources; Air Force funded missions may be completed at no additional cost (restrictions apply)



Note: Funding is typically provided by the requesting agency.

- ◆ Aerospace education assistance and resources provided to schools and organizations for aerospace related programs at little or no cost
- ◆ Provide color guard for community events and organizations
- ◆ Trained chaplain corps available to augment agency resources





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AVAILABLE RESOURCES/ASSETS

- ◆ 1,200 well trained volunteers in 22 squadrons located throughout the state of Minnesota; additional outstate resources available as needed
- ◆ 21 CAP owned aircraft; Cessna 182 and 172
- ◆ 21 CAP owned vehicles; full sized vans and mini vans
- ◆ 3 Raytheon handheld infrared (IR) devices
- ◆ Over 100 VHF-FM and HF interoperable radios
- ◆ Fixed digital nationwide radio network with over 500 repeaters
- ◆ 22 ground teams
- ◆ 3 tactical (portable) repeaters
- ◆ 3 chaplains



CUSTOMERS/MOUs

Relationships and/or memos of understanding (MOUs) maintained with the following:

- ◆ Department of Defense (DoD)
- ◆ United States Coast Guard (USCG)
- ◆ Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
- ◆ United States Customs and Border Protection (CBP)
- ◆ United States Forestry Service (USFS)
- ◆ Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA)
- ◆ Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- ◆ National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
- ◆ Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MN DNR)
- ◆ plus numerous other federal, state, and local agencies

MISSION TYPES/CAPABILITIES

- ◆ Search and Rescue
- ◆ Disaster Response
- ◆ Homeland Security
- ◆ Drug Interdiction
- ◆ Law Enforcement Support
- ◆ Air Intercept and Radar Evaluation Targets
- ◆ Fire Spotting
- ◆ Ground and Aerial Digital Imaging & Reconnaissance
- ◆ Environmental Monitoring and Response
- ◆ Air and Ground Communications Support
- ◆ Airborne reconnaissance of border and coastal areas, ports and harbors, and critical infrastructure as "presence" missions; impact and damage assessment and recovery support for disaster areas
- ◆ Damage assessment and disaster recovery with trained ground teams able to augment civil and military authorities
- ◆ Aerial transportation of personnel, equipment, blood, tissue, organs and various customer-supplied sensor packages (subject to FAA reimbursement rules)
- ◆ Communications support, nationwide VHF-FM and HF capability to include fixed site and tactical (ground and air) repeaters
- ◆ CAP has ICS/NIMS trained emergency services personnel available to serve at all levels in the Incident Command System mission organization
- ◆ Chaplain and critical incident stress management support

