



Tri-County Community
Partnership Initiative

Advisory Board Program Update

July 28, 2020
Virtual Meeting

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Welcome



Economic Development Council
of Okaloosa County, Florida



Okaloosa Gas District



THE BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION
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Agenda

- ▶ Welcome and Opening Comments
- ▶ COVID-19 Response
 - May Town Hall
 - EDC Business Leadership Council Meeting
- ▶ National Updates
- ▶ Program Updates
 - DSI Washington D.C. Fly-In Recap
- ▶ Work Group Updates
 - Spotlight: Installation Resiliency
- ▶ Closing Comments
 - Way Ahead Schedule



COVID-19: TCPI Town Hall

- ▶ May 1, 2020
- ▶ Highlights from ADC Town Halls
- ▶ Installation Updates
 - Eglin Air Force Base
 - Hurlburt Field
- ▶ Community Updates
 - Local Government
 - Education
 - Medical
 - Workforce / Housing

COVID-19: Business Leadership Council

- ▶ EDC July Business Leadership Council
- ▶ Special Presentations
 - BGen Cain, 96th TW, Eglin AFB
 - Col Schermerhorn, 1st SOW, Hurlburt Field
- ▶ Messaging
 - Mission essential on installations
 - Mandatory masks required on base
 - Coronavirus exposures off base have attributed to increased infection rates
 - The increase is affecting installation missions
 - The community's support is appreciated

National Update

- ▶ COVID-19 Legislation
- ▶ COVID-19 Impacts to DoD
- ▶ FY21 Defense Budget Request
- ▶ Support of Military Families

COVID-19 Legislation

Approved Legislation

- Phase 1: \$8.3B Prevention and Research
- Phase 2: \$100B Hospitals & Health
- Phase 3: \$2T All inclusive relief effort
- Phase 3Bb: \$484B PPP, Hospitals & Testing

Paycheck Protection Program

- PPP Loan program closed on 30 June; \$130B left unclaimed
- PPP Loan program extended until 8 August
- Expected to see more small business relief as part of a Phase 4 relief bill

Phase 4 Bill

- \$3T HEROES Act passed (H) in May
 - More stimulus; State/Local Gov aid; More PPP & unemployment
- Senate released HEALS Act Monday
 - PPP Reforms; led by Sen Scott
 - Reduced unemployment benefits
 - Back to school support
- Unemployment likely a roadblock

Phase 5 Bill

- Phase 5 and beyond likely to be more focused on getting people back to work
- Broader infrastructure investment possible
- ADC pushing hard for more Military Construction

COVID-19 Impacts to DoD

- ▶ Leadership Priorities
 - Health of the Force: Fight Tonight
 - Stop the spread of the disease
 - Maintain warfighting capability
- ▶ Challenges
 - Recruitment
 - Readiness and training losses
 - Interruptions to procurement
 - Near-term impact on long-term spending
 - Remote work readiness

FY21 Defense Budget Request

<i>\$ in billions</i>	FY 2018 Actuals	FY 2019 Actuals	FY 2020 Enacted	FY 2021 Request
Base	599.6	616.4	633.3	636.4
Overseas Contingency Operations	65.2	68.6	66.4	53.0
OCO for Base	--	--	4.9	16.0
Emergency	5.8	2.8	8.0	--
Total	670.6	687.8	712.6	705.4

- ▶ 3% military pay raise
- ▶ Land exchange for service provision
- ▶ Funds DCIP for FY21 at \$50M
- ▶ Prohibits defense funds for border wall
- ▶ Returns unexpended FY20 funds from border wall to original purpose
- ▶ Limits deployment of Active Duty to southern border unless reimbursable

Support of Military Families

- ▶ Tripartite letter from Army, Navy and Air Force Secretaries detailing family support importance
 - 45% of AD – Retention impacted by spouse job
 - 42% of AD – Retention impacted by poor education
- ▶ Services plan to incorporate criteria into basing
 - Air Force released framework earlier this summer
 - Space Force Headquarters location based on criteria
 - Ensuring communities are military friendly will affect retention and expansion of military footprint

Professional Licensure Framework Criteria		
Category	Criteria	Source
Legislative Based Criteria (All Occupations Except Law)		
Compacts	Level of participation	State laws, compact organizations
	Level of accommodation afforded by compacts (ability to work)	
Public Education Framework Criteria		
Category	Aggregated & Normalized Criteria on District Level	Source Data
Academic Performance	Graduation Rates	■
	Students' Average Annual Learning Rate	●
School Climate	Chronic Absenteeism Rate	◆
	Suspension Rate	◆
Service Offering	Availability of free and/or universal Pre-Kindergarten	◆
	Student to Counselor Ratio	◆
	Student to Mental Health Support Ratio	◆
	Student to Nurse Ratio	◆
	Student to Teacher Ratio (Certified and Not Certified)	◆
Note: The shapes in the source data columns above correspond to the sources below.		
Source Data		
■	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: EDFacts Graduation Rates (District and School Level) (EDFacts is a U.S. Department of Education initiative to collect, analyze, and promote the use of high-quality, pre-kindergarten through grade 12 data.)	
●	STANFORD EDUCATION DATA ARCHIVE harnesses data from the U.S. Department of Education EDFacts data system and a number of other publicly available data files to aid scholars, policymakers, and educators. The information includes measures of academic opportunity and gaps based on socioeconomic status.	
◆	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: Civil Rights Data Collection (CRDC) (CRDC gathers information on student enrollment, education programs, and school services, broken down by race, sex, English proficiency, and disability. The data is collected biennially from every public school in the United States.)	

Program Update

- ▶ Defense Support Initiatives Washington D.C. Advocacy Fly-In
 - February 23–26, 2020
- ▶ Top Priorities
 - Sustain Military Mission Line Moratorium
 - Protect/Enhance Eglin Gulf Test & Training Range
 - Support Eglin's NexGen Whole Facility Repair by Replacement Plan
- ▶ MML Moratorium
 - National Defense Authorization Act
 - House Resolutions
 - OCEANA Partnership



Work Group Updates


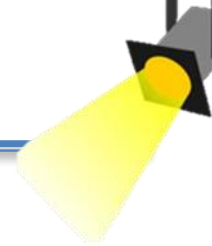


► Installation Resiliency Work Group

- Co-Chairs
 - Eglin AFB: Jeff Fanto, Chief Portfolio Optimization
 - Hurlburt Field: Dana McIntyre, Deputy Base Civil Engineer
 - Community: Bernard Johnson, Gulf Power Company
- Mission Statement
 - To enhance and sustain the military installation's infrastructure resiliency with the ability to withstand, adapt, recover and/or grow in the face of challenges and demands effecting both military and civilian communities
- Common resources
 - Electrical Utilities, Natural Gas, Water Source, Communication Nodes, etc.
- Common challenges/threats
 - Antiquated Infrastructure, Hurricane/Storms, Cybersecurity, Flooding/Sea Level Rise, Lightning, Environmental Corrosion, Salt Water Intrusion, etc.

Installation Resiliency

- ▶ Hurlburt Memorandum
 - June 11, 2020
 - Lt Col Conner, Commander, 1st Special Operations Civil Engineer Squadron
 - To County Leaders
 - Explore Energy Security



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
1ST SPECIAL OPERATIONS WING (AFSOC)
HURLBURT FIELD FLORIDA

11 June 2020

MEMORANDUM FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY COMMUNITY LEADERS

FROM: 1 SOCES/CC

SUBJECT: Community Support for Hurlburt Field Energy Resilience

1. Like most military installations, Hurlburt Field is largely dependent on the civilian electric grid to support the mission. Interruptions in the electrical supply chain can disrupt the mission at Hurlburt Field and adversely impact readiness. The Air Force Office of Energy Assurance goal is to eliminate 20% of the single points of energy failure within its critical infrastructure by 2025, in accordance with the 2017-2036 Energy Flight Plan. By 2036, we hope to have a reliable energy supply for all mission critical functions at all times. This presents an opportunity to develop partnerships to collaborate with industry partners to leverage capabilities and resources to achieve military-civilian community benefit.

2. Hurlburt Field is interested in exploring discussions with local governments and vendors who have solutions which increase energy security and grid resilience. Given the installation's electrical load profile, we believe the base can serve as a demonstration site for innovative solutions to provide clean, renewable energy from sources such as municipal solid waste and biomass. This approach eliminates the cost and the environmental challenges associated with the transportation and disposal of the installation's garbage, while also creating a solution that can offer energy assurance and greater resilience for the community and the installations.

3. We are interested in developing creative ways to leverage our respective capabilities and resources to reduce operating costs, increase service capabilities, and promote mission readiness across the installation. Mr. Steve Loken, the base electrical engineer, will be our lead for this effort. He can be reached at phone (850) 884-6024 or e-mail steven.loken.1@us.af.mil.

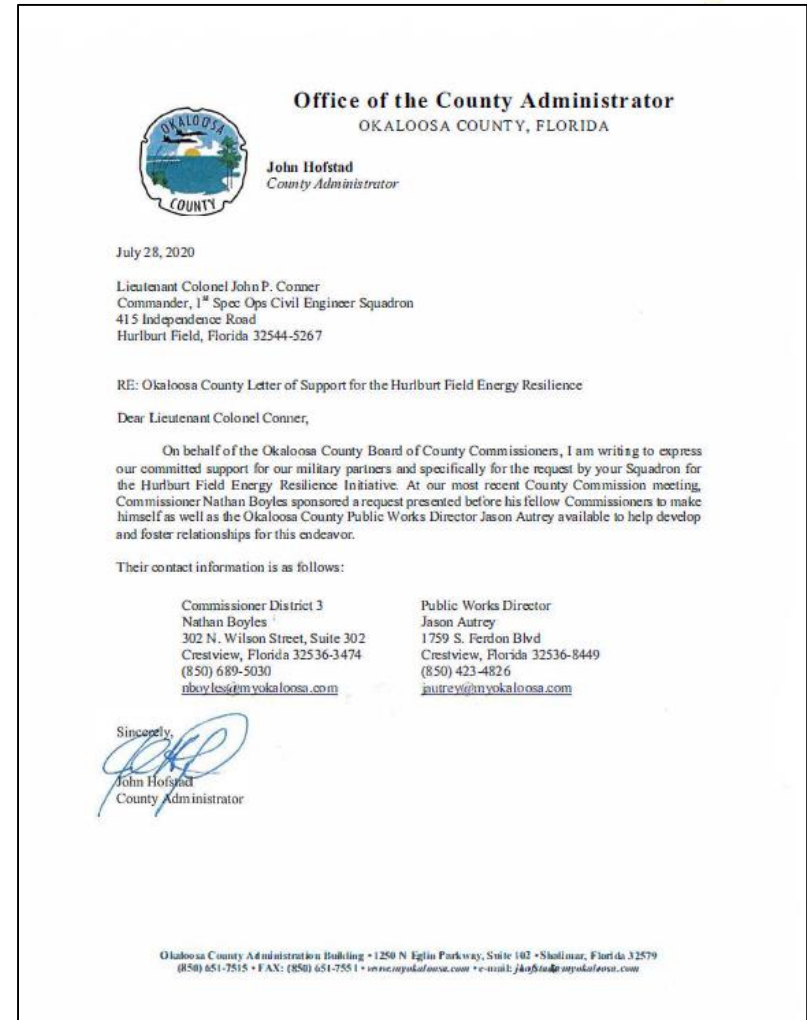
4. We look forward to working with you on this very important effort.

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JOHN P. CONNER, Lt Col, USAF
Commander, 1st Spec Ops Civil Engineer Sq

Any Time... Any Place

Installation Resiliency

- ▶ Okaloosa County
 - July 7 Board of County Commissioners Meeting
 - Energy supply opportunity discussions
 - July 28, 2020 Letter of Support
 - Commissioner Nathan Boyles
 - Public Works Director Jason Autrey



Installation Resiliency

- ▶ Gulf Power / NextEra Energy
 - July 22, 2020 Letter of Support
- ▶ Next Step...explore waste-to-energy



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July 22, 2020

John P. Conner
Lt Col, USAF
Commander, 1st Spec Ops
Civil Engineering Squadron
415 Independence Road
Hurlburt Field, FL 32544

Subject: Memorandum for Okaloosa County Community Leaders: "Community Support for Hurlburt Field Energy Resilience"

Dear Lt Col Conner,

Pursuant to the above referenced Memorandum for Okaloosa County Community Leaders, I wanted to take this opportunity to affirm Gulf Power's support for this effort. I also wanted to express our company's support for mutually beneficial goals, such as our desire to enhance partnerships in our community, to develop a robust and storm hardened electrical grid, and to maintain a diverse energy portfolio so that we can provide safe, reliable and affordable energy to our customers.

As you may be aware, Gulf Power is a subsidiary of NextEra Energy, the world's largest producer of wind and solar energy and a world leader in battery storage. Together, we would like to partner with Hurlburt and the OEA to develop the most feasible and strategic solutions to enhance the installation's resilience, reliability, and responsiveness to recover from threats against the installation's electrical grid.

We look forward to working with you, the Hurlburt Field team and the OEA on this interesting and challenging project.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Susan Melians".

Susan Melians
Vice President, Customer Service and External Relations
Gulf Power Company

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Installation Resiliency



- ▶ Request for Ad Hoc Task Force
- ▶ Explore cell phone coverage at bases
- ▶ Ability for service members to easily communicate with family/support structure is understood by Hurlburt base leadership to be an important part of individual resiliency
- ▶ Coverage on flightline or other parts of base may not be sufficient for personal cell phones
- ▶ Will involve base communication squadrons and local community cell phone providers to evaluate current situation

Career Readiness Assistance

Co-Chairs: Terry Cowan, Janice Barnes, Angela Maberry

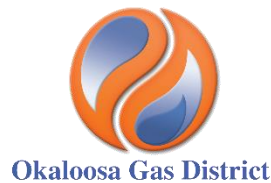
Partnership Activity	Status
COVID-19 Response Leveraged technology to prevent disruption of services.	WG used Google Voice, *67, Zoom, Microsoft Teams, and social distancing (King Auditorium Hurlburt) to deliver services. Warm Handovers conducted from both installations.
<u>Value Added</u> Work Group continues provide measurable monetary value.	Average PCS costs \$8,548. Unemployment compensation is \$ 3,300 (12 weeks), Each transitioning member that enters our workforce and does not PCS is a \$10k cost avoidance.
<u>DoD SkillBridge</u> “Permissive TDY” to intern with community businesses for up to 180 days. 55 community business partners and growing.	Partnership has 52 Transitioning Service Members participating in the program. Notable recent hires with MAG Aerospace, Credence, and Odyssey. Professional careers for talented professionals. SkillBridge retains our workforce talent.
<u>Workforce / Talent Economic Impact</u> Unemployment, Military paid Reemployment Assistance (UCX), Jobs	June unemployment rate for Okaloosa was 6.4%, FL 10.7% ,National 11.1%,. UCX peaked in May, with 34 recipients receiving \$100,880. Reduced by ~ half for June. 5,685 Jobs posted –30 days.

Workforce Housing

Co-Chairs: Alan Baggett (BIA), Kathy Lawhon (Eglin), Kathy McCoy (Hurlburt)

Partnership Activity	Status
<u>Mission Statement</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To identify single and multi-family housing opportunities to meet the needs of military and civilian families within the region's median income range
<u>Base Updates</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hurlburt Field Military Housing Office is currently teleworking and only reporting into office, when absolutely necessary; this will be the norm until there is a decrease in COVID cases within the local area• Airman PCS'ing in and out of Hurlburt Field are on a case-by-case basis; as a result, there has been a decline in Airman seeking available rentals• Once the hold is lifted for PCS moves, available off-base rental requests will probably increase to pre-COVID requirement
<u>Challenges</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Because of Covid-19 and the state of Florida budget concerns, Governor DeSantis cut Sadowski funding from the 2020 Budget.• Lack of affordable land in our area.• Sky rocketing material cost.

Closing Remarks



Next Time

► The Way Ahead Schedule

- 26 Aug CPP
- 22 Sept WG
- 27 Oct AB



TCPI values the input of its Community Partners; please know we welcome your comments. Have something to share? Contact Nathan Sparks, TCPI Chair 850-362-6467 nathan@florida-edc.org

Mission: To function as the tri-county community partnership facilitator identifying and supporting public-private partnerships capable of sustaining military base missions.