



# ARCTIC SHIELD 2017

## Statistics

20	Lives saved	440	Personnel deployed
27	Lives assisted	4014	"Kid's don't float" participants
51	Gold dredge exams	723	Boating safety participants
24	Commercial vessels inspected	23	Commercial fishing vessel exams

## Objectives

- Perform Coast Guard missions and activities in the Arctic.
- Enhance Arctic maritime domain awareness.
- Broaden partnerships in support of Coast Guard Arctic operations.
- Enhance and improve preparedness, prevention and response capabilities.

## Supporting units



2 MH-60T Jayhawks and crews deployed to Forward Operating Location Kotzebue

17th Coast Guard District  
 Base Kodiak  
 Air Station Kodiak  
 Cutter Healy  
 Cutter Alex Haley  
 Cutter Sherman  
 Cutter Maple  
 Sector Anchorage  
 Sector Juneau



# Highlights



Completed 28 search-and-rescue cases; saving 20 lives and assisting 27 others. Logged over 350 flight hours from FOL Kotzebue.

Coast Guard and Navy divers completed the first Arctic ice dive operations from the Cutter Healy since 2006.



Conducted multiple exercises and trainings including Operation Arctic Guardian, an oil spill seminar and equipment deployment in Utqiagvik, Alaska.

Visited 9 remote villages with deployed cutters; hosting 102 people for tours and reaching over 700 people about boating safety.



Visited 41 remote villages, educating 4,014 children in boating and water safety in support of Alaska's "Kid's Don't Float" program.

Conducted several professional exchanges and joint operations with the Royal Canadian Navy and Coast Guard.



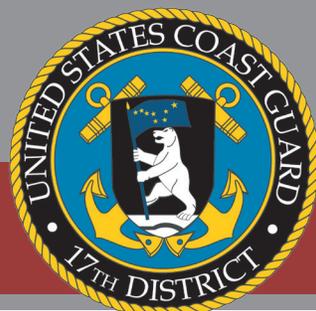
Cutter Alex Haley medically evacuated a Chinese national from the Chinese research vessel Xue Long near Nome, Alaska.



Cutter Maple completed a historic voyage through the Northwest Passage as the first non-icebreaker cutter to transit since 1967.



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