**ARCTIC SHIELD 2017**

### Statistics

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<th>Lives saved</th>
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### 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

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

- **2 MH-60T Jayhawks and crews deployed to Forward Operating Location Kotzebue**
17th Coast Guard District
Juneau, Alaska

Rear Adm. Michael McAllister
Commander, 17th District

Highlights

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

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

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

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.

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

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

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