

MILITARY DEPARTMENT (975) - 2009-11 BIENNIUM

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

The Arkansas Military Department is responsible for Command, Control, and Supervision of the Militia, National Guard and all other military organizations under the jurisdiction of the Governor. The National Guard is divided into two basic components, the Air National Guard, with installations at Little Rock Air Force Base, Hot Springs, and Fort Smith and the Army National Guard, consisting of 102 units located around the State.

**TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET**

Agency oversees a total budget of approximately \$100 million each year. There is a reduction of General Revenue funding of \$8,400 each year. The total Executive Recommendation of General Revenue Funding is \$9,880,885 for FY10 and \$10,046,646 for FY11.

**FUNDING SOURCE**

Funding for the Military Department comes from Federal Funds (approx. 86%), General Revenue (approx. 10%), and some Cash funds (less than 1%).

**II) CHANGES/APPROPRIATIONS**

- The Civilian Training Appropriation covers rehabilitation of juveniles referred to the program by juvenile justices. There is no increase in this appropriation, but a reduction of general revenue funding of \$8,400 each year with the elimination of the student stipends.
- Increase in appropriation only for general operations of \$1,298,277 and \$1,306,869. There is no increase of funding above Base Level.
- Increase of \$1,525,350 each year for emergency Military Call-Up and Military Court Martial expenses. Funding is provided by transfers from Budget Stabilization Trust Fund. This appropriation would be used when the Military is mobilized to assist with natural and man-made disasters.
- An increase of over \$17,000,000 in federal appropriation each year will meet the anticipated federal funding increases for the Department including the restoration of 143 positions to address any personnel needs for the Federal Training Site at Camp Robinson.
- A reduction of 34 positions in the Arkansas National Guard Youth Challenge Program and 6 in the Civilian Student Training Program from what is currently authorized.

**III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS**

Total positions for FY 2009-2011 Biennium: 759

Total positions FY 2008: 799

**IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE**

- CIVILIAN STUDENT TRAINING PROGRAM TRANSPORTATION - Transportation to support Civilian Student Training Program activities may be provided by commercial leased/purchased vehicles not to exceed six vehicles at Camp Robinson.
- YOUTH CHALLENGE PROGRAM - STIPENDS - Juveniles participating in the Arkansas National Guard Youth Challenge Program at Camp Joseph T. Robinson may receive monetary stipend not to exceed \$15 per week for personal hygiene

and other personal necessities, and monetary stipend not to exceed \$2,200 upon graduation for the program for additional job training. Juveniles are also authorized to receive appropriate uniforms and clothing items for outdoor activities as determined by staff.

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- BLR NOTE: CURRENT LANGUAGE IS CODIFIED at ACA 19-5-1095.

MILITARY SUPPORT REVOLVING FUND - Creates the Military Support Revolving Fund and designates what funds are credited to it and the uses of the fund. Language allows replenishment of the fund with Federal Reimbursements.

- CARRY FOWARD - allows carry forward to the next fiscal year of unexpended Federal funds from the Youth Challenge Program at the close of each fiscal year to be used for the same purpose.

- EXTRA HELP. Provides that no employee of Camp Robinson or Fort Chaffee Fed. Training Site Divisions employed as Extra Help can receive more than 85% of the maximum annual salary for a comparable position, nor can one be employed for more than 1800 hours in a fiscal year.

- HAZARDOUS DUTY PAY. Provides special compensation to eligible firefighting personnel.

- SPECIAL RATES OF PAY. Provides special rates of pay for law enforcement officers and fire fighters.