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# FROM THE ADJUTANT GENERAL



In conjunction with the National Guard Association of Washington, the State Command Sergeant Major, and the State Command Chief, following is a presentation for your use in professional development of our Washington National Guard members.





# WE ARE PROFESSIONALS



Washington National Guard (WANG) members are professionals serving their communities, state, and nation. In our profession of citizen-soldiery it is essential all members stay informed of changes affecting the military and the ongoing transformation of mission, equipment, and personnel.

Membership in professional organizations that have the information needed to keep us informed and abreast of current initiatives as well as the many political, social, and economic interfaces and environments are key to our success.





# WE ARE PROFESSIONALS

These organizations are also able to help the Guard/Military educate and inform Congress about funding, staffing, equipping benefits and other needs to sustain and improve the Guard as an operational reserve of the Army and Air Force and as community emergency responders. Presently there are more than 35 professional organizations which are listed in this brief that provide information and can be advocates for the Guard/Military. The power of each professional organization is measured by its membership!





# AIR FORCE/MARINE/NAVY PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS



- Air Force Association (AFA)
- Air Force Sergeants Association (AFSA)
- Air Force Women Officers Associated (AFWOA)
- Marine Corps League (MCL)
- Marine Corps Reserve Association (MCRA)
- Naval Reserve Association (NRA)
- Navy League of the United States (NLUS)





# NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS



National Association for Uniformed Services (NAUS)



National Guard Association of the United States (NGAUS)



National Military Family Association (NMFA)



National Order of Battlefield Commissions (NOBC)





# PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- American Logistics Association (ALA)
- AMVETS (American Veterans)
- Army Aviation Association of America (AAAA)
- Association of Military Surgeons of the United States (AMSUS)
- Association of the United States Army (AUSA)
- Chief Warrant Officer and Warrant Officer Association, (CWO&WOA) of the United States Coast Guard
- Commissioned Officers Association (COA) of the United States Public Health Service, Inc.
- Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States (EANGUS)
- Fleet Reserve Association (FRA)
- Gold Star Wives of America (GSW)
- Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America (JWV)





# PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Military Chaplains Association of the United States of America (MCA)
- Military Officers Association of America (MOAA)
- Military Order of the Purple Heart
- Non Commissioned Officers Association (NCOA)
- Reserve Enlisted Association (REA)
- Reserve Officers Association (ROA)
- The Retired Enlisted Association (TREA)
- Society of Medical Consultants to the Armed Forces (SMCAF)
- United Armed Forces Association (UAFA)
- United States Army Warrant Officers Association (USAWOA)
- USCG Chief Petty Officers Association (CPOA)
- Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)
- Veterans' Widows International Network (VWIN)





# ENLISTED ASSOCIATION OF THE NATIONAL GUARD



The Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States (EANGUS) is dedicated to promoting the status, welfare and professionalism of the Enlisted members of the National Guard by supporting legislation that provides adequate staffing, pay, benefits, entitlements, equipment, and installations for the National Guard.





# NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES



The National Guard Association of the United States (NGAUS) is a nonpartisan organization representing nearly 45,000 current and former Army and Air National Guard officers. Formed in 1878, NGAUS is focused on procuring better equipment, standardized training and a more combat-ready force by petitioning Congress for resources.





# NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON



The National Guard Association of Washington (NGAW) is your local professional organization working directly with both NGAUS and EANGUS.

An example of what NGAW does for you is the new license plates that are now available. Buying a plate invests in the Minuteman Emergency Assistance Fund as well as the NGAW!





# NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION OF WASHINGTON



The Minuteman Emergency Assistance Fund has helped many Washington National Guard members and their families. Fifty-seven Guardsmen received over \$25,291 in 2007 for family financial emergencies. Monies for the Minuteman Emergency Assistance Fund are received through the Combined Federal Campaign (United Way), fund drives, private donations and NG License Plates.

*All donations including the License Plates are Tax Deductible!*





# WANG LICENSE PLATES



Purchase any time  
\$40.00 first plate  
*\$30.00 per plate ea year after.*



After the first 400 are sold,  
\$28.00 per plate will go to help NGAW!!





# DRAMATIC CHANGES



BENEFITS, EQUIPMENT, AND UNITS HAVE CHANGED DRAMATICALLY OVER THE PAST 30 YEARS! It took the influence and power of professional organizations to form and gain advocacy for enabling legislation. For example, organizations like NGAUS have been instrumental in getting better equipment and EANGUS has been instrumental in getting money & better benefits. NGAUS & EANGUS worked methodically for the past eight years to gain passage of new Tri-Care benefits that will make medical insurance available to all Guard members.

Membership and participation in a professional organization is important. Consider joining and becoming involved to help shape our future.



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GET INVOLVED AND STAY INFORMED  
go to [www.NGAW.org](http://www.NGAW.org)

QUESTIONS? See your local NGAW Rep

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