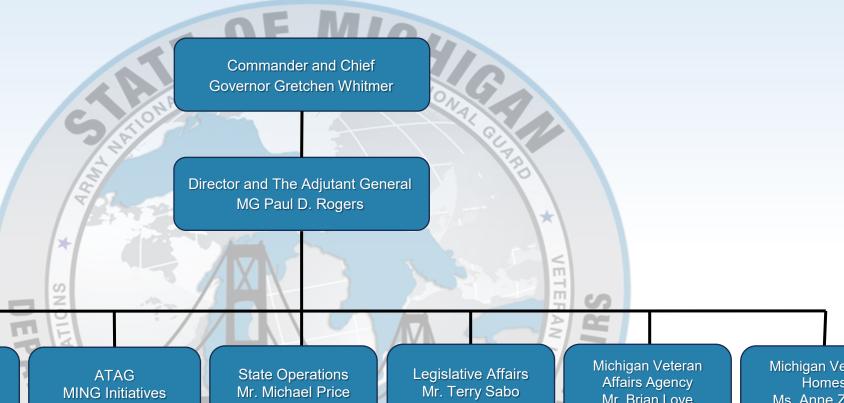
MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AND VETERAN AFFAIRS





### **DMVA LEADERSHIP**





**ATAG** Air National Guard Brig Gen Dan Kramer **BG Scott Meyers** 

**Deputy Director** 

**Deputy Director** 

Mr. Brian Love Director

Michigan Veteran Homes Ms. Anne Zerbe Director















# **DMVA Economic Impact**

\$1.09 billion

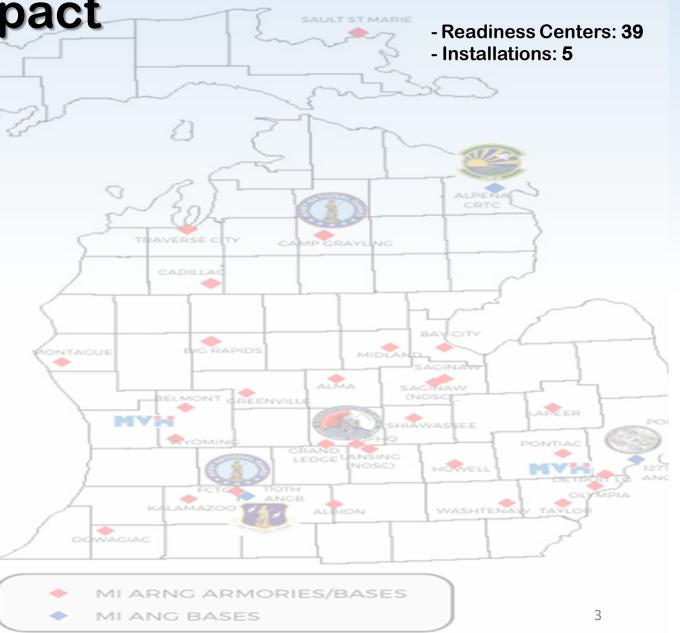
Pay & Allowances \$384.8 million

DMVA Personnel: 10,898

- -MI Army National Guard
- -MI Air National Guard
- -MI Veterans Affairs Agency
- -MI Veteran Homes

#### **Veterans Affairs**

- -Veteran Population: 516,758
- -% Receiving Benefits: 24.6%
- -VA Compensation: \$3.24B
- -VA Investment: \$3.07B
- -Veteran Homes: 3





## Michigan National Guard

#### **2024 HIGHLIGHT EVENTS**

**Army National Guard** – 7,321 service members

Air National Guard - 2,385 service Members

- Disaster Response and Emergency Support
- Public Safety Enhancement
- Community Outreach and Skill Development
- Military Readiness and Resilience



MING State Partnership: 10 September 2024 MING SPP welcomed Sierra Leone as a new partner.



Disaster Response: MIARNG
Engineers supported disaster recovery
efforts for Hurricane Helene in North
Carolina and Florida, as well as in
response to tornado damage in
Kalamazoo County.



Motor City 2024: In August 2024, MING and NGAUS organized an event dedicated to professional development and networking for National Guard members by combining four major conferences into one unique experience.





#### **Mobilization Readiness**

#### **Total Michigan Service Members Deployed FY24: 925**

MIARNG Soldiers Deployed FY24: 485 MING Airmen Deployed FY24: 440

- 6 Combatant Commands:
  - Central Command, European Command, Northern Command, Africa Command, Indo Pacific Command and Southern Command
  - 6 Operations: Spartan Shield / Inherent Resolve / Enduring Freedom / GTMO Cuba / AF European Assure Deter and Reinforce Theater Security Cooperation NORTHCOM / Southwest Border
- 9 units mobilized in FY24
  - 272 Regional Support Group
  - 745 Explosive Ordnance Detachment
  - 1440 Engineer Detachment (Firefighter Team)
  - 1463 Transportation Company
  - 127 Operations Group
  - 127 Maintenance Group
  - 127 Air Refueling Group
  - 110 Wing
  - 217 Air Operations Group
- 3 units demobilized in FY24
- 73 Individual Mobilizations
  - 37 CONUS (United States) in 26 Locations
  - 36 OCONUS (Outside US) in 12 Locations
- 4 units in alternate missions (C2CRE / CRF)

As of 19 FEB 2025:

Total Michigan Service Members Deployed: 344





Air CONUS TOTAL 115 PAX





Air OCONUS TOTAL 35 PAX



#### MING Initiatives - National All Domain Warfighting Center (NADWC)

The NADWC delivers comprehensive training across five domains, including land, air, maritime, cyberspace, and space.

Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center - CGMTC is the largest National Guard training facility in the U.S. In 2024, it supported training for 274,687 Individual Training Days (ITD), including service members from all services and components, 17,525 international ITD's, and 3,083 civilian first responders ITD's. Camp Grayling has an estimated economic impact of \$49.5 million.

Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center - CRTC provides essential training support and facilities for defense and emergency response entities, highlighted by the completion of a \$60 million runway repair and the facilitation of over 1,350 training sorties, which collectively enhance its economic impact and capacity for operational readiness. With an estimated economic impact of \$10 million.

<u>Fort Custer Training Center</u> - FCTC offers a warrior-focused training environment for deployment and unit readiness, including 240 hotel rooms, a 200-seat auditorium, and various dining and conference facilities, supporting 147,000 ITD's and 30,000 state and local ITD's, with an estimated economic impact exceeding \$10 million.

Kelly Johnson Joint All-Domain Innovation Center - KJJADIC is significant for its role as a collaborative hub that fosters innovation across various military branches and domains. enhances U.S. defense capabilities while stimulating economic growth in Michigan by attracting investments, generating jobs, and bridging academic research with practical defense applications, ultimately positioning the state as a leader in innovative economic development and contributing to national security and state resilience.

### MING Initiatives - Northern Strike Exercise

A premier Army-sponsored exercise enhancing joint operations readiness through live fire, logistics, and integrated command across all warfare domains.

Northern Strike - A large-scale military exercise at the National All-Domain Warfighting Center aimed at enhancing readiness and interoperability among the Army, Air Force, Navy, and Marine Corps through joint operations, combat scenarios, and tactical drills while fostering collaboration between active, reserve, and National Guard units.

The 2024 Northern Strike Exercises attracted over 6,388 participants from 32 states and territories, along with five international partners.

Northern Strike Exercise has a substantial economic impact, particularly in Michigan, generating approximately \$30 million annually for the local economy.

Domain vergence Divisional Mission Comment Com

- Readiness Centers: 39

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- Installations: 5



**Montague** 

**Detroit Olympia** 

Lapeer

**Augusta** 

**Midland** 

**Taylor** 

## **Armory Modernization**

\$ 3.11 M

\$ 5.63 M

\$ 4.50 M

\$ 2.16 M

\$ 6.38 M

\$ 2.24 M

#### 22 ARMORY COMPLETIONS - \$103.95 million

**Grand Ledge** \$ 3.98 M \$ 3.13 M **Grayling Army Airfield Traverse City** \$4.08 M Washtenaw \$ 5.21 M **Albion** \$4.74 M Kalamazoo \$ 8.96 M \$ 6.70 M Ishpeming **Gladstone** \$ 3.50 M Saginaw \$ 4.19 M **Big Rapids** \$ 3.74 M Sault Ste. Marie \$ 8.27 M Jackson \$ 2.70 M **Bay City** \$2.22 M **Port Huron** \$ 8.60 M **Camp Grayling** \$ 3.96 M \$ 5.95 M **Detroit Light Guard** 

8 ARMORIES UNDER CONST. - \$ 20.97M **Alma** \$ 1.91 M \$ 2.13 M Shiawassee 3 IN DESIGN - \$ 15.30 M \$ 2.70 M Alpena Wyoming Calumet \$ 3.44 M \$ 8.30 M \$1.95 M **Kingsford** \$4.00 M **Pontiac** Waterford \$ 3.00 M Marquette \$4.70 M ALMA \$ 1.74 M Greenville Lansing (Complex) \$ 2.40 M LEDGELANSING HOWVELL WASHTENAW TAYLO BION

MI ARNG ARMORIES/BASES

MI ANG BASES



# Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency

<u>MVAA Administration</u> - MVAA budget designates over \$2 million for mental health awareness and suicide prevention for veterans and their families, including partnerships with DHHS and LEO, the expansion of the Veteran Connector Program, and Mental Health First Aid training for all Veteran Service Officers in the state.

<u>Veteran Outreach</u> - MVAA invests over \$790,000 in outreach for veteran services, and the Michigan Veteran Resource Service Center, resulting in increased connections to benefits and a nearly 3% rise in veterans receiving disability compensation to 24.6%.

<u>Michigan Veteran Resource Service Center</u> - MVRSC has seen a 27% increase in cases served, supported by enhanced media campaigns, social media engagement and community partnerships.

<u>Veteran Homelessness</u> - MVAA administers \$2.5 million to fund 13 grants for community partners to enhance and expand programs combating Veteran Homelessness in FY25.

<u>Strategic Partnerships</u> - MVAA administers \$4.2 million to support Veteran Service Officers to 70 counties and provides an additional \$4.2 million to four national veteran organizations (VFW, DAV, VVA, AL) with over \$50,000 invested in a statewide VSO training program to enhance partnerships and service delivery.



# Michigan Veterans Homes

MVH is progressing on the construction of a new \$96 million veteran home to replace the existing D.J. Jacobetti building in the Upper Peninsula.

MVH has broken ground on an expansion at the Grand Rapids home, which will feature an on-site pharmacy, laundry facilities, and business offices.



#### **MVH at Grand Rapids**

- 122 Resident Members
- New building completed and opened in 2021.
- CMS Certification November 2021



# MVH at DJ Jacobetti (Marquette)

- 105 Resident Members
- Facility Replacement Project in progress.



#### MVH at Chesterfield Township

- 125 Resident Members
- New building completed and opened in 2021.
- CMS Certification August 2021



# Michigan Youth ChalleNGe Academy

#### MYCA Mission CHIGAN YOU

- Educate, train, and mentor at-risk youth in a quasi-military environment.
- No cost to participants.
- Give young people the skills to become productive and responsible citizens.
- Applies the military model to alternative education.
- Promotes competency development through academic opportunities, life skills, and vocational preparation.

Established in 1999 and is part of the Nation Youth Challenge Program.

MYCA runs two cycles each year, beginning in mid-January and mid-July.



- 52<sup>nd</sup> Cycle began January 12, 2025
- Currently 122 in attendance
- Graduation: June 14, 2025, at Marshall Public High School
- With State and Federal funding, we will have 100% design of a new campus completed in 2025.



## FY 2026 Executive Recommendation Highlights

**Cost Reduction Commitment:** Governor Whitmer is focused on lowering costs for Michiganders in essential areas such as education, childcare, housing, and healthcare, while ensuring fiscal responsibility and achieving a budget surplus. The FY 26 budget reinforces this commitment by aiming to further decrease costs and stimulate economic growth.

**Streamlined Regulations and Public Safety**: The FY 26 budget simplifies regulations, enhances public safety, and fosters economic development across Michigan. enabling state and local governments to function more efficiently and better address the needs of residents.

**Investment in Military Readiness:** The Governor's FY 26 budget includes \$26 million one-time funding for Selfridge Air National Guard Base, continuing her support for Selfridge and its flying missions, which contribute an estimated \$850 million annually to Michigan's economy. This includes local spending by military personnel, contracts with regional businesses and state and federal tax revenues.

DMVA/MING	GF/GP
Military (National Guard, State Ops)	17,759,500
Member Benefits	11,244,800
Youth and Job ChalleNGe	3,384,200
IT (Departmentwide)	677,700
Military Capital Outlay	1,000,000
Selfridge Investment (One-Time)	26,000,000
Total:	43,129,200
MVAA	GF/GP
MVAA Administration	9,306,700
County Veteran Service Grants	4,255,500
Veterans Service Grants	4,255,500
State Veterans Cemetery (One-Time)	5,000,000
Total:	19,347,200
MVH	GF/GP
MVH Operations (Ongoing)	47,858,800
MVH Capital Outlay	500,000
Total:	47,115,700
Grand Total:	131,084,800
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### **Member Benefit Fund**

- Proposed Michigan National Guard Member Benefit Fund expands the uses of the existing \$11.2 million Michigan National Guard State Tuition Assistance program (MINGSTAP) appropriation.
- \$2.3 million for a childcare assistance for National Guard members (general fund) to support families during guard members monthly and annual training. This continues Governor Whitmer's efforts to lower the costs of care for military families.
- Critical to our recruiting and retention needs. We are observing drops in military recruiting nationally and here in Michigan. The state needs to be responsive in its efforts to implement recruitment incentives to ensure we continue to have the resources necessary to respond to the next natural disaster, health crisis or national defense mission.



# Investment: Selfridge Air National Guard Base

Proposing \$26 million GFGP FY26 investment for Selfridge Air National Guard Off-Base construction project.

- Reroute and resurface portion of M-59 highway North of base.
- Move two drainage systems and culvert installation.

#### FY23/24/25 Accomplishments:

- \$34.3 million GFGP investment resulting in contract awards in a DMVA/DTMB team effort towards Selfridge Encroachment Solution.
- Land acquisition, environmental studies and project designs.
- Pending funding for construction, project will be ready to build in April 2026.



# **MVAA Investment - MI Veterans Cemetery**

- One-Time Investment Proposal: The Governor proposes a one-time \$5 million general fund investment to support the acquisition of land, design, and engineering for a new State Veterans Cemetery in Crawford County.
- Federal Grant Opportunities: This investment will enable the Michigan Veterans Affairs
  Agency (MVAA) to pursue federal grants to assist with both construction and ongoing
  operational costs.
- Veteran Demographics: There are an estimated over 50,000 veterans within 75 miles of the cemetery site.
- Projected Burial Needs: It is estimated that 15% of deceased veterans will seek burial in the state veterans cemetery, translating to about 1,260 veterans and 630 spouses or dependents over the next ten years.
- Annual Burials Forecast: On average, this equates to about 189 eligible persons seeking burial each year, with expectations for an increase in the internment rate once the cemetery is opened and marketed effectively.



