



# WASHINGTON MILITARY DEPARTMENT



# MAJ. GEN. GENT WELSH



**Director, Washington Military Department**

- Washington National Guard
- Washington Emergency Management
- Washington Youth Academy
- Washington State Guard

**The Adjutant General – Washington National Guard**

- Air and Army National Guard

**Homeland Security Advisor to the Governor**



# MISSION OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENT



**The Washington Military Department's mission is to minimize the impact of emergencies and disasters on people, property, environment and the economy of Washington state by providing trained and ready forces for state and federal missions. The department also provides structured alternative education opportunities for at-risk youth.**



# WASHINGTON NATIONAL GUARD





# DUAL MISSION





# STATE AND FEDERAL MISSIONS

## State

Governor control

State Pays

## Title 32

Consequence management

Large National Response

## Title 10

President Controls

Federal Government Pays





# 8,000

Soldiers & Airmen

# 34

Locations in Washington

# 8

Major Units

# 1

Mission

*Saving Lives and Property in Washington State*





A soldier in full personal protective equipment (PPE), including a blue surgical mask, a clear face shield, and white gloves, is administering a vaccine to an elderly person. The soldier is wearing a camouflage uniform with an American flag patch on the right shoulder and a black star patch on the left. The elderly person is wearing a pink shirt. The background is slightly blurred, showing a window with blinds.

# SERVING AT HOME

## COVID-19 Response (2,500)

- Food Banks
- Vaccinations
- Unemployment Support
- COVID Mapping
- Testing
- Test Kit Assembly
- PPE Distribution
- Hospital Equipment Transportation
- Medical Surge Support
- and so much more...

## Civil Disturbance (1,600)

- Seattle
- Tacoma
- Olympia
- Spokane
- Bellevue
- Washington D.C.

## Wildfire Fighting (280)

- Helicopter
- Red Card Fire Fighter

## Cyber Attack Response (25)

## Flood Response (50)

## Snow Storm Response (25)



# SERVING OVERSEAS

## European Command

- Poland
- Ukraine
- Kosovo

## Central Command

- Iraq
- Afghanistan
- Syria
- Jordan
- Kuwait
- UAE

## Indo-Pacific Command

- Kingdom of Thailand
- Malaysia
- South Korea
- India







# WASHINGTON ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

Brig. Gen. Paul Sellars, Commander

6,000 Citizen - Soldiers

5 Major Subordinate Commands

56<sup>th</sup> Theater Information Operations Group

81<sup>st</sup> Stryker Brigade Combat Team

96<sup>th</sup> Aviation Troop Command

96<sup>th</sup> Troop Command

205<sup>th</sup> Regional Training Institute







# 56<sup>TH</sup> THEATER INFORMATION OPERATIONS GROUP

| Information Operations

| Military Intelligence

| Special Forces

| Public Affairs







# 81<sup>ST</sup> STRYKER BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM

- | Infantry (Mounted & Dismounted)
- | Field Artillery
- | Logistics and Sustainment
- | Engineering
- | Combat Support
- | Medical







# 96<sup>TH</sup> TROOP COMMAND

**CBRNE Decontamination**

**Transportation & Logistics**

**Vertical Construction**

**Cavalry Scout**

**Law Enforcement**

**Liaison Team**

**Musical Performance**





# 96<sup>TH</sup> AVIATION TROOP COMMAND



**Multi-Platform Rotary**

**Fixed Wing**

**Aviation Maintenance**

**Medical Evacuation**

**Forward Support Element**



# 205<sup>TH</sup> REGIONAL TRAINING INSTITUTE



**Officer Candidate School**

**Warrant Officer Candidate School**

**Stryker Leaders Course**

**Unit Movement Officer Course**

**Maneuver Senior Leaders Course**

**Master Fitness Trainer Course**

**Army Combatives Level I and II**

**Maneuver Tactics Foundation Course**

**Common Faculty Development Course**







# WASHINGTON AIR NATIONAL GUARD

**Brig. Gen. Ken Borchers - Commander**

**2,000 Citizen - Airmen**

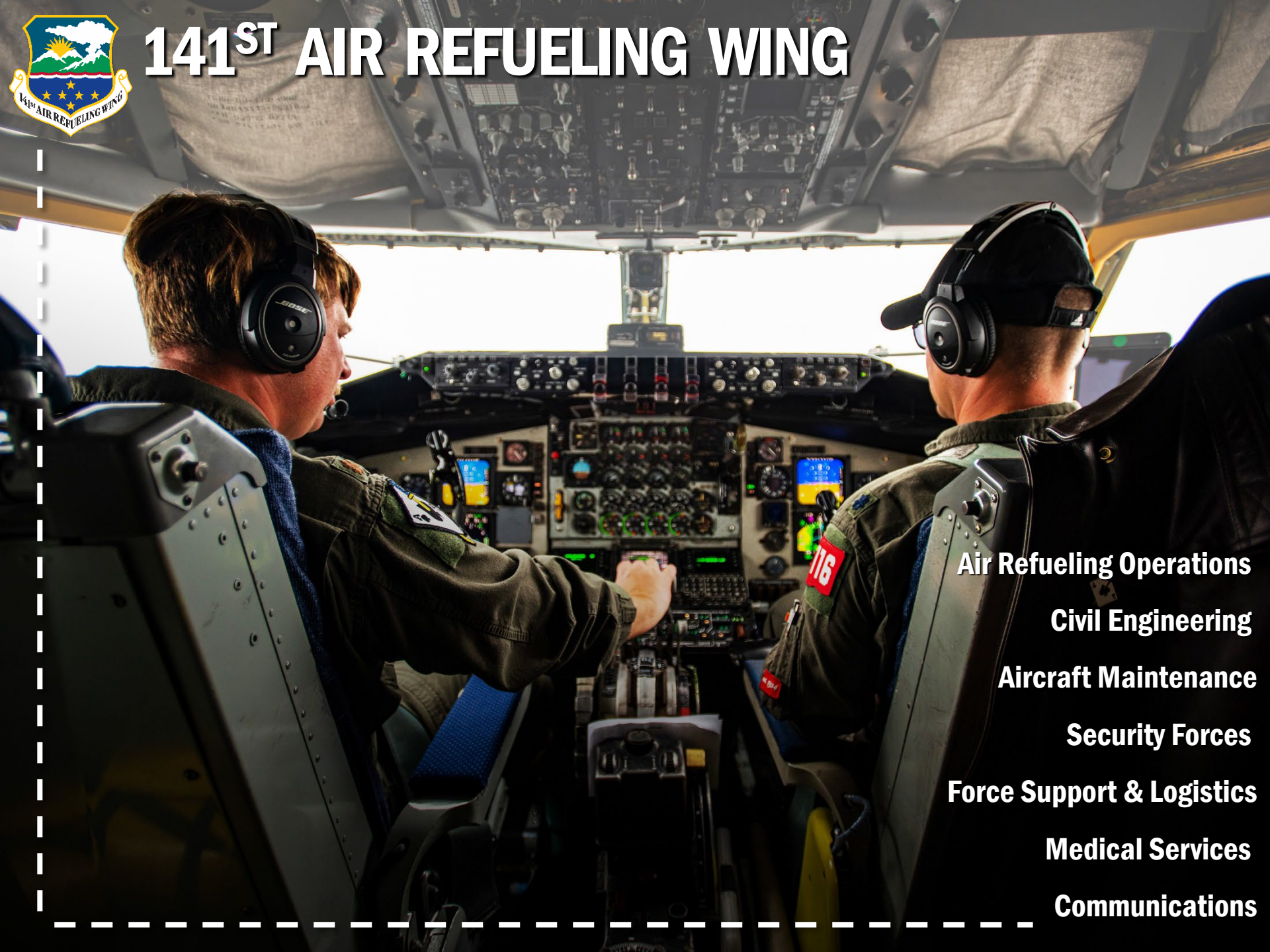
**2 Wings and an Air Defense Sector**

**141<sup>st</sup> Air Refueling Wing**

**194<sup>th</sup> Wing**

**Western Air Defense Sector**






# 141<sup>ST</sup> AIR REFUELING WING

- Air Refueling Operations**
- Civil Engineering**
- Aircraft Maintenance**
- Security Forces**
- Force Support & Logistics**
- Medical Services**
- Communications**





Cyber defense of networks and critical infrastructure

Joint Airpower integration and control

Intelligence support of Cyber and targeting

Medical support and patient staging

Deployable communications

Security Forces

**194<sup>TH</sup> WING**







# WESTERN AIR DEFENSE SECTOR



**"Guarding America's Skies"**

**24/7 monitoring west of the Mississippi River**

**Direct reporting to NORAD and Air Combat Command**



# JOINT FORCE HEADQUARTERS

10<sup>th</sup> Civil Support Team

State Partnership Program

CounterDrug Program

Homeland Response Force

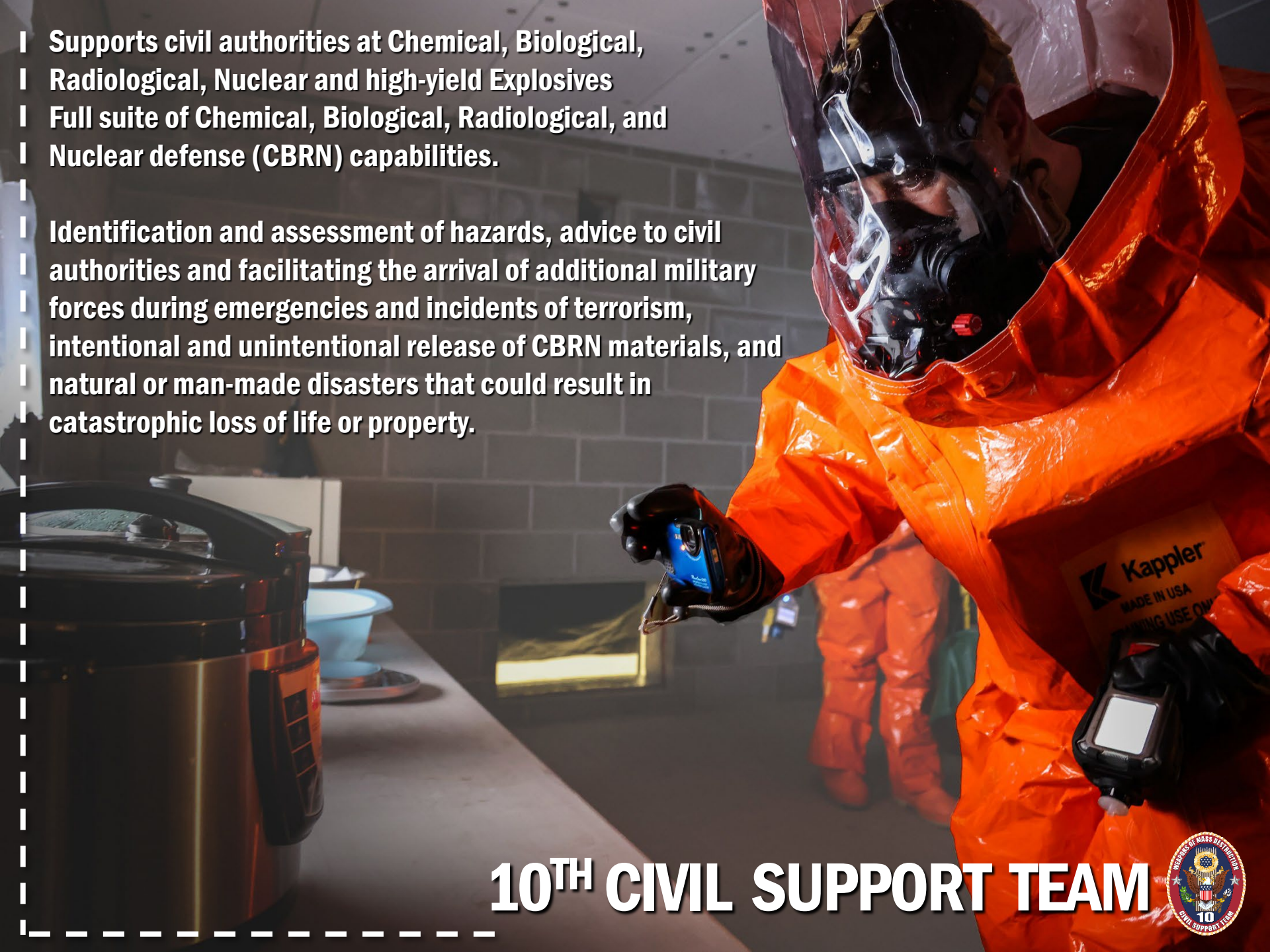




**Supports civil authorities at Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and high-yield Explosives Full suite of Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear defense (CBRN) capabilities.**

**Identification and assessment of hazards, advice to civil authorities and facilitating the arrival of additional military forces during emergencies and incidents of terrorism, intentional and unintentional release of CBRN materials, and natural or man-made disasters that could result in catastrophic loss of life or property.**

**10<sup>TH</sup> CIVIL SUPPORT TEAM**





# STATE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM



Kingdom of Thailand (2002)

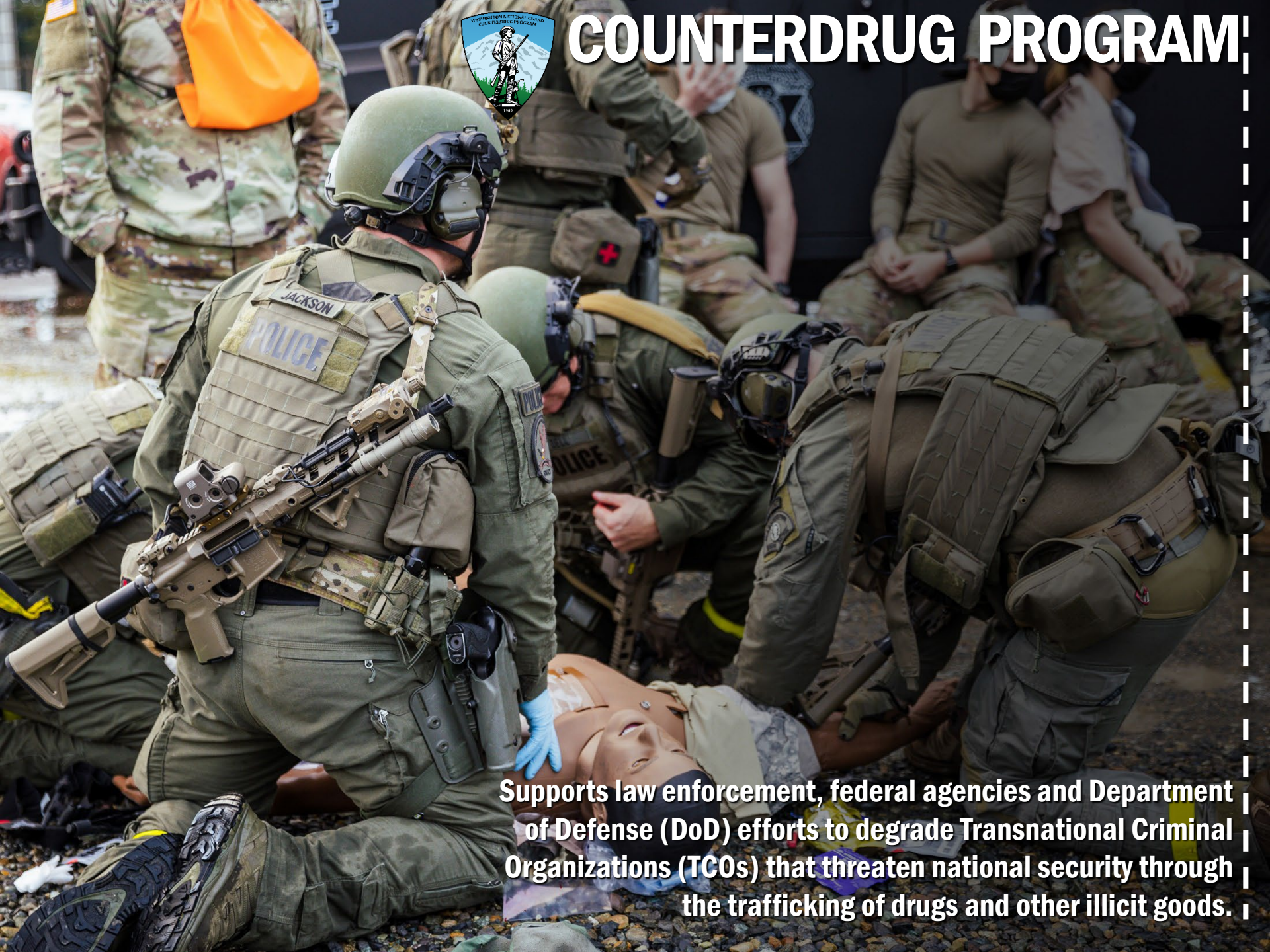
Malaysia (2017)

Designed to build capacity and capability with the partner nation's security forces, cultivate personal, professional and institutional relationships and train National Guard members for future missions.





# COUNTERDRUG PROGRAM



Supports law enforcement, federal agencies and Department of Defense (DoD) efforts to degrade Transnational Criminal Organizations (TCOs) that threaten national security through the trafficking of drugs and other illicit goods.



# HOMELAND RESPONSE FORCE



| Light, agile, and rapidly deployable team, responding in FEMA Region X

| Full suite of Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear defense (CBRN) capabilities.

| Supports local, state and federal authorities' response to CBRN and all hazard events.



# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIVISION



**Provides Mitigation Advocacy,  
Response Coordination, Planning  
Requirements and Guidance,  
Administration & Recovery Programs  
and Training and Exercises.**

**State Emergency Operations Center.**

**Provides 24-hour coverage at the  
state's Alert & Warning Center.**

**Manages the statewide E911  
network.**





**During a disaster response, other state, federal and voluntary agencies with emergency response roles report to the State Emergency Operations Center to assist.**

**Coordinating the state's response from this facility ensures help is provided quickly and effectively to communities that need it.**

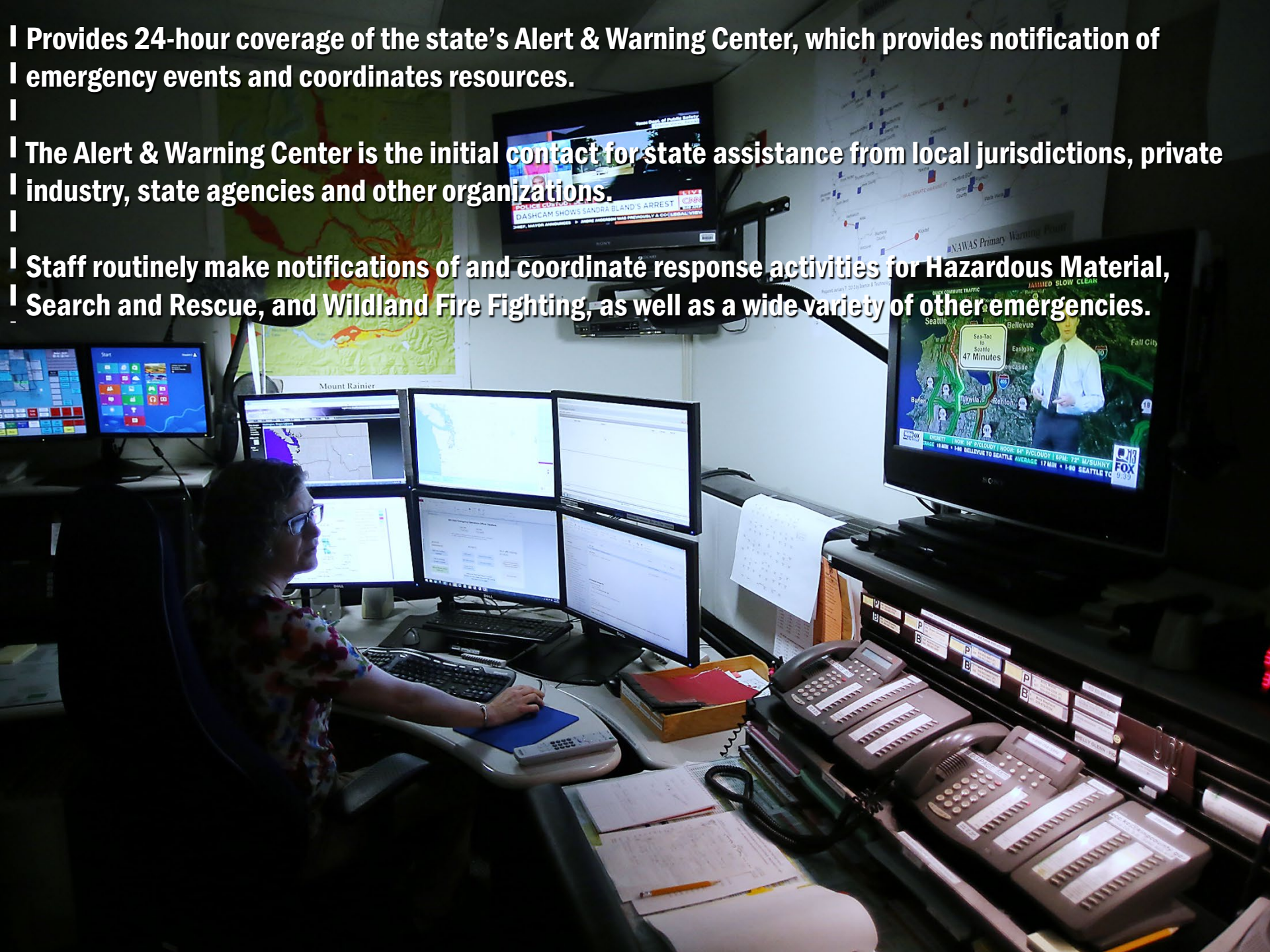
*Robert Ezelle- Director, Emergency Management Division*



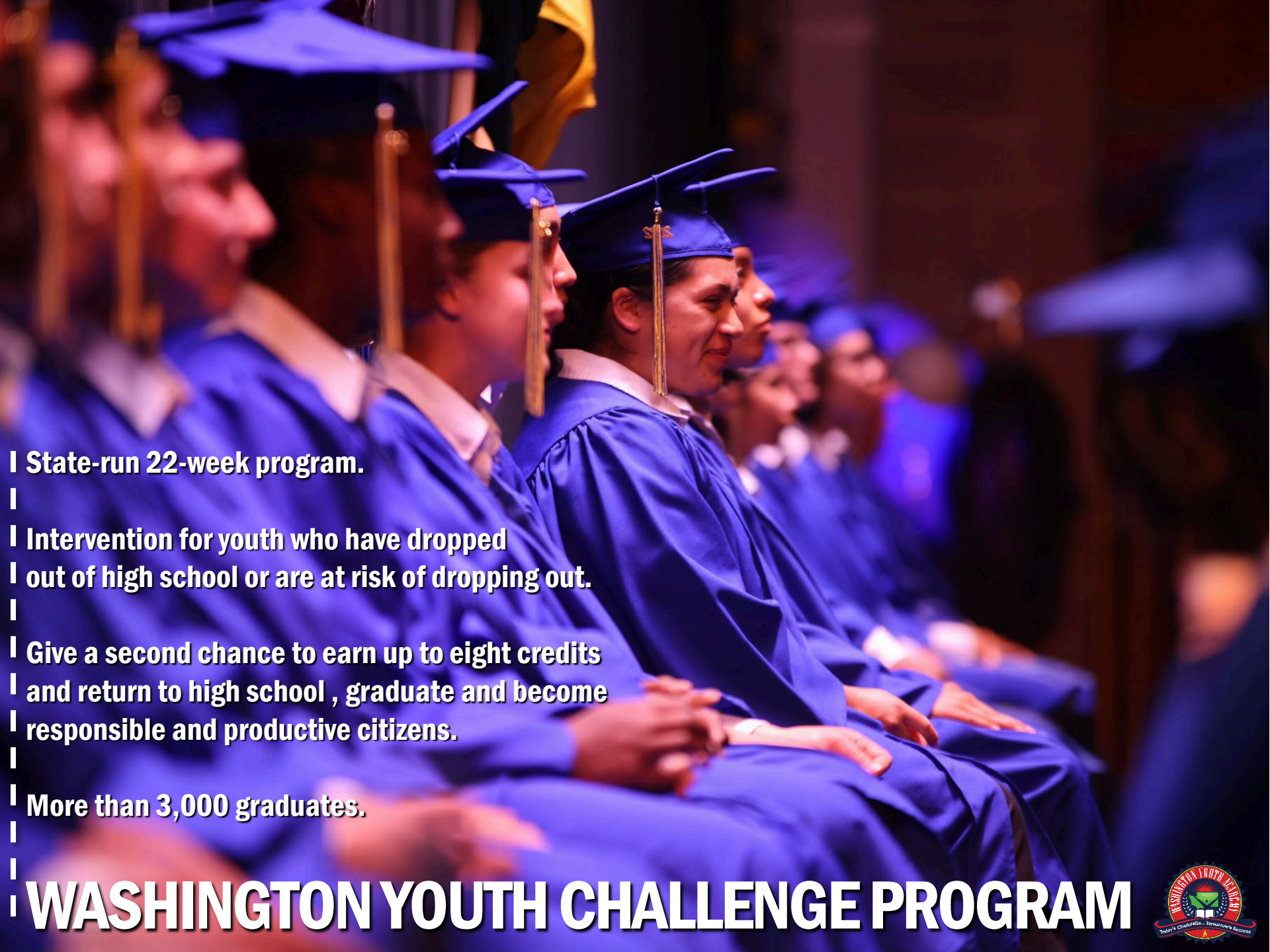
**Provides 24-hour coverage of the state's Alert & Warning Center, which provides notification of emergency events and coordinates resources.**

**The Alert & Warning Center is the initial contact for state assistance from local jurisdictions, private industry, state agencies and other organizations.**

**Staff routinely make notifications of and coordinate response activities for Hazardous Material, Search and Rescue, and Wildland Fire Fighting, as well as a wide variety of other emergencies.**







**State-run 22-week program.**

**Intervention for youth who have dropped out of high school or are at risk of dropping out.**

**Give a second chance to earn up to eight credits and return to high school , graduate and become responsible and productive citizens.**

**More than 3,000 graduates.**

# **WASHINGTON YOUTH CHALLENGE PROGRAM**





**| Eight core components of the Challenge Program:**

**| Physical Fitness**

**| Life Coping Skills**

**| Leadership/Followership**

**| Responsible Citizenship**

**| Job Skills**

**| Health & Hygiene**

**| Service to Community**

**| Academic Excellence**

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**YOUTH ACADEMY**



# WASHINGTON STATE GUARD



**All volunteer force, come from all walks of life.**

**Serve at the direction of the state's adjutant general.**

**Provide specialized, trained personnel to support civil authorities.**