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Early Years

As U.S. involvement in World War I appeared likely, increased manpower requirements necessitated a Reserve Force to augment the Regulars (Active Duty). On August 29th, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson signed the Naval Appropriations Act into law, creating the Marine Corps Reserve, adding almost 7,000 Marines to the fight.



Reserve Marines seamlessly integrated into ground and aviation units, fighting side-by-side with the Regular Marines during decisive battles such as Belleau Wood, Soissons, St. Michel, and Meusse-Argonne.

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Captain Allen M. Sumner was the first officer to join the Marine Corps Reserve on March 22nd, 1917.



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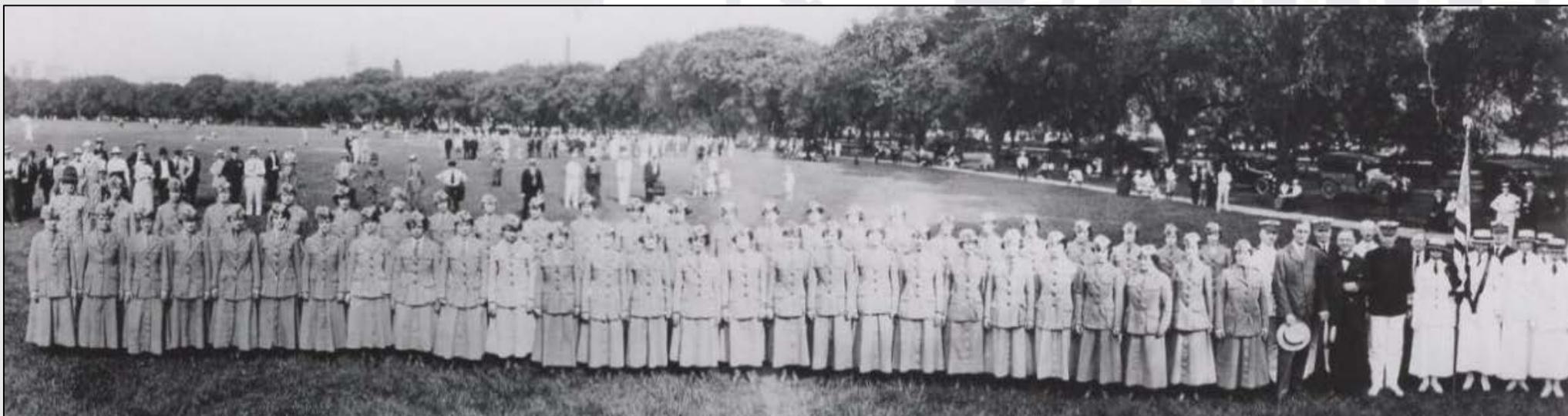
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Early Years



Patriotism motivated U.S. women, as well as the men, to join the fight. Beginning in August of 1918, women began to join the Marine Corps Reserve. Over 300 women were selectively screened and joined to the Reserve. Women Marines proved their worth by successfully fulfilling critical war-time duties.



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Between the Wars



2ndLt Ralph Talbot, USMCR was the first U.S. Marine aviator to receive the Medal of Honor for extraordinary heroism during aerial combat over France and Belgium during World War I.

Although the fighting ended in November 1918, Reserve Marines continued to serve with the American occupation forces. All Reserve Marines were demobilized or discharged by 1922.



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Between the World Wars



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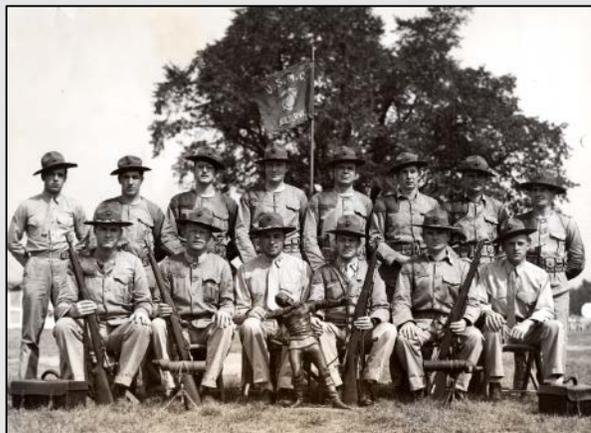
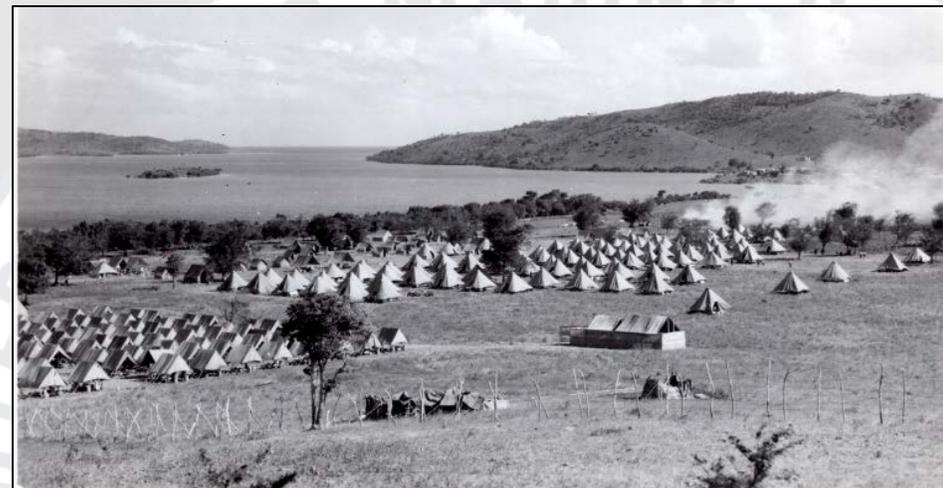
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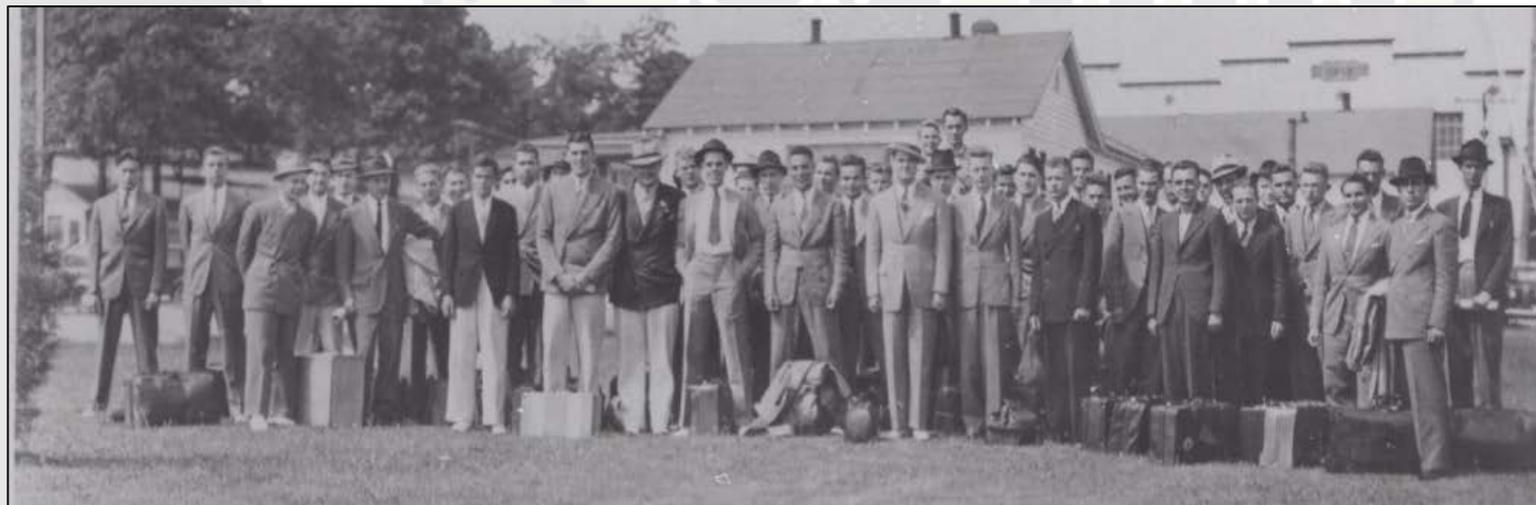
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In 1925 the Marine Corps Reserve began annual two-week training periods, called "Summer Camps." Today, these events are referred to as "Annual Training."



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World War II



The Pacific island-hopping campaign of World War II required a surge of Reserve Marines into the Regular forces. Newly-developed amphibious warfare doctrine required massive assaults on fortified Japanese positions. To meet these significant manpower requirements, the Marine Corps expanded to a record 485,000 personnel.

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World War II

Reserve Marines constituted more than 70 percent of the fighting force during World War II.



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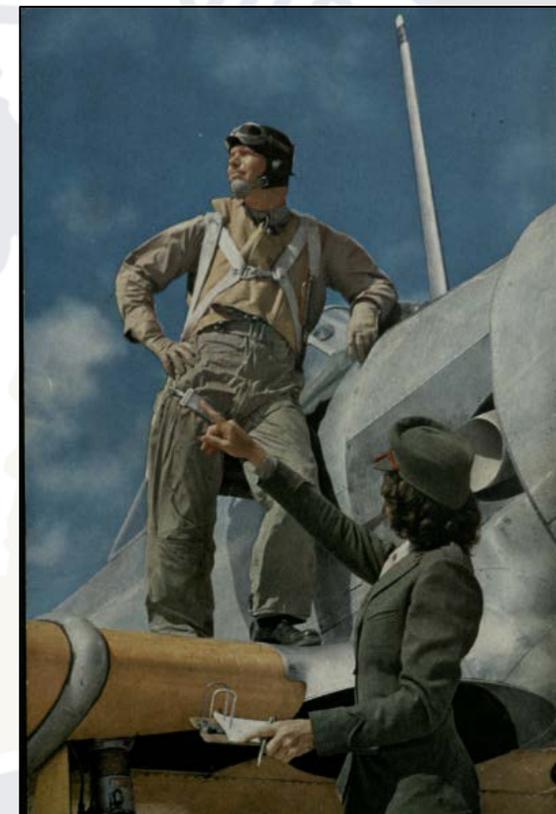
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To support critical wartime requirements, more than 19,000 women joined the Marine Corps Reserve to “Free a Marine to Fight.” These pioneering women filled more than 200 occupations, as truck drivers, electricians, mechanics, cryptographers, painters, parachute riggers, paymasters and aerial photographers.



Colonel Ruth Cheney Streeter, the first Director of the U.S. Marine Corps Women’s Reserve. She earned the Legion of Merit for “outstanding services” during World War II. The Women’s Reserve was activated on 13 February 1943.

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World War II



Crucial manpower support came from the 19,168 African American men who joined the Marines during the war. Trained at Montford Point, near Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, they served as enlisted men since 1942 and as officers since 1945. Approximately 8,000 African-American Marines performed their duties under fire at places like Saipan, Tinian, and Iwo Jima. Some of the Montford Point Marines would continue to serve honorably in the Reserve Force through the Korean War and beyond.

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World War II



Col. Gregory "Pappy" Boyington, USMCR was one of the highest scoring Aces of World War II.

During World War II, Marine Corps Aviation grew to 135 squadrons, 32 aircraft groups, and 5 wings. Its combined strength of 125,162 officers and enlisted was comprised mostly of Reserve Marines.



90% of Marine Corps flying Aces were Reservists. [109 of 121 flyers]

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World War II

Reserve Marines endured extreme tropical conditions, scarce supplies, and the “fight-to-the-death” tactics of their Japanese adversaries.



As the Pacific Campaign progressed, the Marines seized control of crucial strategic targets like the Solomon, Marshall, Mariana, Iwo Jima and Okinawa Islands.

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Korean War



When the Korean War erupted the first mass mobilization of Reserve Marines commenced. The improved organizational structure and wartime experience enabled the Reserve Force to mobilize and reinforce the First Marine Division, where they constituted 50 percent of the Force.



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Korean War

Reserves and Regulars were indistinguishable as they fought side by side. Esprit de corps and refusal to let another Marine down motivated all Marines.



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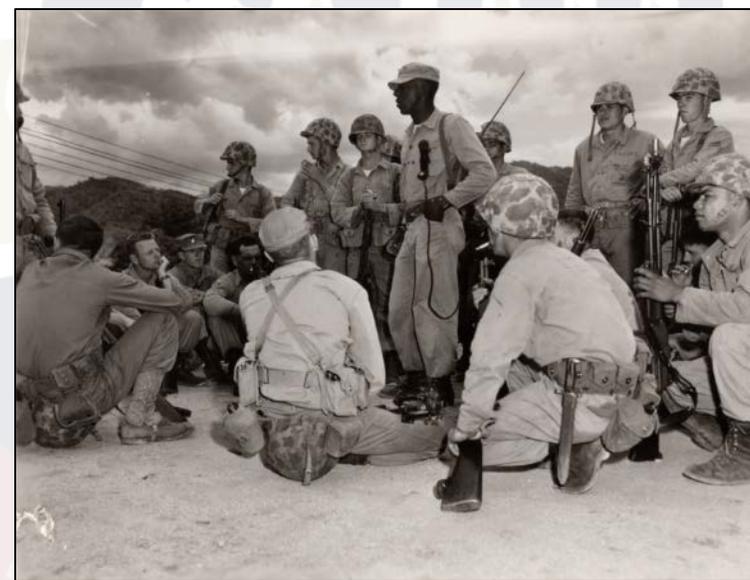
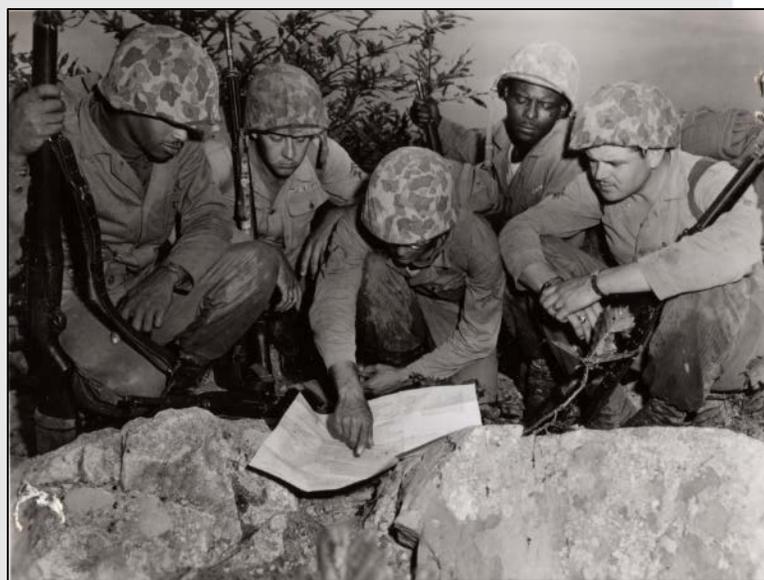
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Korean War



The deployment of the Marine Reserve was pivotal to the Inchon landing, the battles at Chosin Reservoir, and along critical campaigns of the 38th Parallel.

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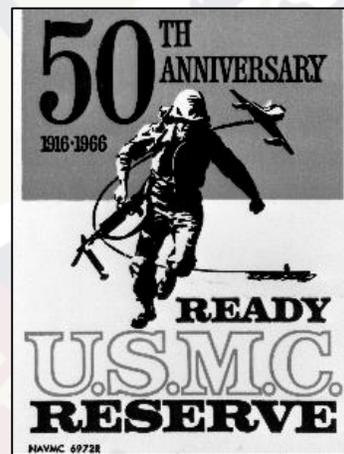


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Cold War

During the Cold War, a robust Reserve Force acted as a strategic hedge in case of a national emergency.



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Cold War



The Reserve conducted exercises in various climates and places for any national crisis. Training was also conducted with allied nations around the world.



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Cold War



The Marine Corps Reserve continued to modernize doctrine, training, vehicles, and weapon systems, with emphasis placed on expeditionary and combined arms capabilities. This led to a Reserve Force organized, trained and equipped to support the Marine Air Ground Task Force (MAGTF) operating concept.



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Gulf War

Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm proved the Reserve Component's ability to deploy as complete units. Reserve units mirrored Active counterparts in organizational structure, capabilities, and operational readiness. They distinguished themselves in offensive operations with close-air support and ground combat, while also conducting rear-area security, detainee operations, and engineering support.



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Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan

Since September 11th, 2001, through 2014, every Reserve unit activated at least once with more than 86,000 Reserve Marines mobilized in support of operations in Iraq, Afghanistan and across the globe.



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Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan

The Reserve Component remains an integral part of the Total Force, engaged in the full spectrum of military operations. Despite today's volatile, complex, and uncertain environment, what remains constant is the unparalleled ability of all Marines to accomplish the mission whenever the Nation calls.



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Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan



As a Combat Artist, Staff Sergeant Kris Battles, USMCR, was able to capture in drawings and paintings those elements of life in the Marine Corps which are rarely caught by photography.

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Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan



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Fourth Marine Aircraft Wing

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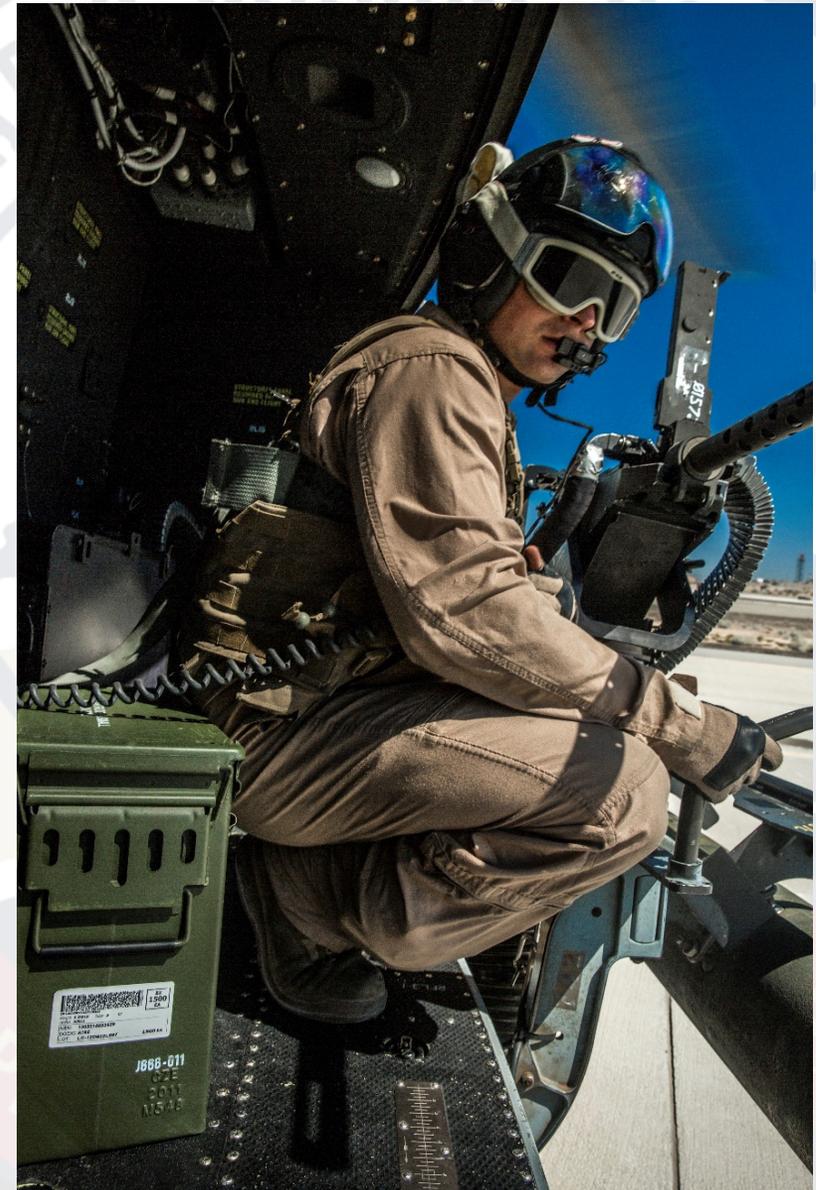
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Fourth Marine Aircraft Wing



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Fourth Marine Division

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Fourth Marine Division



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Fourth Marine Logistics Group

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Force Headquarters Group



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Marine Forces Reserve



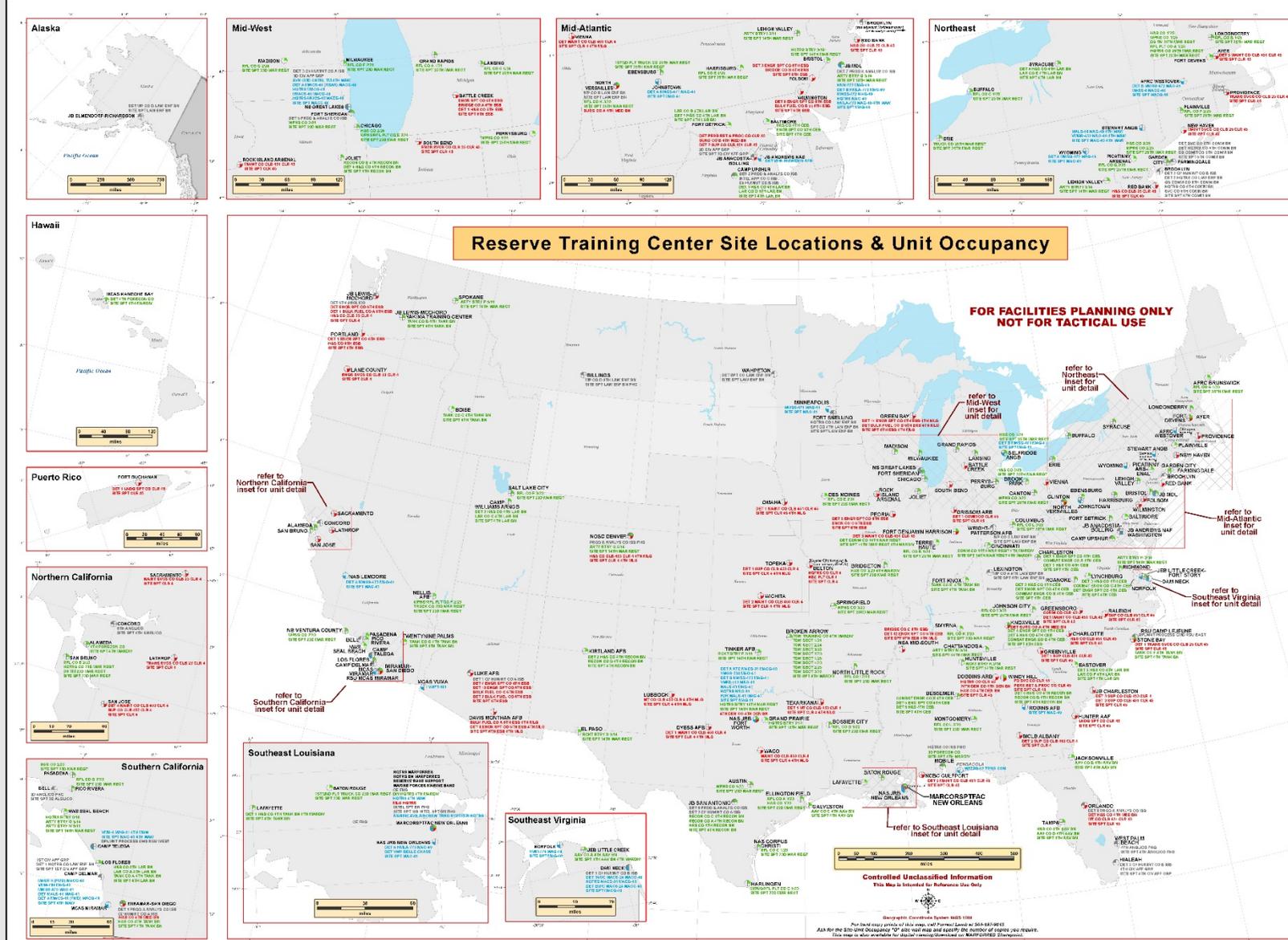
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- Force Headquarters Group
- 4th Marine Logistics Group
- 4th Marine Aircraft Wing

| Unit | Location | Notes |
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Reserve Training Center Site Locations & Unit Occupancy

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Headquarters Battalion



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Community Service

Reserve Marines are rooted in communities through their 161 training sites in 47 states. These facilities not only ensure Reserve Marines remain at a high state of readiness but their geographic dispersion facilitates a strong bond with local communities.



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Community Service



Marines in the Reserve Component provide most of the manpower, organization and distribution to the annual children's charity Toys for Tots, which provides toys to families in need. Since its establishment in 1947, Toys for Tots has distributed more than 500 million toys to children across the United States.



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Community Service



Reserve Marines routinely conduct military funeral honors, casualty assistance, color guards, military equipment displays, and participate in other community events, thus establishing an inseparable connection between the community and the Marine Corps.

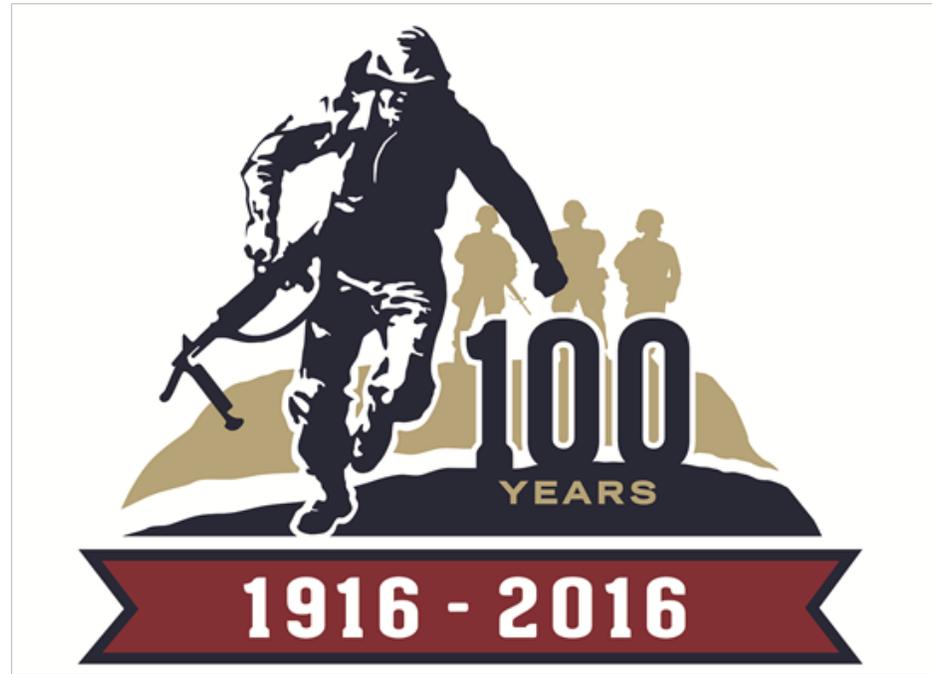


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