



U.S. Army Materiel Command

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## AMC senior enlisted leader holds Sustainment NCO town hall

FORT GREGG-ADAMS, Va. – Command Sgt. Maj. Jimmy Sellers, senior enlisted leader of Army Materiel Command, hosted a Sustainment Noncommissioned Officer town hall, April 5, at Beaty Theater. “The Sustainment NCO town hall is a platform that allows senior leaders to provide an understanding on the direction the Army and sustainment NCO cohort are going,” said Sellers.

**Related:** AMC senior enlisted leader releases handbook



## Army signs wide-ranging procurement agreement to cut costs

WASHINGTON – The Army and a Minnesota Service Cooperative have formalized a 10-year renewable partnership to sustain garrisons across the nation. In a Pentagon signing ceremony April 10, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations, Energy and Environment Rachel Jacobson said she was excited to partner with Sourcewell, the Minnesota local unit of government that provides cooperative purchasing nationwide to help local, state and federal agencies operate efficiently.



## USASAC finding flexible, faster ways to support partner nations

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – U.S. Army Security Assistance Command’s Simplified Nonstandard Acquisition Program, or SNAP, exists to provide an accelerated acquisition process that allows foreign military sales partners to obtain nonstandard assets such as small quantity, low-dollar, off-the-shelf, legacy and difficult to procure materiel. USASAC manages more than 6,500 cases for more than 130 partner nations with a total program value more than \$240 billion, and helps to increase their capabilities and strategic readiness.



## OIB Modernization funding to help preserve HWAD reservoir

HAWTHORNE, Nev. – Hawthorne Army Depot is the largest ammunition storage depot in the world, and it houses the most up-to-date and versatile demilitarization facility in the United States. Thanks to the Army’s 15-year plan for modernizing its Organic Industrial Base, the Black Beauty Reservoir is presently undergoing renovations. Prior to commencement of the project, the reservoir was inoperable, and the restoration of Black Beauty is of utmost importance as it directly supports the core competencies of HWAD.



## AMC communicators recognized by Army

REDSTONE ARSENAL, Ala. – Two communicators from the Army Materiel Command enterprise are among the recipients of a competition that features hundreds of submissions from across the Army public affairs community. For the third straight year, Becca Kidd from Communications-Electronics Command was recognized as the Army’s top community relations professional, while Molly Cooke from Fort Stewart garrison is the first recipient of the Civilian Graphic Designer of the Year Award since 2016.



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## PEOPLE FIRST – QUALITY OF LIFE UPDATES



### Fort Novosel breaks ground on \$100 million barracks complex

FORT NOVOSEL, Ala. – Fort Novosel held a groundbreaking ceremony for its first barracks building project since 1998, April 10. The new advanced individual training barracks project includes a two-story modified standard design for housing 320 enlisted Soldiers, totaling 76,000 square feet with an attached company operations facility.

[Related:](#) William A. Howell TSF opens its doors on Fort Novosel



### Innovative PFAS remediation kicked-off at USAG Ansbach

ANSBACH, Germany – On April 11, U.S. Army Garrison Ansbach held a construction kick-off to remove contaminated soil and water from Katterbach Army Airfield. Contamination with per- and polyfluorinated chemicals was detected around the former firefighting training area around a decade ago and the cleanup is a priority for the garrison and the Army.

[Related:](#) Public Health Command Europe finds clean water at Ansbach distribution plant



### USAG Italy fire team prepares for return of on-post housing

VICENZA, Italy – With housing construction at U.S. Army Garrison Italy in full swing, the garrison's fire department is bolstering staff and increasing training to prepare for when families once again live on post. This quarter, they've onboarded eight firefighters and have been putting their team through a rigorous, four-month academic and physical training process, said Derek Sardinta, the department's assistant fire chief. "We cover everything from hazardous material to medical, fire protection and technical rescue," Sardinta said.

### IMCOM commanding general makes first visit to Fort Leonard Wood

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – Lt. Gen. Omar Jones, Installation Management Command commanding general, stepped foot on Fort Leonard Wood for the first time April 10 to visit IMCOM directorates and thank the civilian workforce for their service and support.

[Related:](#) IMCOM Commander visits White Sands Missile Range

### Fort Carson conducts full-scale exercise

FORT CARSON, Colo. – Fort Carson tested its emergency response time, recovery systems and capabilities during its annual full-scale exercise April 10. "This is a full-scale, externally evaluated, exercise that tests Fort Carson's response to emergencies the installation may experience," said Col. Sean Brown, Fort Carson garrison commander. "It gives me the opportunity to test all of the garrison systems and other installation systems to best safeguard the Soldiers and their families."





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## Soldier athletes chase Olympic dreams through WCAP

WASHINGTON – As spectators around the world get ready for the Olympics and Paralympics in Paris, one Army program prepares Soldier athletes to compete in the games. The World Class Athlete Program allows top-ranked elite Soldier athletes to perform at the international level while serving in the military. Since 1948, 446 Soldiers have represented the United States at the Olympics, earning 111 medals in a variety of sports.

## SDDC unveils new mentorship program

SCOTT AIR FORCE BASE, Ill. – Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command leadership announced the implementation of a newly developed SDDC Mentorship Program focused on growing skills, improving ideas and advancing careers of the command's workforce. The Mentoring Program creates an agreement between two people to share experiences and expertise to help with personal and professional growth.

## Colombian reps visit Sierra Army Depot for joint inspection

SIERRA ARMY DEPOT, Calif. – Representatives of the Colombian Land Forces and the U.S. Security Assistance Management Directorate performed a joint visual and physical inspection of tactical vehicles at Sierra Army Depot, the first week of April. Colombia is allocated tactical vehicles through the Excess Defense Articles portion of the Foreign Military Sales program, if they choose to finalize any selections with a signed Letter of Offer and Acceptance.

## Rock Island agreement earns Community Partnership Award

ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL, Ill. – Representatives from Rock Island Arsenal and the Illinois Mutual Aid Box Alarm System received one of six 2023 Army Community Partnership Awards. The awards recognize Army installations and their community partners for initiatives that improve Soldier and family quality of life and strengthen local community relationships.

## JMC commander hosts Senior Leader Forum

ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL, Ill. – Col. Ronnie Anderson Jr., commander of Joint Munitions Command, gathered commanders from across the Organic Industrial Base in a senior leader forum centered around JMC's campaign plan, April 3-5. Anderson tasked the OIB commanders with providing their assessments of the plan and how it related to their facilities and employees.

## MCAAP employees celebrate Solar Eclipse and SHARP month

McALESTER, Okla. – McAlester Army Ammunition Plant employees kicked off Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month by gathering to watch the solar eclipse at the "Total Eclipse of the SHARP" watch party event. While they were not in the path of totality, MCAAP still received 98% sun obscuration from the moon.

### FOCUS ON THE FORCE



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