

140 MISSION SUPPORT SQUADRON

MISSION

The mission of the 140 Mission Support Squadron is to provide total base support of the tactical organization when required. The squadron provides the command-control element for non-tactical operations.

The squadron today consists of seven branches: the consolidated base personnel office (CBPO), unit administration, base services, legal services, social actions, operations and training and disaster preparedness. Each function supports the Colorado Air National Guard in many matters that affect us the most: Consolidated Base Personnel Office (CBPO). There is not one person in the Colorado ANG who does not have continuing contact with the CBPO Customer service, during the week, sees well over 200 people a month (almost 15 percent of our entire assigned strength!). Other significant parts of the CBPO include: Recruiting: The section's fine staff of recruiters have consistently placed within the Air National Guard's top percentages on number of recruits per recruiter. In addition, their efforts in recruiting quality persons has placed Colorado at the top of the nation's recruiting statistics for people not eliminated from formal training or technical school.

Personnel Systems Management This function, responsible for all personnel computer products, insures timely and accurate products to the many offices throughout the wing. Personnel Utilization: This section controls the assignment and mobility processing of all personnel in the Colorado ANG.

Base Career Advisor is responsible for retention programs, the ANG Bonus Program, the new GI Bill for Guardsmen and the Employer Support Program.

CBPO Training Section: This function is responsible for all On the Job (OJT) and formal training programs.

Unit Administration performs the difficult task of administering to the COANG's most diversified

organization.

Base Services is responsible for feeding and billeting COANG personnel on deployments and during UTAs. Morale is of course a very essential ingredient to the well being of any military organization; the new 140th Services Flight is a major element of that ingredient.

Legal Services advises members of the ANG on legal matters.

Social Actions ensures equal opportunity for all of the wing's personnel and conducts valuable human relations training.

Operations and Training: This branch provides training aids and a closed-circuit television system, which enables all areas of the base to receive educational programming at their call. Commanders use the system for commander's calls and other administrative purposes.

Disaster Preparedness: As a part of the operations and training branch, the major objectives of the disaster preparedness program are to protect resources and restore primary mission assets from the effects of enemy attacks and natural disasters, provide humanitarian aid and respond to major accidents. One of their jobs is to teach individuals how to respond and cope with incidents involving nuclear, biological and chemical warfare, including the use of protective clothing, shelters and decontamination procedures.

LINEAGE

140 Combat Support Squadron, 1 Oct 1962
140 Mission Support Squadron

STATIONS

Buckley AFB, CO

ASSIGNMENTS

140 Mission Support Group

COMMANDERS

LTC Edward F. Brown, 1 Oct 1962
LTC Walter Schrieber, 14 Apr 1964
LTC Benson Bates, 14 Nov 1965
LTC Fred Duncan, 1 May 1969
LTC Chester J. Preisser, Jr., 25 Apr 1972
LTC James B. Alford, 1 Jan 1981
Maj James A. Evans, 20 Sep 1985
Maj Kenneth R. Kimber, 12 Feb 1986
Maj Michael P. Rowan, 3 Jan 1988
Maj Thomas C. McGinley, 12 Mar 1989

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Since its formation, many functions now assigned to other squadrons have been a part of MSS. The 140th Materiel Squadron (Supply) was merged into the 140th CSS and later transferred to the wing before becoming a part of the 140th Resource Management Squadron. The transportation and motor vehicle operations sections and the comptroller function were also part of 140th Mission Support Squadron prior to their transfer to Resource Management Squadron.

The 140 CSS was redesignated the 140th Mission Support Squadron on 1 Oct 1987, with Maj Kenneth R. Kimber commanding. The reorganization, numbering 119 personnel combined portions of the 140th Communications Flight into the squadron, while reassigning combat arms training and the still photo section to other organizations within the wing. The stand alone 140 CF and 140 WSSF units, as well as the 140th Mission Support Flight, report to the current 140th MSS commander, Maj Thomas McGinley. Maj McGinley also serves as the mission support officer for the wing full-time support force.

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