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AMCOM 101 for Aviation Equips Army Leaders with Tools for Readiness

REDSTONE ARSENAL, AL

– The U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command hosted its spring AMCOM 101 Aviation Conference, a two-day event designed to equip Army aviation leaders with the tools and resources needed to enhance unit readiness. Maj. Gen. Lori Robinson, AMCOM commanding general, opened the session with a welcoming address to participants from around the globe, setting a clear tone of partnership and support.



The event provided a comprehensive overview of AMCOM's role in managing the complete lifecycle of Army aviation. This responsibility includes everything from ensuring helicopters are flight-ready to managing the supply chain for essential repair parts, guaranteeing every system is maintained, supplied and prepared for deployment at a moment's notice.

Robinson emphasized the importance of trust and... [READ MORE](#)

AMCOM update to AMC highlights workforce capabilities, modernization and AI

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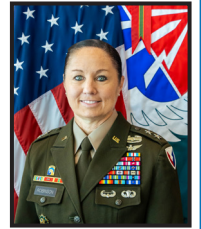
Led by AMCOM commander

Maj. Gen. Lori Robinson, the major subordinate command update was presented to AMC commander Lt. Gen. Chris Mohan.

The briefing opened with recognition of six AMCOM civilian employees for contributions and innovations that have improved readiness, efficiency and mission execution across the command.

AMCOM leaders emphasized workforce shaping efforts focused on maintaining the right balance of skills and capacity across the enterprise. Civilian employee strength at AMCOM headquarters and subordinate organizations — including the U.S. Army Test, Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment Activity; Letterkenny Army Depot; Corpus Christi Army Depot; the Security Assistance Management Directorate; and the... [READ MORE](#)

And just like that, it is the Spring of 2026. Although in Alabama we jumped straight into summer with 88-degree temperatures last week. I want to first recognize the outstanding work being done by AMCOM



employees around the world in support of Operation Epic Fury. AMCOM is shoulder-to-shoulder with our aviation and missile defense forces forward, working long hours managing and shipping munitions and working maintenance, sustainment, calibration, deployment and supply chain issues around the clock from all locations. I have been extremely proud, even with the turbulence we face in our civilian workforce, to watch AMCOM do what we always do best – provide worldclass support and develop solutions to problems. We will continue to support our deployed Soldiers until the mission is complete. But our ability to do this did not just start a couple of months ago. It is the result of what we have done every day at AMCOM for many years. It is at times like this that we see most clearly why driving readiness everyday matters. The AMCOM command team and staff is working hard to communicate ongoing changes to policies, processes and organizations to our supervisors and workforce regularly. The Army continues to transform quickly and the current conflict has further accelerated some of those changes out of need. I appreciate everyone's efforts to look critically at our processes, lean them down where able, utilize digital tools where effective and continue to learn and educate ourselves on emerging technology. I look forward to engaging with our workforce in two upcoming events – the AMCOM Town Hall on April 27 and the AMCOM Ignite Data Analytics Day on May 5. I also have travel planned to LEAD, CCAD and ACLC in the coming months to receive updates and recognize the efforts at our Depots and training bases. Thanks for all you do at AMCOM – it matters and makes a difference for our Soldiers every day.

*MG Lori Robinson
Commanding General
U.S. Army Aviation Missile Command*

AMCOM commander highlights sustainment, innovation at Army aviation summit

NASHVILLE, TN – The U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command is sharpening its focus on sustainment, data analytics and advanced manufacturing to ensure warfighters remain ready for current and future operations, its commanding general said.

Maj. Gen. Lori Robinson, AMCOM commanding general, addressed Army leaders, industry partners and international representatives during the 2026 Army Aviation Association of America Warfighting Summit, emphasizing that maintenance and sustainment remain foundational to mission success.

“Sustainment and maintenance are fundamental,” Robinson said. “We heard units describe themselves as maintenance organizations, and that’s exactly right. It is critical to everything we do.”

Robinson thanked partners across government and industry, noting that readiness requires a... [READ MORE](#)



Army leaders highlight industry partnerships, depot capabilities at AAAA summit

NASHVILLE, TN – Col. Kevin Consedine, commander of Corps Christi Army Depot, highlighted the scale, history and future of CCAD during an Industry Day presentation at the AAAA Warfighting Summit, emphasizing the depot’s central role in Army aviation sustainment and its growing partnerships with industry.

Maj. Gen. Lori Robinson, commander of the U. S. Army Aviation and Missile Command, opened the session by framing it as an opportunity to strengthen ties between the Army and private sector

partners. She also encouraged attendees to engage directly with depot leadership.

“Thank you for being here to see what CCAD has to offer,” she said. “We invite you down to see the depot in person and continue the conversation.”

She noted that representatives from across the Army enterprise were present, including Army Materiel Command, contracting officials and industrial operations teams, to help answer questions and... [READ MORE](#)



AMCOM commander addresses readiness, modernization with Army National Guard leaders

NASHVILLE, TN – Maj. Gen. Lori Robinson, commanding general of the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command, emphasized sustainment, readiness and modernization during remarks to Army National Guard aviation personnel at the Army Aviation Association of America Warfighting Summit.

Speaking candidly, Robinson acknowledged the complexity of current challenges while underscoring the Army’s focus on prioritizing resources.

“I don’t know that anyone will always have a great answer for every one of your questions,” Robinson said. “But we are working toward taking every dollar we have and putting it in the right spot. Where we put our dollars matters.”

Robinson highlighted ongoing aviation... [READ MORE](#)



Do you observe Lent?

“While the Lent season and the celebration of Easter have concluded, the lessons of renewal and reflection remain deeply relevant for

every civilian, service member and family within the Army community. We can carry the discipline of spiritual readiness with us throughout the entire year.”

My family’s tradition of decorating for Christmas as soon as November arrives stems from our deep gratitude for Christ’s birth and the salvation He brought. This makes Christmas the most eagerly anticipated day of our year. In the same spirit, Lent is a vital season for Christians. Since the early days of the Church—following Jesus’s Ascension and in firm belief of His promise to return soon—believers have observed Lent annually during the 40 days preceding Easter as a season of repentance, reflection, and spiritual renewal. This period comprises the 40 days of preparation leading up to Easter, the most important feast day in the Christian calendar.

It begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on the evening of Holy Thursday, just before Easter. This 40-day period commemorates the 40 days Jesus Christ spent fasting in the desert, where he was tempted by Satan before beginning his public ministry. The Lenten season is traditional marked by three key practices: prayer, fasting, and repentance. These pillars guide the faithful in believer’s spiritual journey towards Easter.

While Lent is steeped in a long history and rich traditions, it is also an incredibly personal spiritual journey. You might choose to follow a traditional fast, start a new spiritual practice, or simply set aside more time for quiet thought. Whatever path you choose, the goal is the same: to draw closer to God and prepare your heart for the overwhelming joy of Easter.

Every day is a chance to walk with the Lord, but during Lent, we have a special invitation to remember the amazing love and divine sacrifice of the Son of God. As we embrace this season of self-reflection and spiritual renewal, I pray that a bright Easter morning and a profound sense of peace will find us all.

*Chaplain Geun Lee
Command Chaplain
U.S. Army Aviation and Missile
Command*

AMCOM historian retires after 39 years of chronicling military history



REDSTONE ARSENAL, AL – After a distinguished 39-year career of chronicling military history, Kaylene Hughes, the Aviation and Missile Command historian, will close her office door one last time, leaving behind a legacy not written in dusty archives but etched into the hearts of those she inspired. She is

leaving a profound legacy of scholarship, mentorship and an unwavering belief in the power of the past to shape the future.

Hughes’ passion for history was kindled at an early age, sparked by the stories of her grandfather, a Navy veteran. This curiosity was nurtured throughout her childhood. Her father, a Navy brat himself, would take the family on trips to historical sites such as Mesa Verde, where the ancient cliff dwellings ignited her interest in Native American history and culture. Meanwhile, her mother’s fascination with genealogy and family history taught her the importance of understanding the complexities of human relationships and the impact of historical events on modern society.

This foundation led her to a remarkable career in federal service, which began in February 1987. Over the decades, Hughes became a guardian of military history. Her extensive research was a critical component of the Army Materiel Command’s historical coverage... [READ MORE](#)

AMCOM launches new portal to promote workforce excellence

REDSTONE ARSENAL, AL — Have you ever thought, “There has to be a better way”? Soon, you will have the chance to turn those thoughts into action. Your experience on the front lines of our daily operations gives you a perspective that no one else has. You see the opportunities for improvement that others miss.

Soon you’ll have the power to turn those ideas into reality. The new AMCOM Ideas Portal is your direct line to command leadership to champion change and make a lasting impact.

This new platform is designed to empower our workforce by providing a streamlined channel to submit ideas and watch them come to life. We believe that the most impactful ideas often come from our dedicated workforce. We are committed to fostering an environment where every employee feels empowered to suggest ideas without fear of failure. Progress depends on transforming thoughtful concepts into practical results that deliver value to the command.

This initiative builds on a proven track record of employee-driven success. For example, an original AMCOM Uplift... [READ MORE](#)

AMCOM town hall addresses workforce climate, Army restructuring and future capabilities



REDSTONE ARSENAL, AL – U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command leaders discussed workforce climate, Army restructuring and the future of aviation and missile capabilities during AMCOM’s quarterly town hall Tuesday, Feb. 10, in the Sparkman Center on Redstone Arsenal.

Maj. Gen. Lori Robinson, AMCOM’s commanding general, led the discussion alongside Don Nitti, AMCOM deputy to the commanding general, and AMCOM Command Sgt. Maj. Christopher Doss. The event is part of a regular series designed to foster open dialogue between leadership and employees. Together, the senior leaders addressed a range of topics affecting the command, the installation and the broader Army enterprise.

The town hall provided employees an opportunity to hear updates directly from senior leadership and gain context on changes underway across the force.

Robinson reviewed results from the Defense Organizational Climate Survey, or DEOCS, highlighting areas of strength and opportunities for improvement within the workforce. She emphasized leadership’s commitment to addressing employee feedback and... [READ MORE](#)

AMCOM completes workshops to modernize organizational structure and data agility

REDSTONE ARSENAL, AL – The U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command’s Business Transformation Office (BTO) recently spearheaded a command-wide workshop to modernize core business processes, moving the organization closer to the Army’s goal of a data-driven, agile future.

The initiative, led by the BTO with assistance from the AMCOM G-6, is a direct response to the "How We See Ourselves" initiative launched by Maj. Gen. Lori Robinson, AMCOM commanding general. It aligns with the Army’s broader Continuous Transformation Campaign Plan.

Building a Single Source of Truth

At the heart of the effort is a rigorous Business Process Re-engineering (BPR) review. The project seeks to evaluate end-to-end business processes to strengthen organizational design, workforce management, and financial accountability.

During the workshop, participants focused on developing "As-Is" process maps. These maps serve as a diagnostic tool, identifying current operational states to better integrate responsibilities and eliminate redundant workflows.

“To transform our organization, we must first have a clear picture of our current processes,” said Lisa Hirschler, AMCOM’s chief data and analytics officer and director of business transformation. “These workshops brought together a cross-functional group of stakeholders, enabling us to collaboratively map our existing workflows and incorporate end-user feedback to build a better future.”

The goal is to transform into a capability built on trusted, real-time data. By flattening and integrating these processes, the command can enable a "single source of truth" that allows leadership to make informed decisions with greater speed and accuracy.

A Collaborative Effort

The workshop brought together subject matter experts from across the command. Participants included human resources, manpower and budget personnel from throughout AMCOM, including AMCOM Logistics Center (ALC), U.S. Army Test, Measurement, and Diagnostic Equipment Activity (USATA) and the Command Resource Committee

By harnessing shared responsibility and automated data sharing, the BTO aims to reduce... [READ MORE](#)



Corpus Christi Army Depot Launches First Organic Composite Blade Repair Program



launched the first organic composite repair program for helicopter blades in the United States.

Corpus Christi Army Depot Commander COL Kevin Considine said, "Composite

blades aren't going anywhere. CCAD is a very important part of the industrial mix, and the depot takes pride in our products."

This initiative is a critical component of the depot's product verification audit. In Army Aviation, a Depot Product... [READ MORE](#)

CORPUS CHRISTI ARMY DEPOT, TX

- The enduring fleet of the Army's Blackhawk helicopter ensures a continuous workload for the Corpus Christi Army Depot in South Texas, particularly in the remanufacture of legacy platforms. In response to this sustained demand, CCAD has

CCAD Wins Top Honors in Army-Wide AI Competition

CORPUS CHRISTI ARMY DEPOT, TX - Corpus Christi Army Depot's Team CC Blue Ghost



earned first place in the U.S. Army's Vantage Edge 2: Artificial Intelligence Platform competition, outperforming 42 other teams to claim the event's top honor.

"Innovation starts with initiative, and this team had the drive to step outside the box and create something new," said Chief of Staff Zachary Anderson. "I'm excited to see where this incredible momentum takes us [CCAD] next."

Vantage is a premier Army enterprise data and analytics platform. Following a successful inaugural competition at the depot where 3 teams focused on user-interface designs. In which the Kitting project emerged as the decisive winner by using AI to predict part shortages and streamline the... [READ MORE](#)

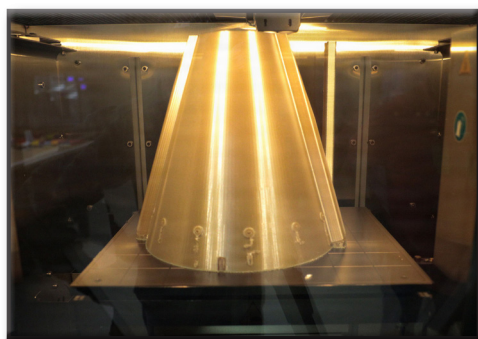
CCAD SABER Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

CORPUS CHRISTI ARMY DEPOT, TX - The Corpus Christi Army Depot recently held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the new Shearography Vacuum Chamber system. This installation, integrated into the rotor blade shop, marks the successful completion of Phase 1 of the SABER Program, aimed at achieving airworthiness qualification for advanced rework and overhaul processes.

Laser Shearography is a non-contact, non-destructive testing method that detects subsurface defects by observing surface changes under applied stress. This... [READ MORE](#)



Composite Manufacturing of UH-60 Tail Fins at Corpus Christi Army Depot



CORPUS CHRISTI ARMY DEPOT, TX - The UH-60 Black Hawk can be configured with different fuel tank configurations depending on mission requirements, such as combat missions. In some cases, the fuel tanks can hold an extra 250 gallons of fuel, extending

the aircraft's flight time. CCAD has pioneered the use of 3D printing to manufacture replacement tail fins for the UH-60 Black Hawk's Crashworthy External Fuel System. The tail fin frequently becomes damaged during loading, removal, or landing. If damaged, the part is deemed... [READ MORE](#)

Vice Chief of Staff of the Army visits LEAD

CHAMBERSBURG, PA - In a major visit to the Letterkenny Army Depot on April 2, Vice Chief of Staff of the Army Gen. Christopher LaNeve met with depot leadership and personnel to personally observe the depot's latest breakthroughs in air and missile defense sustainment.

“Hosting Gen. LaNeve afforded LEAD the opportunity to showcase our artisan workforce and their expert abilities to deliver precision sustainment to our Army, the Joint Force and our Allies,” said Col. Caleb Lewis, LEAD commander.

LaNeve and his staff toured one of the primary maintenance facilities at the depot and received capabilities updates on the... [READ MORE](#)



U.S. Army Materiel Command Executive Deputy to the Commanding General Visits Letterkenny Army Depot

CHAMBERSBURG, PA - The U.S. Army Materiel Command Executive Deputy to the Commanding General, Ms. Liz Miranda visited Letterkenny Army Depot on February 23rd. During her visit, she conducted an in-depth tour of our primary warehouses, receiving a familiarization brief on our streamlined logistics and storage capabilities.

This visit highlighted Letterkenny’s critical role in Army modernization and our commitment to ensuring the Organic Industrial Base remains ready to support the warfighter at a moment's notice.

Letterkenny Army Depot Welcomes the Japan Ministry of Defense

CHAMBERSBURG, PA - Letterkenny Army Depot welcomed the Japan Ministry of Defense on March 4th. Guest received a firsthand look at the world-class maintenance and modernization work our artisans perform every day. From air defense tactical missile support to advanced power generation, the visit highlighted how LEAD’s capabilities provide a strategic advantage not just for the U.S. Army, but for our global partners.



U.S. Representative Chief of Staff Visits Letterkenny Army Depot

CHAMBERSBURG, PA - Letterkenny Army Depot leadership and artisans proudly hosted Mr. Tim Nelson, Chief of Staff for U.S. Representative Ed Case, and several team members to the depot.

Mr. Nelson visited the production and missile facilities and then toured the Letterkenny Munitions Center. He learned of the depot's capabilities, at home and abroad, and how LEAD directly support the warfighter by delivering ready combat tools and equipment.



Logistics Assistance Representatives In Action



LAR Wayne Jones provided critical remote troubleshooting support to 1/82nd Airborne Regiment regarding persistent TADS/PNVS faults on an AH-64E(V6) aircraft. LAR Jones delivered expert guidance and instruction, enabling 1/82nd personnel to effectively diagnose and resolve the system failures.



LAR Dylan Friedrich helped the 1-1AB at Ft. Riley, Kansas unravel a multi-layered problem on a AH-64E Apache. The immediate culprit was a short in a cable, but the root cause, a failed locking mechanisms on a connector that had allowed crucial cables to pull free.



LAR Mark Puthoff provided training to soldiers assigned to 3-1 Assault Helicopter Battalion, 1st ID CAB at Ft. Riley, Kansas. The training consisted of step-by-step PMCS procedures, the theory operations behind it, and how to properly inspect per the applicable Technical Manuals and how hydraulic systems work.

LAR Pearce assisted 602D maintainers of 2ID CAB troubleshooting a faulty Turret Outer Gimbal on an AH-64E. The Turret Outer Gimbal would not move in azimuth. LAR Pearce recommended a replacement and continuity tests of the replacement Turret before installation.



LAR Jesse Harris provided guidance to B Co., 224th in identifying structural defects to an MQ-1C Extended Range aircraft. His instruction focused on differentiating genuine cracks in the aft fuselage from cosmetic composite flaws like resin pooling and wrinkles. He advised that confirmed cracks necessitate a Maintenance Engineering Call (MEC) for more intensive field-level inspections.

Through the Lens at AMCOM



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BG Steven Ranieri and his team from the Army Offices of Staff Judge Advocate visited Redstone Arsenal. Known as the Article 6 Team, BG Ranieri gave updates on the OSJA.

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