



Texas Military Preparedness Commission

Office of the Governor

Laughlin Air Force Base - Del Rio, TX



MISSION:

Laughlin AFB is home to the 47th Flying Training Wing and pilots earn their silver wings flying the T-6A Texan II, T-38 Talon, and T-1A Jayhawk. Laughlin's mission is the graduate the world's best military pilots, deploy mission-ready warriors, and develop professional, resilient, and innovative airmen.

TENANT COMMANDS

Laughlin Air Force Base (AFB) is the largest pilot training base in the U.S. Air Force.

The **47th Flying Training Wing** conducts specialized undergraduate pilot training for the U.S. Air Force, Air Force Reserve, Air National Guard, and allied nation air forces.

The **47th Mission Support Group** oversees base activities including personnel management, administrative services, security, and resource protection, disaster preparedness, recreational activities, family and transient housing, airmen dormitories and dining facilities. Other responsibilities include the upkeep of base buildings, facilities, and infrastructures, environmental protection, energy conservation, and base communications.

The **47th Medical Group** promotes and ensures wellness, optimal healthcare, and readiness.

The **47th Operations Group** is responsible for training pilots by providing management, control, standardization and evaluation.

OUTLOOK:

The City of Del Rio and Val Verde County have both been recipients of grants from the Office of the Governor for security projects and aircraft protection shades. A previous grant from the Office of the Governor included creating a "Grow-your-own" program at Southwest Texas Junior College which helps to train and fill the gap of maintainers needed for aircraft and mission-dependent equipment.

Variable	Total Impact
Total Employment (indirect included)	7,835
Output to the Texas Economy (in billions)	\$1.4
GDP (in millions)	\$800
Disposable Personal Income (in millions)	\$458

Source: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, 2015

PARTNERSHIPS:

In addition to the "Grow-Your-Own" program at Southwest Texas Junior College, there is strong civic and community support for multiple projects. Val Verde County Sheriff's Office shares a small arms firing range with the base, joint training with the Texas Department of Public Service, and the Val Verde Regional Medical Center partnership. Val Verde Regional Medical Center (VVRMC) and the Laughlin AFB clinic have worked to implement pediatric-focused clinical protocols including Newborn Nursery Discharge, Hypoglycemia Protocol, and Photo-therapy protocol. Other initiatives include a clinical lecture series and clinical rotation for Laughlin nurses and medics.

Item	Personnel
Active Duty Military	1,283
Government Civilians	875
Contractors	196
National Guard & Reserve	78
Total	2,432

Source: Laughlin Air Force Base, 2015

