



Texas Military Preparedness Commission

Office of the Governor

Sheppard Air Force Base 2020

MISSION

Sheppard Air Force Base (AFB) hosts the 82nd Training Wing which provides technical training to over 65,000 Airmen, Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, and international students. Sheppard AFB is the largest, most diverse training base in Air Education and Training Command (AETC). It is the only Air Force base that is home to technical and specialized flight training.

TENANT COMMANDS

The **82nd Training Wing** is comprised of the **82nd Mission Support Group (MSG)**, the **82nd Medical Group**, and the **82nd Training Group**. The **82nd MSG** supports over 20,000 people with needs from housing to logistics and much more. The 82nd MSG oversees 2,300 + facilities and multiple runways on 5,700 + acres. The **82nd Medical Group** oversees the medical needs of the two wings at Sheppard AFB and beneficiaries. The **82nd Training Group** oversees aircraft maintenance, armament, and munitions. All of these teams support the 80th Flying Training Wing and the **Euro-NATO Joint Jet Pilot Training (ENJJPT)** program. Member nations of this program include Germany, Canada, Denmark, Norway, Portugal, and many others. Sheppard AFB has access to exceptional flying weather and airspace, something that member nations don't necessarily have a large amount of. This also allows the growth of positive relationships with international team members.

PARTNERSHIPS

Sheppard AFB is supported by community leaders and citizens, ensuring the success of Sheppard's missions. The Sheppard Military Affairs Committee is a non-profit organization whose primary function is to serve as a voice for Sheppard in community affairs. The City of Wichita Falls, Chamber of Commerce, and Wichita County are all supportive of missions and events at Sheppard AFB. Personnel at Sheppard AFB provide hours of community service in support of programs like Hope for the Homeless, Falls Fest, and the Texas-Oklahoma State Fair.

Variable	Total Impact
Direct Employment	9,576
Output to the Texas Economy (in billions)	\$4.6
GDP (in billions)	\$2.8
Disposable Personal Income (in billions)	\$1.3

Source: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, 2019

OUTLOOK

Sheppard AFB has hosted the ENJJPT program since 1981 with strong success. In 2014, Sheppard AFB provided over 930 courses, 12,200 classes, and 1.71 million instructional hours to their pilots. A DEAAG award (\$1.5 million) to the City of Wichita Falls supported a security project on the installation. Sheppard AFB is one of the busiest airfields in the Air Force and is the largest economic driver and employer in a 50-mile radius including Wichita, Archer, and Clay Counties. Additionally, Sheppard AFB supports 3,700 retirees in the area.

