

AIR FORCE ASSOCIATION



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U.S. AIR FORCE

“Regardless of where the next conflict occurs or which adversary it features, the Air Force will be at the forefront.”

- National Defense Strategy Commission

Join the Fight!

AFA's Key Advocacy Documents

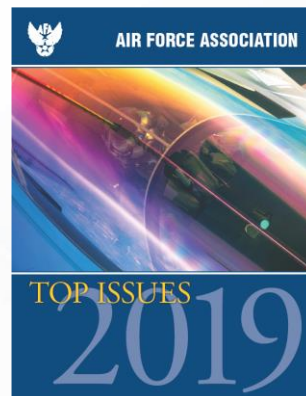


'Air Force Association Top Issues – 2019'

- https://www.afa.org/content/dam/afa/news-images/AFA%20Top%20Issues_2019.pdf

'Air Force Association Legislative Issues – 2019'

- <https://www.afa.org/content/dam/afa/news-images/AFA%20Legislative%20Issues-2019.pdf>



The Air Force Association's Mission is to Promote a Dominant United States Air Force and Strong National Defense, and to Honor Airmen and Our Air Force Heritage

REBUILD COMBAT READINESS IN AIR, SPACE, AND CYBERSPACE IN A TIMELY MANNER



- a) DOD and VA budgets must be law by start of each fiscal year (FY)
 - Continuing Resolutions (CRs) degrade readiness
 - Yearly budget allows long-term plans and effectively-managed programs
- b) Readiness requires consistent investments

Stable and Predictable funding—at right funding level

INCREASE FORCE STRUCTURE



- a) Increase Active Duty personnel to 350,000; Air National Guard to 120,000, Reserve to 72,500
- b) Grow professional space cadre
- c) Grow Total Force to 386 operational squadrons
- d) Organize, Train and Equip for space
- e) Emphasize space doctrine

The Air Force is too small for what the nation requires of it

ACCELERATE RECAPITALIZATION / MODERNIZATION (Cont'd)



1. F-35A Lightning II
2. KC-46A Pegasus Tanker
3. B-21 Raider Bomber
4. Ground Based Strategic Deterrent (GBSD)
5. Airlift fleet
6. Advanced Battle Management System (ABMS)
7. Long Range Standoff Weapon (LRSO)
8. Grow robust space

Accelerate the Air Force's top acquisition programs

ACCELERATE RECAPITALIZATION / MODERNIZATION



9. Next Generation ISR

10. Defense industrial base policies

11. UH-1N fleet

12. Nuclear Command, Control & Communications
(NC3) and Multi-Domain Command and Control
(MDC2)

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INCREASE INVESTMENTS IN TECHNOLOGY



- a) Invest at least 10 percent of Science & Technology (S&T) funding in sustainment technologies
- b) Advance hypersonic technologies
- c) Invest in Artificial Intelligence (AI) systems
- d) Leverage industry's progress on autonomy and quantum computing
- e) Support Air Force Research Laboratory and National Laboratories

Accelerate the Air Force's top acquisition programs

**SUPPORT AIRMEN AND THEIR FAMILIES;
TREAT RETIREES AND VETERANS WITH
DIGNITY AND RESPECT; CHAMPION
CIVILIAN MATTERS**



a) AIRMEN AND FAMILIES

1. Pay and Benefits

- Military pay raises at Employment Cost Index (ECI)
- Authorities for special pays and bonuses
- Defend against changes to educational opportunities
- Protect 'Shopping Benefit'

2. Healthcare: Healthcare is a readiness issue

- TRICARE
- Proposed cut of 17,000 military medical positions

3. Air Force Housing

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b) VETERANS

1. Pay and Benefits

- Support Cost of Living Allowances (COLAs)

2. Healthcare: Honor our nation's promise to veterans

- Challenge TRICARE fee increases
- Preserve TRICARE for Life (TFL)
- Improve VA Health Care

3. End "The Widow's Tax"

Treat Retirees and Veterans with Dignity and Respect

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c) CIVILIANS

1. Support recruitment, talent management, and retention of quality Air Force civilians
2. Promote civilian pay raises



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