

MISSION

When ordered by the Georgia State Adjutant General, provide an organized, trained, disciplined, rapid response volunteer force to assist state and local government agencies and civil relief organizations in impending or actual emergencies to assure the welfare and safety of the citizens of Georgia. Also, on order, support the activities of the Georgia National Guard and other branches of the Georgia Department of Defense.

BASIC MISSION ESSENTIAL TASK LIST (BMETL):

Support and augment Georgia National Guard forces.

Provide professional skills to the Georgia Department of Defense.

Assist Georgia communities.

EXPANDED MISSION ESSENTIAL TASK LIST (EMETL):

General Military Knowledge
Law Enforcement Assistance
Land Navigation
Communication
Medical operations
Public Affairs
Patrolling
Disaster Relief Support
Search and Rescue Operations
Military Operations
Anti-Terrorism

Chaplain Support
Community Engagement Operations

Liaison Officer Operations

Staff Judge Advocate Support Concept of Operations Plan (CONPLAN) 3500 Taskings

Other Tasks as Authorized by The Adjutant General (TAG) – Georgia

AUTHORIZATION

The Georgia State Defense Force is a legally constituted element of the Georgia Department of Defense, serving in support of the national and state constitutions under direction of the Governor and the Adjutant General of the State of Georgia as authorized by 32 U.S.C. § 109 and O.C.G.A. § 38-2-50

VISION

The Georgia State Defense Force is a strong and growing all volunteer military organization, providing readiness and innovation; an interagency partner and leader; postured for effective state responses; chosen for new missions and force structure that provides opportunities for members who live the Georgia State Defense Force values to realize their potential through service to the state of Georgia.

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RECRUITS WANTED!

GEORGIA STATE DEFENSE FORCE



FORWARD ALL ABLE-BODIED, PATRIOTIC CITIZENS OF GEORGIA TO FILL THE RANKS







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2nd Battalion
A Co. Marietta
B Co. Rome



3rd Battalio Winder



4th BattalionDahlonega

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The 1st Brigade (1BDE) provides the "boots on the ground" for the Georgia State Defense Force (GSDF) in North Georgia. The "area of operation" (AO) of the 1BDE is everything north of I-20 including areas in Dekalb, Henry and Rockdale counties that are south of I-20, from the Alabama state line to South Carolina and extending up to Tennessee and North Carolina. This large area is supported by three battalions of the 1BDE. The 2nd battalion (2/1) is headquartered at the armory in Marietta and has a company located in Rome. They cover the western and northwestern parts of the state up to the Tennessee state line. The 3rd battalion (3/1) is headquartered in Winder and covers the state to the east and northeast to the South Carolina state line. The

4th battalion (4/1) is based in Dahlonega, and covers north Georgia to the North Caroli-



na state line.

The 1BDE is extensively trained in urban search and rescue (USAR), wilderness search and rescue (WSAR) and land navigation. The 1BDE has provided skilled assistance on numerous occasions to local authorities in their efforts to locate lost persons. These efforts have been lauded by the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Georgia Emergency Management Agency and many law enforcement agencies for the skill, energy and resourcefulness shown

by the 1BDE soldiers during search operations.

Disaster relief is also a large part of what the 1BDE is involved with and trains for every year. From Hurricane Katrina in 2005 to Hurricane Irma in 2017, the 1BDE has been

deployed to locations throughout the state of Georgia. Whether it is shelter augmentation, chain saw operations, traffic control, USAR, WSAR, area security, Points of Distribution Site (PODS) operations or any other needed skill, the 1BDE has always been ready to serve the citizens of the state of Georgia. 1BDE personnel were present during tornadoes in central and northwest Georgia as well as the wildfires in southeast Georgia. The 1BDE has a history of always being ready to serve when asked by the Governor to support the citizens of the state.



Ready to Serve

The Georgia State Defense Force directly supports the Georgia Army National Guard providing Opposing Force (OPFOR) troops for the Pre-Mobilization Training Assistance Element (PTAE). The mission is to provide a close-to-reality scenario to exercising troops contributing to individual combat awareness. Opportunities also exist for support operations to the Small Arms Leadership Course (SALC) and other facets of National Guard training.





During the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, the Georgia State Defense Force experienced the longest call-up in its history providing medical support and screening, food bank operations and distribution, decontamination operations and more. The Georgia Department of Defense awarded the Georgia State Defense Force the Georgia Distinguished Unit Ribbon for its service.

Drills are one weekend a month at the 2^{nd} , 3^{rd} or 4^{th} battalion armories or in the field within the battalion area of operation. Annual Training (AT) is typically held at a military base or training facility in the state. Here the monthly training is put to the test with a scenario based on that training. This is usually a three to four day exercise that puts the 1BDE skills to the test.

1st Brigade, with units in Dahlonega, Marietta, Rome and Winder, is now recruiting men and women ages 18 to 64 with a high school education or greater to serve our state when called upon. If you want to be where the action is, contact the 1BDE recruiter today. For more information or to join our ranks, contact:



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