

# **CIVIL AIR PATROL**



## **WHO WE ARE**

Since Civil Air Patrol's (CAP) formation during the earliest days of World War II, this vigilant organization of citizen Airmen has been committed to service to America. Founded on Dec. 1, 1941, to mobilize the nation's civilian aviation resources for national defense service, CAP has evolved into a premier public service organization that still carries out emergency service missions when needed — in the air and on the ground.

As a Total Force partner and Auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force, CAP is there to search for and find the lost, provide comfort in times of disaster and work to keep the homeland safe. Its 60,000 members selflessly devote their time, energy and expertise toward the well-being of their communities, while also promoting aviation and related fields through aerospace/STEM education and helping shape future leaders through CAP's cadet program.

### WHAT WE DO

#### **Emergency Services**

Members of the Civil Air Patrol perform emergency services for state and local agencies as well as the federal government as the civilian auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force and for states/local communities as a nonprofit organization. Ever vigilant, these true patriots make a difference in their communities, not only to assist in times of disaster but also to search for the lost and protect the homeland.

#### **Aerospace Education**

Civil Air Patrol's awarding-winning aerospace education program promotes aerospace, aviation and STEM-related careers with engaging, standards-based, hands-on curriculum and activities. It shapes the experiences and aspirations of youth both in and outside of CAP's cadet program.

#### **Cadet Programs**

Civil Air Patrol's cadet program transforms youth into dynamic Americans and aerospace leaders through a curriculum that focuses on leadership, aerospace, fitness and character. As cadets participate in these four elements, they advance through a series of achievements, earning honors and increased responsibilities along the way. Many of the nation's astronauts, pilots, engineers and scientists first explored their careers through CAP.

## **MILLER FLIGHT**

Right now, the Miller Flight has 10 members (6 adults and 4 cadets). Unlike the military, we have no limits on how many members we can have in a certain unit. If someone is of good character, is willing to serve, and wants to have fun and learn new things, we probably have a job in CAP they would enjoy. Members do not have to be pilots. In fact, only a small percentage of our membership are active pilots. Nor do you have to have military experience, though that would be very useful. If you're an adult and are of good character (our active members go through an FBI background check), or a young person ages 12-18 who wants to honor and serve our community and America, CAP has a place for you.