The Pennsylvania Counterdrug Joint Task Force (PA CJTF) has continued to conduct full-spectrum operations in 2012; however, funding constraints have reduced the depth of support provided to partner agencies. These fiscal gaps were caused by a shortfall in the FY12 President’s Budget, Congressional Continuing Resolutions, and other economic considerations. The intermittent release of funds and uncertain budget projections has negatively impacted staff continuity, causing an accordion effect on the hiring and retention of experienced personnel. With the support of the National Guard Association of the United States (NGAUS) and state leadership, the PA CJTF has legislative language (inset) that, if enacted, will remedy the historical funding instability.

Although funding has hampered support, we continue to provide vital services to local, state, and federal law enforcement and community-based organizations. This annual report provides specific details on the contributions the Pennsylvania National Guard made in interdicting and preventing drugs as well as safeguarding citizens from the impacts caused by drugs and related violence.

Behind every statistic in this report is a dedicated National Guard soldier or airman. These men and women are truly the most important part of the Counterdrug program. Our success is directly attributable to their leadership, experience, skills, and commitment to their communities. Despite a 70 percent reduction in staff over the past three years, PA CJTF achievements continue to exceed expectations because of staff loyalty and hard work.

Through partnership with the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General and support to the Pennsylvania State Police, the Philadelphia/Camden High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA), and numerous local agencies across the Commonwealth, the PA CJTF’s criminal analyst, aviation, and ion scan capabilities effectively target the illicit production, distribution, and transportation of drugs as well as the financing of criminal activities. PA CJTF’s partnership with the Philadelphia/Camden HIDTA continues to be a high priority and Counterdrug remains committed to providing it with significant criminal analysis, currency imaging, drug and explosive residue detection, and universal forensic extraction capabilities.

Updated technology and device portability increased ion scan support provided by trained PA CJTF operators who are recognized as expert witnesses in several courts throughout the Commonwealth. This year we introduced TruNarc capabilities and money counters to our toolkits. The TruNarcs provide a capability to detect and identify synthetic substances using laser spectrometry. High-speed currency counters document serial numbers as well as bill quantities to record detailed information for investigations and seizures.

The PA CJTF Civil Operations prevention and outreach increased coalition capacity in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, and the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre areas. Integrating support with the Pennsylvania Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs (DDAP) ensures statewide outreach and coordinates efforts to reduce drug abuse in the Commonwealth.

The PA CJTF Substance Abuse Prevention and Outreach programs ensure readiness of the Pennsylvania National Guard’s 16,300 members. Consistent drug testing deters use and provides a means for early intervention. Providing training, briefings, and other prevention education support increases awareness and ensures timely assistance for National Guard members and their families.

With fewer resources, the Northeast Counterdrug Training Center (NCTC) has worked harder than ever to increase training efficiency, effectiveness, and quality through increased mobile training teams, web-based training, and new academic partnerships. The Pennsylvania and Wisconsin campuses offer excellent regional training at up-to-date facilities with state-of-the-art equipment. This year NCTC upgraded the firearms training simulators to increase split-second decision-making and negotiation skills and safety capabilities while adding the capacity to offer mobile training at remote sites throughout the northeast. NCTC continues to explore additional technologies and opportunities to enhance services, conduct ongoing needs assessments, offer training on relevant skills and abilities, streamline processes, and ensure officer safety.

Our goal is to serve you and support your organization with our specialized equipment, skills, and expertise. If you have any questions, concerns, suggestions, support, or training needs, please contact us at www.counterdrug.org.

Sincerely,

Gilbert (Dusty) Durand II
LTC, MS, PAANG
Commander

134th NGAUS General Conference
Joint Resolution #5

National Guard Counterdrug Program

1. Matched funding of the National Guard Counterdrug program end strength to the Congressionally-approved maximum authorization of 4,000 guardsmen
2. Permanently funding the National Guard CD program state plans at not less than 28 percent of the OSD-CD-CTA (Office of Secretary of Defense Counterdrug Central Transfer Account), which then allows the program funding to match authorized program strength, which also meets congressional intent
3. Permanently funding the authorized National Guard Counterdrug schools at not less than 3 percent of the OSD-CD-CTA, which will allow for authorization and appropriation to match congressional intent
4. Issuing a policy statement to the administration that Counterdrug schools should be fully funded in the President’s Budget without having to depend on Congress to bridge the shortfall
CJTF Resource Allocation

CJTF Mission Statement
The mission of the Counterdrug Joint Task Force is to leverage unique National Guard capabilities to support community efforts against illicit drugs and emerging threats.

Northeast Counterdrug Training Center
Support to Law Enforcement
Support to National Guard
Civil Operations/Drug Demand Reduction
Administration

AVIATION • 5%
CRIMINAL ANALYSIS • 11%
ION SCAN • 3%
JOINT SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM • 3%
PREVENTION, TREATMENT, OUTREACH • 1%
CIVIL OPERATIONS • 7%
ADMINISTRATION • 9%

RESIDENT COURSES • 27%
EXPORT COURSES • 15%
TRAINING SUPPORT • 12%
Substance Abuse

Supporting the National Guard

JOINT SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM

The Pennsylvania National Guard’s Counterdrug Joint Task Force Joint Substance Abuse Program (JSAP) serves all Army and Air National Guard units in Pennsylvania. The program’s mission is to strengthen the overall effectiveness of the Pennsylvania National Guard’s total workforce and to enhance the combat-readiness of its members through testing units as a deterrent to drug abuse. The JSAP tested 15,701 soldiers and airmen, or 103 percent of the total available strength through FY12. The JSAP is also responsible for the training of Unit Prevention Leaders/Drug Testing Program Administrative Managers (UPLs/DTPAMs) to provide education to the service members on the consequences of drug abuse. In FY12, 366 service members were trained as UPLs/DTPAMs.

Supporting National Guard Families

PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND OUTREACH

The Prevention, Treatment, and Outreach (PTO) program supports National Guard service members and their families through education and outreach programs. The Prevention Coordinator (PC) acts as a liaison between service members and their unit leadership regarding substance abuse regulations, policy, and procedure. The PC’s goal is to provide prevention strategies to units and treatment resources to service members and their families. Through Unit Risk Inventories (URI) and Team Readiness Training, unit leaders are provided tools that assist with recognizing problematic areas before they impact morale and unit readiness.

During FY12, the PTO program provided briefings regarding the dangers of drugs and alcohol abuse. The PTO program conducted 84 briefings reaching 4,721 service members. These endeavors assist service members with maintaining safe, healthy, and drug-free lifestyles. Self-Referrals and Command–Referrals for service members can be facilitated through the PC in working relationship with unit leaders.
CRIMINAL ANALYST

Pennsylvania Counterdrug Criminal Analysts support federal, state, and local narcotics units across the Commonwealth. Analysts receive in-depth training to learn the intricacies of narcotics investigations and money laundering associated with these types of investigations. Training includes two initial criminal analyst classes and a fiscal requirement of 16 hours of professional development. Conducting research and performing complex analyses, these analysts are able to identify crime patterns and trends that may be compiled and shared through networking practices for regional intelligence gathering. A full spectrum of automated tools provides support agencies with valuable intelligence products.

One such automated tool, the Cellebrite UFED Ultimate, enables law enforcement agencies supported by Counterdrug Joint Task Force soldiers to take their investigations to the next level by providing information not easily obtained from cellular devices. The Cellebrite, when combined with other automated tools such as the LEA De-confliction system, enhances the investigation when multiple cases may be involved, thereby contributing to greater successes in and among law enforcement agencies.

Criminal analysts successfully contributed to several significant cases resulting in the closure of several methamphetamine labs and multiple seizures of marijuana, cocaine, currency, weapons, vehicles, and jewelry. All of our criminal analysts have received training in terror threat finance to pursue drug trafficking networks funding streams by identifying their money laundering practices. The continued partnerships between agencies will further enhance the ability to track and dismantle drug trafficking organizations.

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**Support to Local Law Enforcement**
Support to Local Law Enforcement

ION SCAN

The Ion Scan section of the Counterdrug Joint Task Force has specially trained National Guard personnel using the latest technology in Ion Mobilization Spectrometry (IMS). This technology detects trace amounts of narcotics and explosives on items seized in narcotic cases. The Ion Scan section consists of four personnel that are strategically placed throughout the state, located in Butler, Allentown, Philadelphia/Camden HIDTA, and Fort Indiantown Gap. In FY12, the CJTF fully employed the Smith Detection 500 DT. This instrument scans for more than 40 different types of explosive and narcotic substances simultaneously with one scan. Ion Scan operators are able to take samples from a large variety of items to include currency, vehicles, clothing, packages, crates, and electronic devices. IMS technology is accepted in federal, state, and local jurisdictions and is used by Coast Guard, U.S. Customs, Corrections, and the Transportation Security Administration. In FY12, the Ion Scan section conducted more than 1,024 different samples, with 740 of the tests resulting in alarms for narcotics. This resulted in more than $12,436,193 in currency or items seized in narcotic investigations for the fiscal year.

Future operations for the Ion Scan section will include the use of new technology such as the TruNarc Handheld Thermo Scientific Analyzer. This system uses a laser to identify unknown substances and can identify a wide variety of narcotics. Also, the Ion Scan section will be aiding the Criminal Analysts with their threat-based finance mission by using the new Cummins-Allison money counters that scan and report serial numbers for currency.
AVIATION OPERATIONS

Specially-trained Counterdrug Aviation Operations (CDAOPS) pilots use OH-58 KIOWA helicopters to perform aerial reconnaissance and observation of suspected illegal drug activity in support of Local Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs). This capability offers the on-board law enforcement officer an aerial vantage point and communication platform to support ground operations during illegal drug investigations.

During FY12, CDAOPS supported numerous LEAs with search warrant service, buy/bust aerial observation, and aerial photography reconnaissance missions. These missions resulted in 15 heroin and marijuana-related arrests and more than $14,000 in heroin seizures throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. CDAOPS support is also extremely useful in identifying the location of illegal marijuana growing operations. During FY12, 6,333 plants with a street value of $12,666,000 were located, harvested, and destroyed. CDAOPS personnel also independently provided aerial observation training to 82 law enforcement officers throughout the Commonwealth.

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Support to Local Law Enforcement

CIVIL OPERATIONS

The mission focus this year was coalition building. During the first quarter all Civil Operations NCOs were qualified as Lead and Seed instructors. Lead and Seed is an internationally recognized evidence-based practice where youth run their own coalitions to bring about environmental changes.

The second quarter proved to be the busiest with regard to coalition building support. CJTF integrated its resources by collaborating with the Northeast Counterdrug Training Center to provide a three-day coalition and grant-writing class for four coalitions in Philadelphia, and a statewide Communities That Care director’s training. The National Guard Bureau unveiled its Kaizen Tool at the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America annual conference in February. This tool is a self-assessment we guide the coalitions through to receive immediate results pertaining to the infrastructure of the coalition. The year ended with more in-depth coalition building support in Philadelphia and much needed logistical support to the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs (DDAP) with the National Prevention Network Research Conference in Pittsburgh.

Six Civil Operations NCOs reached a total audience of 22,472 through parent awareness presentations, youth leadership camps, adventure-based education, students against destructive decisions conferences, student presentations in schools, mock trials, and our evidence-based program, Stay on Track.

Much collaboration took place between CJTF, Drug Free Pennsylvania, and DDAP to bring a fifth-year, statewide Public Service Announcement contest to middle and high school students. With this year’s theme “Be Part of the Majority,” more than 9,300 youth were exposed to this very important message that most kids are not using drugs or alcohol.
NCTC HISTORY

Founded in 1999, in accordance with the provisions outlined in the Defense Appropriations Act and operated by the Pennsylvania National Guard, the Northeast Counterdrug Training Center (NCTC) is proud to announce the successful conclusion of its 12th year serving military, state, federal, and local law enforcement officials and community prevention specialists. The outpouring support from Congress, the Department of Defense, and law enforcement and anti-drug community leaders significantly and consistently contributes to NCTC’s success.

NCTC operates two campuses; the main campus is located at Fort Indiantown Gap in Annville, Pennsylvania and its satellite campus, Volk Field, is located at Camp Douglas, Wisconsin. Since its inception, NCTC has grown to offer more than 60 unique counterdrug training courses focusing on topics including operations and interdiction, interrogation, undercover operations, leadership, terrorism, intelligence, and drug demand reduction. Mobile Training Teams (MTTs) enable specialized training to reach throughout its 18-state region. NCTC is staffed with National Guard soldiers and airmen who provide professional, technical, and tactical support throughout the training year. NCTC instructors are subject matter experts with extensive education and training backgrounds and proven successes.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Northeast Counterdrug Training Center is to provide cost-effective counterdrug education and advanced training to fight domestic and transnational drug trafficking organizations that threaten public safety and national security.
IMPACT

NCTC’s schedule of course offerings is determined by the amount of funding received each year. Federal funding is received through the National Guard Bureau and periodic funding is also received through grant awards that support training including facilities and equipment. Federal funding received for 2012 was $4.18 million and represents a 2 percent increase over last year’s funding.

ACCREDITATION

CALEA’s Public Safety Training Academy standards are seen as benchmarks for today’s law enforcement training programs. On March 25 at the Spring 2012 CALEA Conference in Mobile, Alabama, the CALEA Review Committee unanimously approved NCTC for its re-accreditation award with the distinctive Accreditation with Excellence endorsement. This Excellence award is another first for the military, and places NCTC in an elite group of CALEA Accredited Training Academies worldwide with such status.

GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

NCTC’s course offerings continued to expand with the addition of six new courses in 2012—Outlaw Motorcycle Gangs, Cell Phone Investigations, Tactical Entry to Methamphetamine Laboratories, Terror Threat Financing, Criminal Analyst, and the National Planners Course. Three of these courses were made possible through our federal and state partnerships with the Defense Intelligence Agency, the Department of Homeland Security, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the National Guard Bureau. An Advanced Interview and Investigation course is planned for 2013.

NCTC’s commitment to training remains stronger than ever. NCTC invested more than $700,000 to upgrade computers in each of the distance learning center classrooms, the High Risk Entry Facility, and the Polygraph Center. Additionally, NCTC purchased a Meggitt firearms training system for
both of its High Risk Entry Facilities plus a third for travel with the MTTs, giving access to this “indoor shooting range” to law enforcement professionals throughout its region.

NCTC now offers 70 single occupancy rooms for students attending training at its Fort Indiantown Gap campus. NCTC’s housing capacity increased when it recently completed a renovation of its two-story dormitory, otherwise known as the “Fox’s Den.” The Fox’s Den contains 20 single rooms, laundry facilities, and lounge.

NCTC training opportunities are expanding beyond the American borders. NCTC recently received a joint request from NATO Training Mission Afghanistan (NTMA), the American Association of Police Polygraphists (AAPP), and the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) to assist with counternarcotics efforts in Mexico and Central America by providing polygraph training to their law enforcement professionals.

COLLEGE CREDITS AND CONTINUING EDUCATION UNITS

NCTC sustains relationships with two institutes of higher education; Columbia Southern University and Lebanon Valley College.

POLYGRAPH TRAINING CENTER

The NCTC Polygraph Training Center provides American Polygraph Association (APA) accredited training in the field of forensic psychophysiology using polygraph techniques. It is also recognized by the American Association of Police Polygraphists, the National Polygraph Association, and the American Society for Testing and Measures.

HIGH-RISK ENTRY FACILITIES

Tactical as well as classroom instruction is conducted at the High-Risk Entry Facilities (HREF) at each campus. NCTC staff monitor, control, and record activities using state-of-the-art monitoring systems.

Motion sensors, trip wires, strobes, scents, smoke and fog, pop-up targets, animatronics, and shoot backs create a vastly realistic experience. Each HREF includes actual-seized vehicles that are used to train interdiction officers to detect hidden compartments, drugs, and other contraband during routine traffic stops.
What NCTC Graduates Are Saying …

“I can’t say enough about what I have learned from NCTC over the years and how it has changed the officer that I am today … the seized drug cache had a street value in excess of $100,000. Both subjects were determined to be in the country illegally. The United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement Administration (ICE) placed detainers on both individuals and both are lodged in lieu of bail.”

“The techniques and training helped me to recover additional guns off the streets of Chicago. One of the guns I recovered was a .22 cal. Ruger rifle with a tactical magazine fully loaded with live rounds.”