Welcome
Fires Center of Excellence
Fort Sill
Fort Sill: Past, Present, & Future

- Founded by MG Sheridan in 1869
- Many of the historic buildings built by the Buffalo Soldiers
- Field Artillery first arrived in 1902 and home of the Field Artillery since 1911

- Original home of the Infantry and Aviation
- USMC Artillery home since 1951
- Fort Sill is the only remaining active fort built during the Indian Wars
- Fires Center of Excellence since 2009
### The Mission of the Fires Center of Excellence and Fort Sill Oklahoma

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### The US Army Fires Center of Excellence and Fort Sill, OK

- **Directorate of Training and Doctrine**
- **Capabilities, Integration and Concepts Directorate**

- **The US Army Field Artillery School**
- **The US Army Air Defense Artillery School**
- **434th FA BDE**
- **The US Marine Corps Field Artillery Training Detachment**
- **US Army Garrison Fort Sill, OK**
- **MEDAC**
- **DENTAC**
- **75th FA BDE**
- **31st ADA BDE**

- **30th ADA BDE**
- **3-6 ADA**
- **1-30 FA**
- **1-78 FA**
- **2-2 FA**
- **2-6 ADA**
- **1-79 FA**
- **95th AG BN**
- **1-19 FA**
- **1-31 FA**
- **1-40 FA**
- **1-14 FA**
- **1-13 FA**
- **1-14 FA**
- **100th BSB**
- **2-4 FA**
- **2-18 FA**
- **2-13 FA**
- **2-20 FA**
- **3-2 ADA**
- **4-3 ADA**
- **5-5 ADA**
- **32nd AAMDC**
- **III Corps**

**Approximately 107K Soldiers, Civilians and Family Members call Fort Sill Home**
**Vision:** FCoE creates the world's premier Fires Force; ready to employ responsive cross domain fires to Win in a Complex World

**Designs**
- **The Future Fires Force**
  - Incorporate Fires into emerging Army and JIM concepts
  - Define Fires Capability & Personnel Requirements and oversee processes
  - Integrate Fires capabilities across DOTMLPF-P & WFFs

**Builds**
- ** Civilians into Soldiers & Soldiers into Leaders**
  - Receive and integrate
  - Infuse Army values and develop Soldiers & Leaders of Character
  - Provide Soldiers & Leaders who immediately contribute to the operational force

**Improves**
- **Fires Core Functions**
  - Synchronize & integrate Fires Doctrine, training, education and leader development
  - Grow agile and adaptive branch experts that are masters in Cross Domain Fires
  - Develop, enable & deliver individual and collective training and education support to the force

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**Endstate:** A ready Fires force, manned, equipped, trained and well-led to conduct joint missions, and employ cross domain fires that enable Unified Land Operations

**Priorities:**
- Initial Military Training
- Fires PME
- Fires Force Readiness
- Fires Modernization
- Fires Training & Leader Development
- Army Targeting
FCoE Strategic Plan Framework

What FCoE is Doing . . .

**Designs**
- Expand Cross Domain Fires
- Drive Multifunctional Fires Convergence
- Enhance Sensor-to-Shooter Linkages
- Leverage joint, inter-organizational, and multinational capabilities
- Fires Modernization Strategies
- Develop Innovative Concepts

- Fires Force Readiness
- Fires Modernization
- Army Targeting

**Builds**
- Soldier 2020
- Basic Combat Training
- Advanced Individual Training
- Warrant Officer Basic Course
- Basic Officer Leadership Course
- AMEDD-DCC
- Acquire Talent

- Initial Military Training
- Fires PME
- Fires Force Readiness
- Fires Training & Leader Development

**Improves**
- Fires Leader Development
- Professional Military Education
- Fires Training Strategies
- JIM Interoperability
- Doctrine Development
- Army Targeting
- FCoE Systems & Processes
- Operational Force Reach-back

- Fires PME
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- Army Targeting

**Where FCoE Does It . . .**

**Fort Sill Enterprise**
- Garrison Integration
- Optimize the Enterprise
- Engagement
- Plans & Operations

- Fires Force Readiness
- Fires Modernization
- Fires Training & Leader Development
Joint and Multinational Fires

- Joint and Multinational Forces Regularly Training Together (USMC, Air Force, Canada, Singapore, United Arab Emirates)

- Home of USMC FA - nearly 3,000 Officers, NCOs and initial entry personnel trained annually

- Joint Fires Observer (JFO) MTT training across DoD and Latvia (ROK, Germany soon); JFO resident course students from 4 countries; 18 total JFO MOA signatory nations

- Hosts 650 International Students from 52 countries and 17 allied liaison and exchange Officers from Germany, France, Japan, South Korea, Australia, Netherlands, Singapore, Canada, Italy and the United Kingdom. Joint Fire Support Executive Steering Committee accreditation visits to Hungary & NZ

- Annual Singapore LFX Daring Warrior; only place in the world Singapore fires HIMARS

- Over 75,000 Euro-NATO and USAF flights –Sheppard AFB, Texas; 2,368 CAS sorties for training last year

- UAE Patriot Training and Exercises; resident UAE Patriot System Repairer (94S) Course
• Third largest single site employer in the state of Oklahoma employing 12,831 combined Soldiers and Civilians (7,351 Soldiers and 5,480 Civilians-FY16 data)
• 434th FA BDE Basic Combat Training grows the force by 18,000 Soldiers a year
• Impacts the Oklahoma economy with $2.3 billion annually
Weather Impacts to Fort Sill

Flooding: Medicine Creek and East Cache Creek (normal water flow and increased flow from Lakes Lawtonka and Ellsworth Dam release). Low water crossings into and throughout the training areas make it difficult if not at times impossible to access the areas. Recent mitigation efforts have been to build bridges and mark stopping areas around these areas.

Drought: Effect to vegetation and trees in and around the training areas. High fuel loads coupled with daily weather increases our fire danger. We have range fires nearly every day of the year on average. With these effects we have to suspend the utilization of certain types of training munitions or use of certain weapon systems. This has an effect on our Joint and Multi-National training.

Heat: Normal effects anyone would encounter. Primary effect on our initial entry soldiers affecting their work/training – rest ratios.

Ice: Normal effects anyone would encounter. We have a transitory population that come from locations that do not normally deal with ice. This has caused us to close the installation to training and has affected the overall installation operations at least once a year for the last few years. The cost is lost training time and significant dollars every time this happens. Ice has in the past damaged or killed numerous trees in the training areas thus increasing our fire loads.
Thank You

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