

# CONNECTICUT WING

## Wing Members Met the Challenge in 2020

The Connecticut Wing maintains a strong commitment to performing Civil Air Patrol's emergency services, cadet program and aerospace education missions. The wing continues to partner with and actively support local, state and federal agencies in disaster relief and homeland security.

In 2020, the Connecticut Wing met the COVID-19 challenge and performed community support missions on the ground and in the air. Flights for the U.S. Air Force and U.S. Coast Guard and for state agencies, such as the

Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, and the National Guard included patrols and reconnaissance of the coastline, coastal waters, harbors, major rivers and other shoreline infrastructure. During the winter months, the wing assists the Coast Guard with ice jam air sorties. And last summer, the wing flew 72 sorties totaling 206.7 hours over the Long Island Sound.

To further strengthen the wing's ability to respond to emergencies, aircrews and supporting staff engaged in a yearlong

disaster relief and proficiency training program. For those efforts, CAP's Northeast Region honored the Connecticut Wing with its Disaster Relief Award.

The wing also performed an exercise with the U.S. Naval Submarine Base in Groton and entered into discussions with the Transportation Security Administration regarding a potential partnership.



A Connecticut Wing aircraft escorts a nuclear submarine out of Groton in the photo at left; at right, wing members work a COVID-19 food distribution mission.



# Connecticut Wing 2020 Statistics

## Volunteer Members

399 adult members  
350 cadets  
101 aircrew personnel  
454 emergency responders

## Squadrons

15 locations statewide

## Aircraft

9 single engine

## Vehicles

17 vehicles

## Interoperable Communications

8 VHF/FM repeaters  
68 VHF/FM stations  
22 HF stations

## Missions

3 disaster relief missions  
5 CAP, AFROTC and AFJROTC cadet orientation flight missions  
2 other Air Force support missions  
23 training missions  
3 other state support missions  
1 other mission in support of partner agencies and organizations or local municipalities

## Significant Events Supported in Fiscal Year 2020

Long Island Sound Patrol; Tropical Storm Isaias support; tornado support; Navy submarine escort

## COVID-19 Mission Support

Augmenting EOCs; distributing food and critical supplies; taking aerial photographs of testing sites across the state

## Cadet Flying

326 CAP, AFROTC and AFJROTC cadet orientation flights

## Total Hours Flown

1,274

## Financial

\$2,944,628 value of wing's volunteer hours

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## DID YOU KNOW?

- ✓ The Connecticut Legislature approved and Gov. Ned Lamont signed into law SB863, providing employment protection for CAP volunteers in the state should they be deployed.
- ✓ The wing participated in two COVID-19 missions – an aerial photography mission and also a ground mission that lasted for three months. The aerial photographs were presented to the governor.
- ✓ The wing participated in a joint trial exercise with the U.S. Naval Submarine Base in Groton, involving aerial escort of nuclear submarines in and out of the Long Island Sound.

