



**Civil Air Patrol**  
U.S. Air Force Auxiliary



# NEW JERSEY WING

## Wing Supports COVID-19 Missions

New Jersey Wing members jumped into action when the Garden State needed their help during the COVID-19 pandemic, carrying out what turned into the wing's most massive and most sustained response since World War II. In all, 370 members, including 90 cadets, participated over 138 days. That accounted for nearly 25% of the wing's total membership.

After the state Department of Human Services called on the wing for assistance, members volunteered at the Community Food Bank of New Jersey in Hillside and Egg Harbor Township. Typical food bank volunteers are at least

65, and most were staying home because of the pandemic. In their absence, 164 wing members devoted 893 volunteer hours to working at the two food banks. Some 1,741,984 meals were packed and distributed, representing about 12,000 pounds of food.

The wing also was tasked to assist the Burlington County Office of Emergency Management in helping local law enforcement and county emergency personnel with traffic and registration in the site's "Cold Zone" before entry into the COVID-19 testing area. That mission involved 44 members working 278 volunteer hours as the site

performed 5,600 COVID-19 testing procedures.

In addition, the state's Office of Emergency Management reached out for assistance to demobilize two medical stations established for COVID-19 patients. Members assisted the office and the Air National Guard with closing field medical stations in Edison and Atlantic City. Twenty-three members participated during the 67 workdays they were needed, packing away about 500 beds and associated equipment at each facility.



Members of the New Jersey Wing work at one of the Community Food Bank of New Jersey locations during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic.

# New Jersey Wing 2020 Statistics

## Volunteer Members

633 adult members  
771 cadets  
95 aircrew personnel  
883 emergency responders

## Squadrons

32 locations statewide

## Aircraft

6 single engine

## Vehicles

15 vehicles

## Interoperable Communications

6 VHF/FM repeaters  
50 VHF/FM stations  
23 HF stations

## Missions

5 search and rescue missions  
2 finds\*  
\* Includes finds credited with national team support  
6 disaster relief missions  
15 air defense intercept training and evaluation missions  
9 CAP, AFROTC and AFJROTC cadet orientation flight missions  
6 other Air Force support missions  
26 training missions  
1 other state support mission  
1 other mission in support of partner agencies and organizations or local municipalities

## Significant Events Supported in Fiscal Year 2020

U.S. Coast Guard Fertile Keynotes;  
Temporary Flight Restriction (TFR) outreach

## COVID-19 Mission Support

Augmenting EOCs; distributing food and critical supplies

## Cadet Flying

424 CAP, AFROTC and AFJROTC cadet orientation flights

## Total Hours Flown

792

## Financial

\$5,005,303 value of wing's volunteer hours

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## DID YOU KNOW?

- ✓ Two of the wing's teacher members were appointed to the New Jersey Governor's Public Use Airport Task Force — Shelley Ewalt and Michael Castania.
- ✓ Cadet teams from the McGuire, Raritan Valley and Bud Jackson composite squadrons consistently performed well at the state level in Robotics, CyberPatriot cyber defense and StellarXplorers STEM competitions during 2020.
- ✓ The wing's aerospace education program now has its own YouTube channel at <https://bit.ly/3npbNr5>, complete with cadet-created videos.

