

NEW YORK WING

Wing Supports Communities During Pandemic

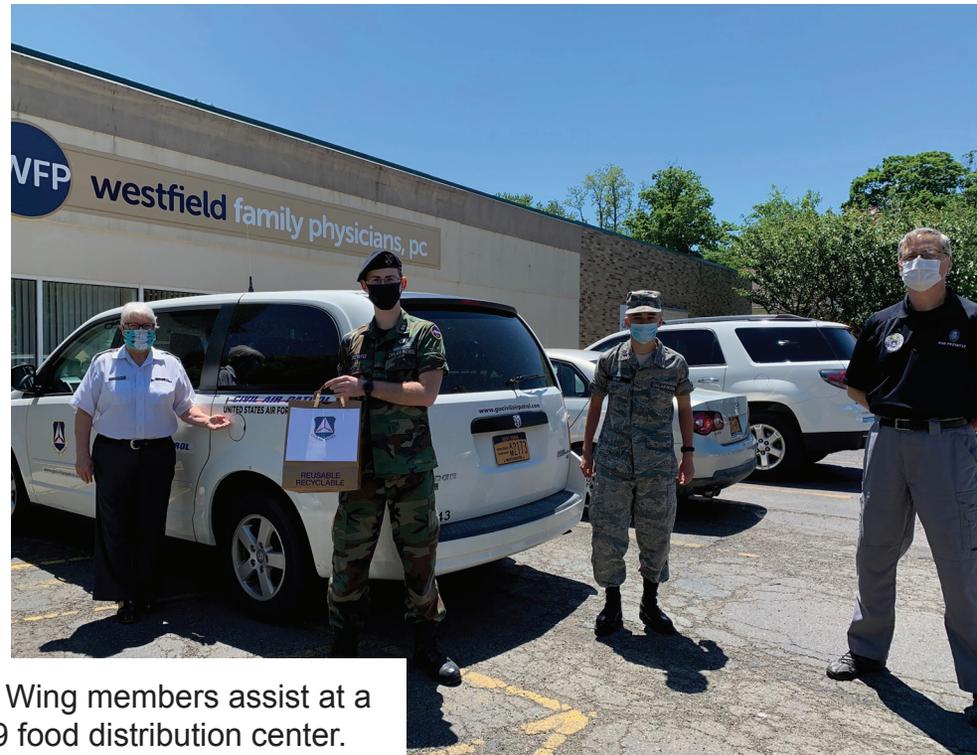
Like every Civil Air Patrol wing during 2020, the New York Wing dealt with the effects of COVID-19. The coronavirus had a significant impact on the state during the pandemic's initial months, with most of New York under mandatory stay-at-home orders. Wing members quickly adapted to a virtual environment, as groups and squadrons throughout the state held hundreds of online meetings and awards ceremonies and hosted a number of guest speakers.

The wing supported its communities and the state by assisting local charities and food banks by building and distributing food boxes. The wing also supported two drive-up COVID-19 testing sites and a drive-up flu shot clinic, along with a mask-making project that produced over 6,000 masks and involved over 6,300 volunteer hours.

The New York Wing once again placed a strong emphasis on flying. Despite COVID-19, wing aircrews logged more than 1,000 flying hours, more than 200 of which were devoted to cadet orientation flights. Other flying hours came from proficiency training, search and rescue missions and training exercises, engine preservation flights, homeland security tasks such as fighter intercept missions, and support to the Air National Guard.



New York Wing members assist at a COVID-19 food distribution center.



New York Wing 2020 Statistics

Volunteer Members

1,216 adult members
1,114 cadets
168 aircrew personnel
1,497 emergency responders

Squadrons

68 locations statewide

Aircraft

13 single engine

Vehicles

22 vehicles

Interoperable Communications

17 VHF/FM repeaters
236 VHF/FM stations
44 HF stations

Missions

1 search and rescue mission
1 disaster relief mission
10 CAP, AFROTC and AFJROTC
cadet orientation flight missions
7 other Air Force support missions
12 training missions
4 other state support missions
4 other missions in support of partner
agencies and organizations or local
municipalities

Significant Events Supported in Fiscal Year 2020

Syracuse RPA escort operations; 46th Test Squadron support for 3D expeditionary long-range radar tests

COVID-19 Mission Support

Distributing food and critical supplies; Distributing test kits and PPE

Cadet Flying

832 CAP, AFROTC and AFJROTC cadet orientation flights

Total Hours Flown

1,176

Financial

\$8,806,864 value of wing's volunteer hours

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DID YOU KNOW?

- ✓ New York Wing aircrews supported the Air National Guard's 174th Attack Wing MQ-9 Reaper operations by providing "eyes-on" escorts from Class C to military airspace.
- ✓ Hundreds of members assisted at 12 COVID-19 support positions throughout the state.
- ✓ The wing continues to advance aircrew and cadet flight training with three full-motion Redbird flight simulators.

