



Civil Air Patrol
U.S. Air Force Auxiliary

WISCONSIN WING

Wing Provides State Support During Pandemic

2020 marked a new level of service and commitment for the Wisconsin Wing. Though COVID-19 restrictions curtailed most of the wing's routine operations and likewise led to the cancellation of major events like the annual EAA AirVenture in Oshkosh, members nonetheless stepped up to provide unparalleled support to the Badger State as it battled the pandemic.

Early on, the wing filled a critical transportation shortfall within the state by delivering needed COVID-19 test kits to some of Wisconsin's most remote counties. The wing's members then moved on to provide direct support to the Wisconsin Elections Commission. Working hand-in-hand with the state National Guard, which coordinated logistical and manpower support, the wing delivered all the cleaning, sanitation, personal protective equipment and office supplies needed to safely manage all 2,661 polling locations.

Starting with delivery of critical supplies to 22 northern counties before the 7th Congressional District's special election in May, the wing continued deliveries

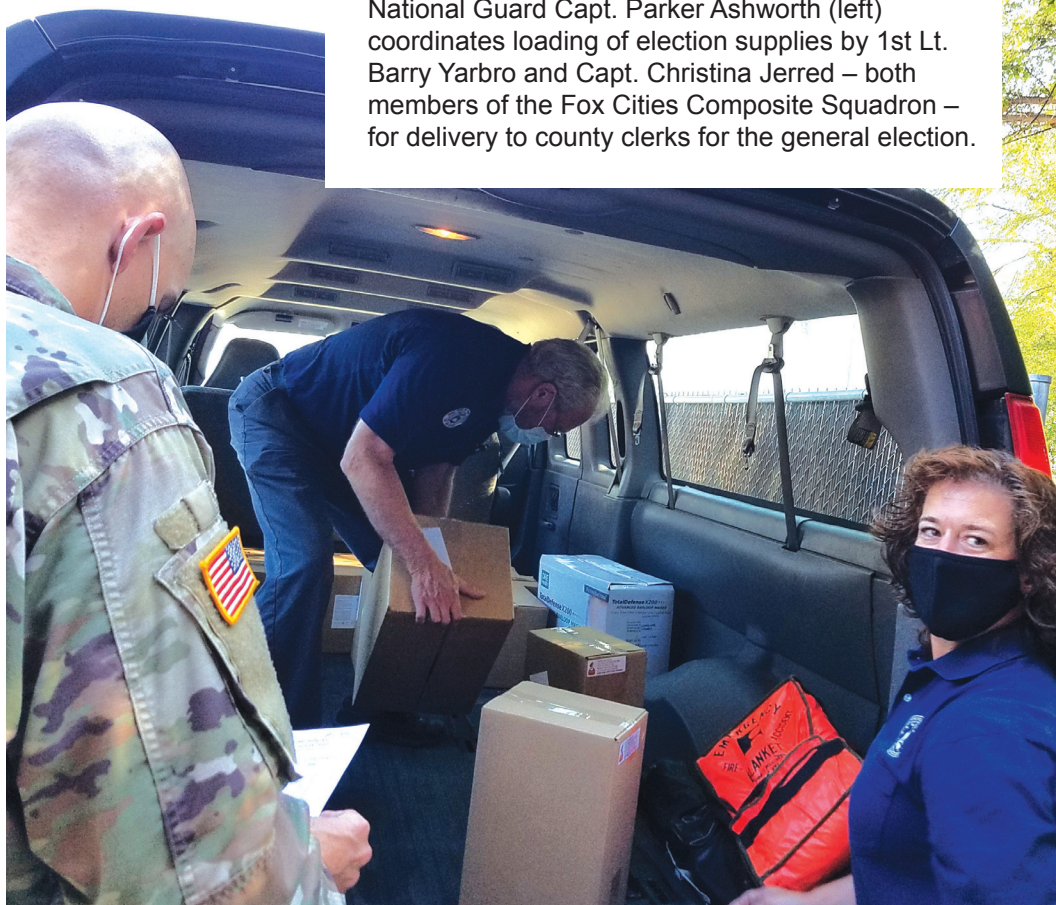
for both the August primary election as well as the November general election, moving supplies from Madison to all 72 county clerks, often making multiple trips per county for each election as the needed supplies arrived on irregular schedules.

Wing members made 240 individual deliveries totaling 6,252 cases of supplies, driving more than 68,000 miles and flying some 42 hours to complete deliveries to the most remote counties. In all, they devoted almost

6,400 hours to the effort — saving the state over a quarter of a million dollars in combined delivery costs and volunteer effort.

Meanwhile, members continued to materially support the safety and security of the state and nation, carrying out 12 search and rescue missions, two Lake Michigan shoreline erosion survey missions, a military training route survey and 18 air defense training missions.

National Guard Capt. Parker Ashworth (left) coordinates loading of election supplies by 1st Lt. Barry Yarbrow and Capt. Christina Jerred — both members of the Fox Cities Composite Squadron — for delivery to county clerks for the general election.



Wisconsin Wing 2020 Statistics

Volunteer Members

626 adult members
360 cadets
153 aircrew personnel
640 emergency responders

Squadrons

32 locations statewide

Aircraft

13 single engine

Vehicles

23 vehicles

Interoperable Communications

15 VHF/FM repeaters
191 VHF/FM stations
34 HF stations

Missions

12 search and rescue missions
2 lives saved*
12 finds*
* Includes lives saved and finds credited with national team support
1 disaster relief mission
18 air defense intercept training and evaluation missions
3 CAP, AFROTC and AFJROTC cadet orientation flight missions
4 other Air Force support missions
12 training missions
2 other state support missions

Significant Events Supported in Fiscal Year 2020

Fertile Keynotes; Volk Field low-level route survey; Great Lakes shoreline damage assessment

COVID-19 Mission Support

Distributing food and critical supplies; distributing test kits and PPE

Cadet Flying

177 CAP, AFROTC and AFJROTC cadet orientation flights

Total Hours Flown

1,732

Financial

\$16,900 in state funding
\$3,121,751 value of wing's volunteer hours

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DID YOU KNOW?

- ✓ Civil Air Patrol has provided on-site search and rescue and aircraft marshaling for EAA AirVenture in Oshkosh since 1986 through the National Blue Beret program.
- ✓ Wisconsin hosts one of three national CAP training sites, the National Education and Training Center at Whitman Field in Oshkosh, which has been in use since 1988.
- ✓ Volk Field Air National Guard Base provides valuable assistance to CAP, hosting more than 3,000 CAP members for training and education events over the last 10 years.

