



## Acquisition Directorate

# COAST GUARD COAST GUARD RECAPITALIZATION

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Coast Guard is investing approximately \$30 billion in major acquisition projects that will recapitalize its ships, boats, aircraft, and command and control systems. Recapitalizing legacy assets and systems is one of the Coast Guard's top priorities.

The Coast Guard's ability to secure our nation's maritime domain, save lives, interdict drug and alien smugglers, and protect ports, waterways and natural resources depends on providing its people with modern and reliable tools for mission execution. This includes cutters and boats; aircraft; command, control, communications, computers, intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance systems; and supporting shore infrastructure. The service's readiness has been challenged by reliance on outdated, rapidly aging assets, and costs to sustain these assets continue to rise while reliability declines.

The Acquisition Directorate's mission is to acquire and deliver more capable, interoperable assets and systems, and high-quality, timely services that support Coast Guard forces in executing missions effectively and efficiently. The directorate is the systems integrator for all acquisition projects, and is committed to delivering state-of-the-market platforms and systems that are affordable and meet mission requirements.

The Coast Guard's cutters, aircraft and command and control systems are on the front lines of a multilayered, multi-mission strategy. These new and upgraded assets feature interoperability with the departments of Homeland Security and Defense; improve law enforcement response and coordination with federal, state and local authorities; and are better equipped to guard critical maritime infrastructure and resources. These next-generation assets and systems will not just shape, but in large part will define, the Coast Guard's next 50 years of capability.



*"Recapitalization is vital to improve mission readiness by replacing aged, obsolete and unreliable assets. Investment in Coast Guard recapitalization is the service's top budget priority and is essential to mission execution."*

*—Adm. Robert J. Papp Jr.,  
Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard*

For updates on recapitalization, visit the directorate's website at <http://www.uscg.mil/acquisition/>.

Mission execution begins here.