

# Columbus Air Force Base

*A field of dreams and a vision for the future—that’s what Columbus area residents offered the United States of America in 1941. Banded together, a group of 100 citizens secured land and a \$100,000 bond, and proposed the establishment of an air base in Lowndes County.*

*On August 12, 1941, their dreams became reality when the United States announced it would establish a pilot training base in Columbus. That was just the beginning...*

*Columbus Air Force Base has, through the years, demonstrated its flexibility as a military facility. Its physical plant allows for easy adaptation to a changing world where the future has been, and continues to be, flying.*

*Columbus Air Force Base is a vital part of the East Mississippi and West Alabama communities, and these communities are an integral segment of CAFB. The community’s vision for CAFB continues to grow and will excel with your support.*



*“History of Columbus AFB: 1942-2007” book is available at the Neel-Schaffer Columbus office and at each meeting.*

## Why you should join...

Continue the strong tradition of community involvement and support which brought a base to Columbus and will keep it here in the future.

Hosts quarterly meetings to inform members.

Involves you in the Air Force community.

Opens the door to the informal exchange of ideas on a wide range of topics with senior Air Force leaders.

Provides the opportunity to build lasting friendships with people from all over the world.

Offers early information and invitations to special base and community events.

Improves understanding and appreciation of the region’s largest and most diverse employer, its services and its role in our nation’s defense.

Play a role in expanding local business relationships with the base and future missions.

Meet and support the incredible Airmen, government civilians and contractors who operate the base.

## The Council’s Objectives...



... Are achieved through meetings, projects and other activities. Meetings are held quarterly. Members can participate as much or as little as they want and retain the rights and privileges of membership.

*You make an impact for your community and country through your participation.*

**Join today!**

## Base Community Council Membership Application

New Membership       Renewal

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last, First, Middle Initial)

Spouse’s Name \_\_\_\_\_

Business Title/ Employer (If Applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (office or home) \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

### Membership:

Annual council dues are \$36 for an individual membership. Additional business or family members or representatives may be added for \$25 each. (Attach list please). Dues cover operating expenses and council projects.

Make checks payable to Base Community Council and enclose with application, mail to:

Base Community Council  
c/o Neel-Schaffer, Inc  
P.O. Box 2100  
Columbus, Mississippi 39704-2100

This is a private organization. It is not a part of the Department of Defense or any of its components and it has no governmental status.

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An invitation to share the pride...

*In supporting one of our nation's most outstanding defense installations in its mission of training the best pilots in the world for the United States Air Force.*

***www.columbus.af.mil***

The Base Community Council is...

Governed by a civilian board of directors and officers.

An action-oriented, multi-community organization that supports the common interest of the military and civilian communities through mutual understanding and joint participation in common activities.

Columbus Air Force Base...

Has a \$256 million annual economic impact on communities within its 50-mile radius.

Employs nearly 3,000 active duty, civilian and contract jobs.

Offers support services to over 60,000 veterans and their dependents within the region.

Trains nearly one-third of U.S. Air Force pilots along with pilots from 45 other countries, playing a vital role in our nation's defense.

When you join...

You join an organization that demonstrates the true strength of America. Members represent every occupation, race, political persuasion and background while sharing a common goal: *the bonding of the military and civilian communities surrounding the base.*

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