



FACT SHEET

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Eielson Air Force Base

The 354th Fighter Wing is the host unit at Eielson Air Force Base and is assigned to 11th Air Force, headquartered at Elmendorf Air Force Base near Anchorage. Eleventh Air Force falls under Pacific Air Forces, which is headquartered at Hickam Air Force Base, Hawaii.

The wing supports operations, maintenance, mission support, and medical group functions and is host to ten tenant units.

354th Operations Group

The 354th Operations Group directs operations, training, and standardization of F-16CG weapons systems providing realistic combat training. The group provides training and support for expeditionary combat employment of wing assigned assets across a full spectrum of aerospace operations. Functions as primary liaison between the FAA, Army, and Air Force on all airpower applications.

The 353rd Combat Training Squadron provides oversight and management of the largest air training complex in the world, the 67,000 square mile Pacific Alaska Range Complex. The unit also hosts RED FLAG-Alaska, a series of Pacific Air Forces commander-directed field training exercises for U.S. forces, providing joint offensive counter-air, interdiction, close air support, and large force employment training in a simulated combat environment.

The 354th Operations Support Squadron trains for and supports combat employment training for wing assigned F-16CG aircraft. Support includes airspace and flying hour programming, life support, operations training, weapons and tactics, intelligence, operations plans, and theater battle management systems. Responsible for local air traffic control, weather service, and airfield management.

The 18th Aggressor Squadron provides realistic, combat adversary training in air, space and information operations using enemy tactics, techniques, and procedures to give a realistic simulation of air combat. The unit provides aggressor training for Red Flag-Alaska.

The 3d Air Support Operations Squadron supports the 172d Stryker Brigade Combat Team (172 SBCT), four subordinate battalions, and a separate Airborne Task Force. Functions as the primary liaison between Army and Air Force on all tactical air power applications. Advises and assists ground commanders. Coordinates and controls close air support (CAS), theater airlift, and reconnaissance. Operates the airfield weather station and provides combat weather support.

354th Maintenance Group

The 354th Maintenance Group provides aircraft and munitions maintenance support to the 354th Fighter Wing's F-16 aircraft as well as Red Flag-Alaska, transient and special mission aircraft operating at Eielson AFB. Aircraft maintenance in Alaskan temperatures ranging from 90 degrees in the summer to -60 degrees in the winter can be demanding, but no matter what conditions prevail in this beautiful land of extremes the men and women of the Maintenance Group "keep 'em flying." The 354th Maintenance Group staff includes command, quality assurance, information management, engineering technical services and weapons training functions. In addition, three squadrons are assigned under the group:

The 354th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron provides aircraft sortie production and weapons loading support for the Wing's F-16 aircraft. In addition to a command staff, the Aircraft Maintenance Squadron has an 18th Aircraft Maintenance Unit aligned with the 18th Aggressor Squadron's F-16 aircraft. The Aircraft Maintenance Unit is comprised of aircraft crew chiefs, system specialists, weapons loaders, maintenance schedulers, support personnel and production leaders who are tasked to generate aerospace power.

The 354th Maintenance Squadron provides heavy aircraft maintenance and munitions support for the Wing's F-16 aircraft. In addition, the squadron provides aircraft maintenance and munitions support to Red Flag-Alaska, transient and special mission aircraft operating at Eielson AFB. In this squadron are the command staff, avionics, propulsion, accessory maintenance, armament, fabrication, aerospace ground equipment, munitions maintenance and support personnel who are also tasked to deploy and support aerospace power anytime and anywhere.

The 354th Maintenance Operations Squadron is responsible for all 354th Maintenance Group maintenance training, aircraft engine data management, maintenance operations as well as maintenance plans and programs. The squadron also provides administrative support for the group staff functions and is also tasked to deploy and support aerospace power anytime and anywhere.

354th Mission Support Group

The 354th Mission Support Group supports the 354th Fighter Wing by providing combat-ready forces, equipment, and essential services while sustaining base infrastructure and providing programs to improve quality of life for the Eielson community. From family services to construction and security, the 354th Mission Support Group keeps the physical installation and its personnel performing at peak efficiency, despite the challenging arctic weather conditions presented by interior Alaska. The group also provides a comfortable home for Eielson's associate units.

Eielson operates much like any town and boasts a population of nearly 7,000 people. A big part of the 354th mission is to provide all the services and facilities necessary to make Eielson safe, comfortable, and pleasant for the Iceman Team.

Skilled craftsmen operate a coal-fired heat and power plant, water plant and wastewater treatment facility, making this installation entirely self-sufficient. Security Forces and Fire Department personnel provide a safe environment for our families.

The 354th Mission Support Group manages and maintains over 1,500 military housing units and over 400 dormitory rooms. Other activities such as the dining facility, fitness center, library, skills centers, child development center and clubs are vital to the health and morale of everyone who calls Eielson "home."

Logistics Readiness packs, crates, and ships aircraft parts, household goods, freight, and personal automobiles. It manages and maintains the entire base vehicle fleet, including the repair and upkeep of mission essential snow removal equipment. Additionally, it provides all transportation support to Clear Air Force Station, to Red Flag-Alaska personnel, and to the Arctic Survival School. Logistics Readiness also provides fuel, supplies and mobility support to accomplish mission requirements. In addition, manages the war reserve/mobility readiness spares packages and base mobility bags, issues cold weather clothing to all military personnel, and provides aircraft equipment/spares for Red Flag-Alaska exercises.

Contracting leads market research; provides business advice and acquisition planning for solicitation, executes award, and performs contract administration; and ensures performance management for all installation acquisition requirements relating to the alteration, repair and maintenance to existing facilities, architect-engineering design requirements, and brand new construction.

The squadrons assigned to the 354th Mission Support Group include the 354th Civil Engineer Squadron, 354th Communications Squadron, 354th Contracting Squadron, 354th Logistics Readiness Squadron, 354th Mission Support Squadron, 354th Security Forces Squadron, and 354th Services Squadron.

354th Medical Group

The 354th Medical Group provides outpatient managed healthcare for all active-duty military members and TRICARE eligible beneficiaries living in the Eielson area. In addition, its dental clinic provides care for all active-duty military members.

The medical clinic operates two primary care panels; one staffed by the primary care clinic and the other by the flight surgeons office. In addition, specialty clinics are available for pediatrics, optometry, physical therapy, immunizations, and life skills support. Pharmacy, laboratory and x-ray services are located in the clinic.

Bassett Army Community Hospital (BACH) on Fort Wainwright serves as the Eielson clinic's referral source for some specialty and inpatient care. Fairbanks Memorial Hospital, located twenty miles north of Eielson AFB, is a Level-II trauma center and is utilized as a local referral source for procedures beyond our scope of care. Other specialty services are available by referral to the 3d Medical Group at Elmendorf AFB in Anchorage AK, Madigan Army Medical Center at Fort Lewis, Wash, or civilian care in the Anchorage area as needed.

Dental services available for active-duty members include the full spectrum of general dentistry care, including endodontics, oral surgery, periodontics, and prosthetics. The dental staff also provides educational services to base schools and assists other organizations with dental disease prevention programs. Dental care for dependents is provided through the United Concordia Dental Plan.

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