Military Community Partnership Programs & The Intergovernmental Support Agreement Authority (IGSA)

Installation-community partnerships have become a key element of the military services' overall installation management strategy over the past decade. The origin of this development can be traced back to the creation of the Intergovernmental Support Agreement (IGSA) authority. Established by NDAA legislation in 2013, the IGSA has become perhaps the most important tool for building stronger military-community ties.

Each of the military services has now designated installation-community partnership offices responsible for managing and implementing partnerships using a wide range of authorities, including the IGSA authority. With over 200 current IGSAs now in place across the country, this authority and the military offices responsible for their implementation have become critical to institutionalizing a partnership mindset with community and installation leaders.

The IGSA authority and the military-community partnerships are key to the readiness of installations and defense communities. The offices below are responsible for building these partnerships and ensuring that they have the resources they need to conduct their missions, making them a central part of ADC's policy agenda.

Click here for a full list of current IGSA agreements

ARMY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Managed by the Office of the Army Deputy Chief of Staff, G-9 (Installations), the Army Community Partnership Office is committed to building strong relationships with our local public partners to coordinate efforts and resources to achieve effective partnerships that result in shared solutions. The Army Community Partnership Office utilizes multiple partnership authorities to include enhanced use lease, memoranda of agreement, memoranda of understanding, mutual aid agreements, and IGSAs.

Currently the Army has over 185 IGSAs generating over $105 million in annual savings for the Army, as well as a one-time cost avoidance of $55 million. These public partnerships create a win-win by directly supporting our installations' needs while simultaneously generating benefits for our public partners, ultimately strengthening the relationship between both communities.

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AIR FORCE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND MISSION SUSTAINMENT

Located within the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Installations), the Department of the Air Force Community Partnership (DAFCP) and Mission Sustainment Programs (MSP) support the goal of reducing risk to mission readiness at Air Force installations by engaging with defense communities. Launched in 2013, DAFCP has leveraged a variety of tools and authorities to develop more than 1,000 initiatives and sign more than 600 agreements across more than 85 Air Force installations and organizations, including 35 executed IGSAs and more than 15 in development. These signed agreements represent over $206 million in financial and intangible benefits, strengthening relationships and fostering relationships between installations and their communities.

Additionally, the Mission Sustainment Program relies on communities as critical mission partners. By establishing installation mission sustainment teams and mitigation response teams that engage with defense communities, the MSP preserves and protects Air Force installations, assets, and operating areas by identifying, assessing, mitigating, and preventing risk to mission capability.

Click here for more information on the Air Force Community Partnership Program

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

The office of the assistant secretary of the Navy for energy, installations and environment prioritizes partnerships with defense communities outside the 96 Navy and Marine Corps installations worldwide. Key components of this effort include engagements with communities and policy and oversight of Navy and Marine Corps IGSAs. To date, the Navy and Marine Corps combined have 75 IGSAs and continue to develop and execute new IGSAs with community partners.