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San Antonio's Community-Military Partnerships

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Military Impact in San Antonio

San Antonio is a large metro area with a diverse economy:

- 7th largest city in US
- 1.4 million population
- Strong healthcare, financial services, logistics, telecommunications, and automotive manufacturing sectors

Military impact:

- \$5.2 billion economic impact in 2006
- Department of Defense employs over 89,000 employees with an annual payroll of \$2.7 billion
- One in every four citizens is a military healthcare beneficiary



BRAC in San Antonio

1993:

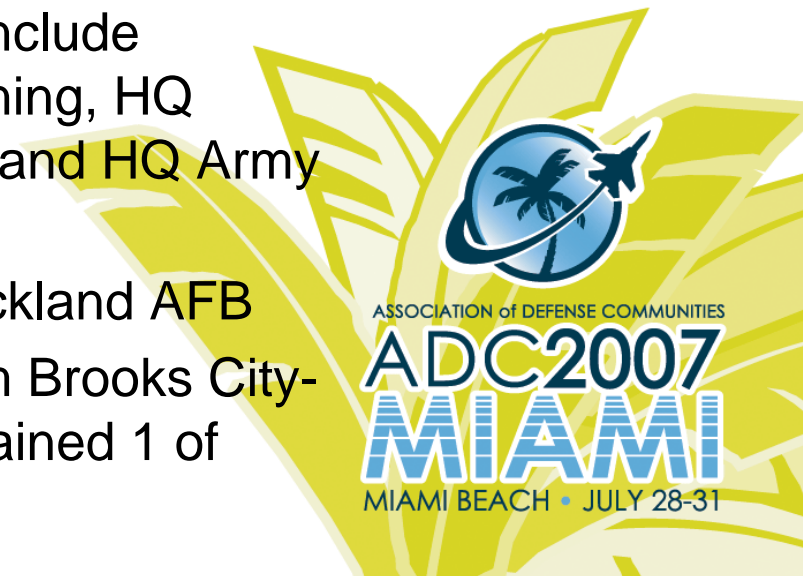
- Loss of Air Force Military Personnel Center- Randolph AFB
- Loss of Computer Service Center

1995:

- Closure of Kelly Air Force Base
- Retained Brooks Air Force Base

2005:

- Expansion of Fort Sam Houston to include consolidation of military medical training, HQ Installation Management Command and HQ Army Contracting Agency
- Retained Cryptology missions at Lackland AFB
- Departure of Air Force missions from Brooks City-Base (formerly Brooks AFB), but retained 1 of every 3 Air Force jobs in community



2005 BRAC Impacts

Economic Impact:

2005 BRAC

- \$2.1 billion investment
- 11,200 jobs
- \$14.26 million in City bond package for infrastructure improvements near Ft. Sam plus \$34.3 million in state transportation projects

Toyota Motor Manufacturing

- \$1.2 billion investment
- 2,000 jobs
- \$70 million in public infrastructure plus other incentives

Challenges and Opportunities:

- Retention of missions
- Air capacity issues
- Encroachment



Community-Military Cooperation

San Antonio Military Missions Task Force:

- Advocacy for San Antonio missions during 2005 BRAC process

Military Transformation Task Force:

- Single integrated voice at highest levels of city, county and private sector leadership
- Committees established to work through various issues

Long-term cooperation:

- Established community- military relationships and communications channels
- Successfully implemented 1993 and 1995 BRAC recommendations
- Enables proactive handling of 2005 BRAC issues





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