



181ST INTELLIGENCE WING



Fact Sheet

The 181st Intelligence Wing (IW) is one of the leading intelligence organizations in the Air National Guard. Located at Hulman Field Air National Guard Base in Terre Haute, Indiana, the 181st IW supports contingencies around the world while ensuring readiness to support our local community and the great State of Indiana.

The Wing's moniker, the 'Racers,' owes its origin to the long and storied association between the Wing and the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Anton Hulman, Jr., then the track's benefactor, played a key role in bringing the Indiana Air National Guard to Terre Haute.

The mission of the 181st IW is to provide operationally ready, deliberately developed, and expertly led Airmen to support our communities, state and nation. This mission is met by focusing on the 181st IW's top three goals: Executing the Mission; Developing and Recognizing our Airmen; and Community Engagement by Building Relationships.

The vision of the 181st IW is to be the first choice, providing innovative Airmen operating in multiple domains as the proven and enduring choice supporting our communities, state and nation. The 181st IW provides globally integrated Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR), special warfare, agile combat support and domestic response. Racers make a difference world-wide!

The 181st IW's primary mission is ISR. The Wing is composed of the following elements: 181st ISR Group (ISRG), 181st Mission Support Group (MSG), 181st Medical Group (MDG), as well as the 113th Air Support Operations Squadron (ASOS) and the 113th Weather Flight (WF). Also, a multitude of support staff consisting of a comptroller flight, judge advocates, chaplains and other executive functions provide a prudent fiscal, legal and administrative foundation for the Wing's activities.

The 181st ISRG provides full-spectrum ISR capabilities to coalition, joint and Air Force warfighters and national decision makers. This mission is a total force concept involving Active Duty, Guard, Reserve, and civilians; all of these forces contribute to the Air Force Distributed Ground Station (DGS) mission. This group also has the ability and skillset to provide incident assessment and awareness during times of disaster to our local and state leaders.

The 181st IW is a leader in innovation and leveraging technology. In partnership with the Civil Air Patrol, the 181st IW developed an Indiana Incident Awareness and Assessment team to conduct aerial assessments of disaster areas and provide information to agency leaders in order to save lives, reduce human suffering and protect property. Airmen are trained and equipped to help stabilize and improve the situation in the wake of a natural disaster through the mission sets and capabilities of the 181st IW.

The 181st MSG ensures overall base functionality, including facility and real-property management, multi-spectrum network support, human resource administration, materiel management, transportation and overall base security. This group consists of a civil engineer squadron, a communications flight, a force support squadron, a logistics readiness flight and a security forces squadron. The 181st MSG has the ability to rapidly respond during times of disaster using a vast array of trained Airmen and equipment such as the Fatality Search and Recovery Team (FSRT) and the Joint Incident Site Communications Capability (JISCC).

The 181st MDG provides a variety of highly skilled medical professionals including doctors, nurses and laboratory technicians to ensure all members of the Wing are medically qualified to perform their duties at home and abroad. An important element to the 181st MDG's mission is the Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and High Yield Explosive Enhanced Response Force Package (CERF-P) medical element, which acts as the first line of triage to victims during natural or manmade disasters.

The 113th ASOS consists of battlefield Airmen and staff who deploy with joint forces troops to forward locations and provide information regarding air support assets to forward deployed commanders. The Tactical Air Control Party (TACP) Airmen face rigorous mental and physical training to maintain the highest level of readiness. These TACPs remain ready to respond in times of need to the local community, the State of Indiana or our nation in a wartime environment.

The 113th WF analyzes and forecasts atmospheric weather for military decision makers. Weather personnel work in a fast-paced, computer-intensive environment and travel around the world to support Air Force and Army operations. They also have an in-depth understanding of the Earth's atmosphere and know how to predict changes using satellite, radar and computer models.

As noted, disaster response is a strategic core capability of the 181st IW. The National Guard is part of a comprehensive (national and state) response package to manage manmade or natural disasters. The 181st IW is capable of responding rapidly in support of civilian authorities to save lives, conduct search and rescue, preserve or restore civil order, protect property, maintain or re-establish communications and provide countless other capabilities.

The members of the 181st IW are an important part of the community. 181st IW Airmen live in 18 states and in 57 of 92 Indiana counties. Members work in and are dedicated to supporting the surrounding community, and inject approximately \$72 million into the local economy. Wing members have also volunteered thousands of man hours to the community, positively affecting approximately 214,000 residents in the local area.

Since its arrival in Terre Haute in 1954 as the 113th Fighter-Bomber Squadron, the 181st IW has supported nearly every major conflict in American history, including the Cuban Missile Crisis and Operations Desert Storm, Joint Forge, Noble Eagle, Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom and New Dawn. Since 2008, when the Wing transitioned to an intelligence mission, Airmen from the Wing find themselves supporting the warfighter on an almost daily basis.

From being the proven choice for delivering actionable intelligence to the warfighter, to being the first choice for domestic emergency response, the 181st IW stands ready at a moment's notice when our community, state or nation calls us to action.

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