



Ohio Adjutant General's Department

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U.S. Air Force celebrates its 72nd birthday

The U.S. Air Force will turn the page on another outstanding year of service to the country, as it celebrates its 72nd birthday on September 18.

The Air National Guard shares the birthday because it was also established on the same day in 1947 as a separate reserve component of the Air Force.

Our Ohio Air National Guard's four wings can trace their heritage to historic units, some dating back to World War I. The more than 5,000 Airmen and civilians at the wings and six geographically separated units across the state are hard at work around the clock as an indispensable element of the warfight.

More than seven decades of service is something to be proud of, but we also celebrate the talents and innovative problem-solving of today's Airmen in building the future force needed to defend our state and nation from evolving security threats.

Happy birthday, U.S. Air Force!

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