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Parker, who currently resides in Delaware County, said joining the Army was something he wanted to do since he was young. When he got to college, he decided to follow his passion and join the Ohio National Guard. "I've always felt a call to serve and I've been happy with my decision ever since. I have found a great sense of purpose and camaraderie in the National Guard that I was lacking at my school." Parker is currently a student at The Ohio State University, studying civil engineering. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Parker is providing food packaging and distribution support to the Mid-Ohio Foodbank in Grove City, Ohio. He said the most rewarding part of his the mission has been seeing the good they are accomplishing for those most affected by the pandemic. "I've been able to meet and talk with the people who are receiving aid from the food bank. The people we meet are always friendly, patient and appreciative. With the COVID pandemic, and with much of the country uncertain of the future, these people have shown we can still remain positive and maintain faith in our fellow Americans to pull through any hardship."

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Ohio National Guard Soldiers and Airmen are members of your community. They are local students, teachers, law enforcement, retail workers, business owners, your co-workers, family, friends and neighbors. When the Ohio National Guard responds to an emergency or natural disaster, it's Ohioans serving Ohioans right in their own communities. In this series, meet some of the front-line heroes serving during the current COVID-19 relief efforts, as well as a few of our members who've supported past humanitarian missions.