



Kentucky Commission on Military Affairs Membership Meeting

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• Installation updates

- U.S. Army Recruiting Command mission expanding
 - USAREC to become a 3-star command
 - A 2-star subordinate command – U.S. Army Enlisted Recruiting Division – will also stand up on Fort Knox
- Digital Air-Ground Integration Range opened in May
 - Realized 79 range utilization days in just its first 7 months
 - Anticipate 200+ annual range utilization days in future
- New Van Voorhis Elementary School opened in August
 - \$60 million facility that utilizes a “neighborhoods” concept of learning
 - Houses 510 pre-K to 5th grade military children
- Construction of Child Development Center soon underway
 - Contract awarded in fall
 - Scheduled opening: Summer 2027

• Support requested

- More available & quality housing commensurate with service members' Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH)
- CUP implementation measures that protect military missions

• Thank you

- Progress in reducing tax burden on military families & retirees
- Continued efforts toward expanding compacts, professional licensing opportunities & reducing military spouse underemployment & unemployment

