



MAKING THE DIFFERENCE

Today's airmen live in a world shocked by the terrorist bombings of Sept. 11, 2001 — a day that changed America forever. With “overseas deployments” jumping to the top of the list of common household terms, it's even more important than ever that Air Force members be physically prepared.

Although the Air Force has airmen in more than 380 career fields stationed around the world, no one person in any specialty code can afford to take it easy. Cooks, administrative support people, truck drivers, security policemen, electricians, maintainers and all the others who make up a diversified force must be physically ready to do their jobs and defend their units as necessary to accomplish the mission.

There's no substitute for being physically fit and ready. It doesn't matter whether you're active duty, in the Guard or part of a Reserve unit. All members are part of the mission in places such as Southwest Asia; they're all relied upon to support that mission. And no matter the ranks, they're airmen with a common goal.

As Gen. John P. Jumper said about the new physical fitness program: “This is about our preparedness to deploy and fight. It's about warriors.”