



COMMANDER'S CALL TOPICS

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1-5 May 2017

Priority Topic of the Week

**Public Service
Recognition Week**
7-13 May 2017

Our Civilian Airmen are grounded in our Core Values, superbly trained and equipped to execute our five core missions—they are an indispensable part of the Total Force team delivering airpower now and into the future.

- Public Service Recognition Week (PSRW) was established to recognize the men and women who support local, state and federal government agencies. The Air Force celebrates the contributions our civilian Airmen make to the nation's defense every day and especially during this week.
- Civilian Airmen are wingmen, leaders and warriors with values as high as those who wear the uniform.
- Air Force decision-making and operational capabilities are enhanced by our diversity. With 180,000 Civilian Airmen, we are agile, innovative and effective because of our differing backgrounds, experiences and competencies.
- Civilian Airmen are critical members of our home station teams. They are the institutional memory for a force frequently deploying or changing permanent duty stations. They are a cornerstone of global reach, vigilance and power.
- Not only do our civilians hold down the base while military members are deployed—the Air Force currently has approximately 120 Air Force civilians deployed in a variety of locations, contributing to operations with their active duty, Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve counterparts.
- Innovation is in our culture, in our heritage and in every Airman regardless of their component.

"Hack the Air Force"

- Do you have what it takes to 'Hack the Air Force'? ([AF.MIL](#))

Air Force 70th Birthday

- Ten videos will be released for the Air Force's 70th Birthday series, "Breaking Barriers." Each video highlights a significant milestone in our history with ties to the great things our Airmen are doing today.
- View the first video on breaking the sound barrier" ([DVIDS](#))

Topics of Interest

- Changes to pregnancy separation policy for female Airmen ([AF.mil](#))
- AF releases implementation plans for latest diversity, inclusion initiatives, inclusion initiatives ([AF.MIL](#))
- Air Force senior enlisted leaders conduct full EPME review ([AF.MIL](#))
- Do you have uniform suggestions? ([AF.mil](#))

May Observances

- Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month Talking Points ([SAF/PA](#))

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Submissions should include:

- 1) 1-2 sentence synopsis of the issue
- 2) hyperlink to further details
- 3) a POC name and contact information.

***Only submissions that pertain to the majority of Airmen or specifically to command leadership teams will be considered. Local or limited-interest items will not be included.**