



GROWING NORTH CAROLINA'S DEFENSE & HOMELAND SECURITY ECONOMY

THE N.C. MILITARY FOUNDATION

The N.C. Military Foundation is led by some of the nation's most distinguished military retirees and the state's preeminent corporate citizens. The expertise and creative thinking of its board allows the Foundation to maintain meaningful relationships with key decision-makers to the benefit of the state.

FOCUSED

Growing North Carolina's defense and homeland-security economy is the Foundation's sole focus. In 2006, when the Foundation was launched, military installations and defense-related industry had an \$18 billion impact on N.C.'s economy. Today, that figure is closer to \$24 billion and growing.

INNOVATIVE

The Foundation's **Defense Asset Inventory and Target Industry Cluster Analysis** pinpoints where the state's core strengths in industry, academia and R&D coincide with the emerging needs of the military. This strategy — actionable by industry and economic developers across the state — promotes innovation clusters for six target markets where North Carolina can best compete: C4ISR (Command, Control, Communications, Computers, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance); Fuel and Power Sources; Human Factors; Performance Materials; RESET Support Activities; and Unmanned Systems. Go to www.ncmilitary.org for details on each market.

INDEPENDENT

The Foundation is a statewide, non-partisan, nonprofit economic-development group. It is funded solely by its corporate members. All board members serve voluntarily.

"The state is coming into its own in terms of growing its defense industry. Thanks in large part to the N.C. Military Foundation's expertise and early focus, we are well-positioned to seize on opportunities presented by emerging military needs."

— Secretary Keith Crisco,
N.C. Department of Commerce

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