

Division offers 'twice the citizen'

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Thinking of becoming a member of the 100th Division (Institutional Training)?

It may be easier than you thought. The ways in which citizens become soldiers have evolved considerably since the 100th Division first came into being in 1918 for service in the first World War.

For much of its early history, joining the 100th Division was not always a matter of choice. A young man was called by the draft to serve the needs of his country in time of war.

But since the end of the draft and the inception of the all-volunteer Army, joining the 100th Division has become a matter of choice.

Today, the 100th Division is made up of more than 3,000 soldiers in eight major subordinate commands with 44 units throughout Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Alabama.

While patriotism and service-to-country have always motivated young men and women to join the various branches of military service, more and more incentives are being offered to attract them to join the U.S. Army Reserve.

Incentives such as cash enlistment bonuses, money for college and student loan repayment, plus benefits that include a good part-time income with retirement, low-cost life insurance, Post Exchange and commissary privileges and space available air travel within the continental United States.

Members of the 100th Division can also make use of the morale, welfare and recreation facilities on Army installations as well as in exciting locations like Honolulu, or and Orlando, Fla.



1st BRIGADE PHOTO

Members of the 1st Brigade spent time at schools talking about the Army Reserve with students. The effort paid off: in 2000, the brigade recruited 187 new members.

The opportunities in the 100th Division are open to both non-prior service individuals and those who have had prior service in any branch of the armed forces; learning about those opportunities is easier than it's ever been.

While the Army Reserve utilizes recruiters to contact and enlist prospects into its units, it also uses television and radio advertising, direct mail programs and the Internet to tell its story, generate interest and to provide information about its programs and benefits.

Logging on to www.goarmyreserve.com provides a wealth of information to anyone thinking of joining the Army Reserve.

Click on Job Bank to find out about vacancies near where you live, or find a recruiter. You can also access information about benefits and even follow two new enlistees as they go through Basic Combat Training at Fort Jackson, S.C. There is even a chat room where you can ask recruiters about opportunities in the Army Reserve

without feeling pressured to sign an enlistment contract.

For the individual with prior military service who may still be in the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) and considering an active role in the Army Reserve, information about finding a Troop Program Unit vacancy can be found on the Army Reserve Personnel Command web site at www.2xcitizen.usar.army.mil.

Whether you are considering the Army Reserve for the first time, or have served previously and are looking for a challenging part-time opportunity the training, educational opportunities and financial rewards are better than ever before.

Here are some of the offers currently available to those joining the Army Reserve:

■ **Training.** The Army Reserve guarantees, in writing, training in a particular skill before enlistment.

■ **Standard Training Program.**

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