

## You Belong...

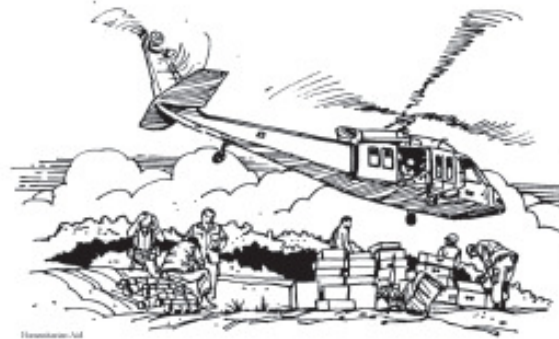
You know about the regular military. You know about the National Guard and Reserve. You may not know about the South Carolina State Guard. We've been serving our state and nation for the last 300 years. From our roots in the First Provisional Militia formed at the founding of Charles Towne on Albemarle Point in 1670, through the organization of the First South Carolina Regiment organized in 1775, through the War between the States and two World Wars, your State Guard was there.

Now, the need for the State Guard is strong again.



## What is our mission?

To organize, develop, train and maintain a resourced volunteer force within the South Carolina Military Department. To provide assistance to people of the State, especially during time of emergencies. And to perform other missions as assigned by the Adjutant General and the Governor of South Carolina.



## Three of our key operations are to:

- Provide internal security for emergency operations centers
- Provide disaster relief
- Search and rescue

## Who can join?

South Carolina citizens of all races, religions and genders between the ages of 17 and 70.



## Where would I serve?

State Guard units are located in the National Guard Armories throughout the state. And unlike the National Guard and Reserve Units, you would never be asked to serve outside of the state.

## What are the time commitments?

Like everything else, you get out of the Guard what you put into it. The minimum requirements are to drill one Saturday per month.

## Are there any opportunities to receive training?

In addition to the basic military training, courses are offered in a variety of areas. The State Guard is great way to develop marketable skills that you might not be able to get anywhere else.

