

9 FORCE SUPPORT SQUADRON



MISSION

The 9 Force Support Squadron is one of five squadrons assigned to the 9 Mission Support Group. The 9 FSS is the most widely diverse organization at Beale, providing more than 30 different activities to military and family members as well as authorized civilian customers. Squadron activities generate over \$8 million annually in non-appropriated funds. The unit manages food services, lodging, personnel and manpower, recreational support, family services, youth programs, professional development and education. The squadron is also an integral part of the Intelligence, Reconnaissance and Surveillance mission with 106 members on deployment teams. The 9 FSS evolved from the Air Force-directed mergers of Beale's Mission Support and Services Squadrons. The merger concentrated the base's primary customer support and service functions under one command.

The Airman and Family Services Flight provides active duty members, retirees, Department of Defense civilians and their families a wide range of services: relocation, information and referral assistance; Air Force Aid; financial guidance; spouse employment, military transitions; and Family and Life skills. The flight provides support programs for families when the sponsor is deployed. This flight is also responsible for our Child Development Center and Youth Center, providing child development services and recreation opportunities to the families of Beale AFB.

The Community Support Flight provides affordable, adaptable, customer-focused and community driven programs. Additionally, the flight provides leisure-time facilities and equipment to meet the social and recreational needs of the Beale community. Leisure-time facilities include the Community Center, Outdoor Adventure Center, Bowling Center, Recce Point Golf Course, Auto Hobby and Arts and Crafts Center, 2-Swimming Pools, Paintball, Rod and Gun Club, Aero Club, and FAMCAMP.

The Force Development Flight offers a variety of professional development, educational services and support to Team Beale members. The flight has a broad academic offering for enlisted, officers, civilians and their dependents in furthering their education. Additionally, the flight provides professional military education through the First Term Airman's Center for Airmen arriving at Beale as their first duty station. The Airman Leadership School prepares our Airmen as they transition into the ranks of non-commissioned officers. Our Career Assistance Advisor is available to guide Airmen in choosing career paths and offers continuing professional education classes to further their knowledge, skills and abilities. The Hub Zemke Library supports the community by providing education, reference and reading materials for all ages.

The Manpower and Personnel Flight consists of military and civilian personnel administration along with manpower. The Military Personnel Section manages all personnel issues pertaining to active-duty, reserve and retired members and dependents. Included in this area of responsibility are: assignments, promotions, deployment processing, reenlistments, separations, casualty assistance and military benefits. The Civilian Personnel Office provides guidance and assistance to commanders and supervisors on federal personnel rules, regulations and procedures for appropriated fund employees. The Human Resource Office provides like services for non-appropriated fund employees on Beale AFB. Our Manpower and Organization office is dedicated to supplying innovative management services to help the wing manage its manpower resources.

The Sustainment Services Flight provides lodging for temporary duty and transient personnel, leisure and social events and operates dining facilities for the enlisted and temporary duty personnel. The Contrails Dining Facility provides hot, nutritious food service to over 54K personnel annually in support of the Air Force mission. We also provide high quality "meals to go" for maintenance crews, pilots, operational personnel and support staff. The Recce Point Club offers fine dining, social programs and hosts professional and private events. The Ramonda Grill offers hot, nutritious meals near the flight line providing an invaluable service with close proximity. We have also been selected to participate in the Air Force Food Transformation Initiative which will increase our ability to provide healthy and nutritious meals while maximizing the taxpayer dollars. The Gold Country Inn annually accommodates more than 10,000 guests staying 110,983 bed-nights in 203 units throughout 16 buildings. Included in the Sustainment flight is the Harris Fitness Center. The center enhances the quality of life while also preparing military personnel for deployment with a variety of physical fitness, instructional and competitive programs.

The Operations section for the Force Support Squadron oversees 4 different areas in the squadron. One component is the Beale AFB Honor Guard, providing honors and services for a myriad of ceremonies including funerals in an area covering 3 states and over 183,000 square miles. The Readiness Section directs deployment training and preparation for over 100 active duty military members as well as base exercise support, unit security management and the mortuary affairs program. The Training Section manages all training requirements for over 450 military, APF and NAF civilian employees. The IPR section works in conjunction with the 9

Logistics Readiness Squadron and sister agencies within the Wing to ensure all Airmen are processed and prepared for deployments.

LINEAGE

9 Food Service Squadron, Strategic Reconnaissance constituted and activated, 1 May 1949

Redesignated 9 Food Service Squadron, 16 Mar 1950

Redesignated 9 Services Squadron, 1 Oct 1965

Discontinued and inactivated, 1 Jan 1966

Activated, 15 Mar 1983

Inactivated, 1 Jan 1990

Activated, 1 Sep 1991

Redesignated 9 Morale, Welfare, Recreation and Services Squadron, 1 Sep 1992

Redesignated 9 Force Support Squadron, 20 May 2008

STATIONS

Travis AFB, CA, 1 May 1949-15 Apr 1953

Mountain Home AFB, ID, 16 Apr 1953-1 Jan 1966

Beale AFB, CA

ASSIGNMENTS

9 Mission Support Group

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards:

1 Jan 1957-31 Jan 1958

1 Jul 1983-30 Jun 1984

1 Jul 1985-30 Jun 1986

1 Jul 1986-30 Jun 1987

1 Jul 1989-30 Jun 1989

1 Jul 1993-30 Jun 1994

1 Jul 1994-30 Jun 1995

1 Jun 1996-31 May 1998

1 Jun 1998-31 May 2000

1 Jun 2000-31 May 2002

1 Jun 2002-31 May 2004

1 Jun 2005-31 May 2007

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OPERATIONS

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