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OEA's Mission Statement

- The Office of Economic Adjustment (OEA), in coordination with other resources of the Federal Government, will assist states and communities support to:
 - ✓ Plan and carry out local adjustment strategies;
 - ✓ Engage the private sector in ventures to plan and undertake economic development and base redevelopment; and
 - ✓ Effectively speak with one voice and partner with the Military Departments as they carry out their requirements

- Direct Defense Economic Adjustment Program and staff Economic Adjustment Committee

- Act as the first responder locally to the Department's BRAC actions and mission growth impacts



OEA's Role in Assisting States and Communities

- **Defense Economic Adjustment Program provides direct technical and financial assistance to state and local governments impacted by major defense actions**
 - ✓ Assistance delivered through assigned Project Managers
 - ✓ Assistance geared to help communities respond effectively to adverse defense impacts
 - ✓ State and local governments eligible grant recipients to plan and carry out adjustment strategies
 - ✓ Impacts vary by location, timing, and circumstances that will drive a tailored response (minimal, moderate, significant)
 - ✓ Outreach and networking opportunities

- **Designate single point of contact to lead coordinated defense adjustment response to assist communities, businesses and workers**
 - ✓ Economic Development
 - ✓ Education (primary and secondary school impacts)
 - ✓ Historic Preservation
 - ✓ Military Installation Encroachment Management
 - ✓ Small Business Development (defense procurement opportunities)
 - ✓ Social Services (fire, police, child care, senior services)
 - ✓ Transportation (highway and public transit)
 - ✓ Workforce Development (training, higher education, spousal employment)

- **Assist states to enhance existing capacities**
 - ✓ To assist communities, businesses, and workers affected by a defense action;
 - ✓ To support local adjustment and diversification initiatives; and
 - ✓ To stimulate cooperation between statewide and local adjustment and diversification efforts



Virginia BRAC 2005 OEA Projects

- **Arlington County**
 - ✓ Arlington County BRAC Transition Task Force
 - ✓ BRAC Coordinator
 - ✓ Crystal City Redevelopment Planning Initiative
 - ✓ Establish Crystal City Transition Assistance Center
- **City of Alexandria**
 - ✓ Mayor's BRAC Work Group
 - ✓ BRAC Coordinator and Economic Diversification Analysis
- **Fort Belvoir**
 - ✓ Fairfax County BRAC Coordinator supported by expanded planning and transportation staff
 - ✓ Prince William County BRAC Coordinator
 - ✓ Fairfax County transportation modeling
 - ✓ Fairfax County Springfield Connectivity Land Use Planning Initiative
- **Fort Lee**
 - ✓ Fort Lee Regional Growth Steering Committee - Crater Planning District Commission
 - ✓ Enhanced staff at Crater Planning District Commission
 - ✓ Fort Lee Regional Growth Management Plan (i.e., infrastructure, housing, education, workforce and business development)
- **Fort Monroe**
 - ✓ Fort Monroe Federal Area Development Authority
 - ✓ Fort Monroe Base Redevelopment Plan
 - ✓ Anticipating request for additional support for expanded staff and base redevelopment planning
- **Marine Corps Base Quantico**
 - ✓ USMC Quantico Growth Management Committee
 - ✓ BRAC Coordinator (supports regional effort among Stafford and Prince William Counties)
- **Commonwealth of Virginia - VDOT**
 - ✓ Conduct transportation modeling, environmental analysis and preliminary design for Fairfax County Parkway interchange improvements
 - ✓ MOA between OEA and FHWA Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division to update cost estimates for completion of Fairfax County Parkway



Examples of State Initiatives in Response to BRAC 2005

➤ State of Kansas

- ✓ Executive Order 06-02 to form the 24-member Governor's Military Council
 - Chair and members serve at the pleasure of the Governor
 - Strong commitment to support and complement local economic adjustment in response to growth or job loss, i.e. Fort Riley and Kansas AAP
 - Foster cooperation among the installation, public and private sector
 - Assist in development, coordination and execution of state strategy
- ✓ Military Council Executive Director serves as single point of contact
- ✓ OEA financial assistance for organizational support to date
- ✓ Proposed initiative to create state regional planning district to focus on Fort Riley growth impacts

➤ State of Maryland

- ✓ BRAC Subcabinet established (Chapter 6 - SB 110)
 - Lt. Governor serves as Chair
 - Cabinet secretaries from eight state agencies and State Superintendent of Schools
- ✓ Supporting NNMC Bethesda, Fort Meade and APG installation growth
- ✓ Maryland Department of Business & Economic Development (DBED) Office of Military & Federal Affairs serving as single point of contact
- ✓ OEA financial assistance to enhance key state agency staff, transportation planning and water supply expansion initiatives



National Governors Association Initiative

- National Governors Association (NGA) Center for Best Practices, in cooperation with OEA, seeking to enhance the relationship between states, military communities, and military bases

- State level “Mission Growth Working Group” formed to raise visibility of issues and provide guidance to successfully accommodate rapid and substantial installation growth
 - Co-Chaired by Maryland Lt. Governor Anthony Brown and Georgia State Senator Seth Harp
 - Includes representatives appointed by the Governor from Alabama, Colorado, Florida, Hawaii, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Texas, and Virginia
 - Workforce development, education and transportation identified as top challenges

- Provide feedback to OEA on defense-related growth issues and state interests