National Guard & Reserve Equipment Account Funding

NGAUS

Fiscal Year 2026 Fact Sheet



The Issue

The National Guard and Reserve Equipment Account (NGREA) is vital to ensuring the readiness and lethality of National Guard equipment and weapons systems through innovation and servicemember-driven requirements.

Arkansas ARNG G 3-238th Razorback Medevac unit crew chief Sgt. Antony Sellew assists Frigo and his handler Staff Sgt. Clayvon Finch as they participate in an aircraft dog hoist familiarization exercise.

Background

NGREA is Congressionally-added funding for the National Guard and Reserve intended to bridge equipment capability gaps between the Active and Reserve Components. The account directly supports growth or evolution in operational warfighting capability, as well as unfunded requirements and equipment shortfalls.

National Guard NGREA funds are also often utilized to outfit platforms, procured via Programs of Record, with equipment intended for domestic operations missions. This includes sensors and tracking equipment for vehicles, as well as firefighting and rescue systems for National Guard aircraft.

Recommendation

The National Guard Association of the United States (NGAUS) urges Congress to continue appropriating funding for NGREA within defense appropriations legislation, including a robust percentage for the Army National Guard and Air National Guard

Army National Guard NGREA funding has been directed to purchase equipment bridging equipment; chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear (CBRN) detection and communication kits; improved

test equipment for legacy systems; rescue hoists; fire suppression water buckets; and mobile marksmanship training simulators.

Additionally, Air National Guard NGREA funding has been directed to purchase F-16 missile warning systems; F-15 infrared countermeasures; A-10/F-16/C-130H digital radar warning receivers; and tactical data link programs for HC-130J/KC-135/C-17/C-130J aircraft.

NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT OVERVIEW

| | Account | FY20 | FY21 | FY22 | FY23 | FY24 |
|---|----------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| | Army National Guard | \$395,000 | \$285,000 | \$285,000 | \$335,000 | \$310,000 |
| | Air National Guard | \$395,000 | \$285,000 | \$285,000 | \$305,000 | \$300,000 |
| ζ | Army Reserve | \$205,000 | \$155,000 | \$155,000 | \$137,000 | \$155,000 |
| | Navy Reserve | \$75,000 | \$52,000 | \$52,000 | \$55,000 | \$57,000 |
| | Marine Corps Reserve | \$25,000 | \$17,500 | \$17,500 | \$18,000 | \$23,000 |
| | Air Force Reserve | \$205,000 | \$155,000 | \$155,000 | \$150,000 | \$155,000 |
| | Total NGREA | \$1,300,000 | \$950,000 | \$950,000 | \$1,000,000 | \$1,000,000 |

All Dollars in Thousands



