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### [Getting to know the new AFIMSC command chief](#)

AFIMSC welcomes Chief Master Sgt. Hope L. Skibitsky.

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## AFIMSC NEWS & INFORMATION

### [AFIMSC presses till final hours to execute \\$7 billion in FY21](#)

AFIMSC closed out an extremely tight year in the last hours of FY21, executing more than \$7 billion to attain close to 99.9 percent obligation of the operations and maintenance portfolio across the enterprise.

### [AFIMSC acquisition team in running for DOD award for COVID-19 efforts](#)

773rd Enterprise Sourcing Squadron recently garnered Air Force-level recognition for its vast life-saving impact during the COVID-19 pandemic.

### [Total Force Defenders beta testing AFSFC's new weapons qualification course](#)

Defenders from across the Total Force are beta testing a new Air Force security forces weapons qualification course designed to enhance proficiency across the career field.

### [AFCEC biologist helps rehab hundreds of sea pups](#)

Christine Rodriguez, an environmental specialist and biologist at Travis Air Force Base, California, is a volunteer with the Marine Mammal Center in Sausalito, California, and helping rescued sea pups adapt to the wild.

### [New Emergency Operations Center to be built at Tyndall AFB](#)

Following a recent contract award, a new \$13.8 million Emergency Management Operations Center will ensure Tyndall Air Force Base, Florida, remains on course to be the Installation of the Future.

## **[AFCEC CEs garner industry experience to optimize mission success](#)**

AFCEC civil engineers bring back valuable experience after partnering with Tesla, Jacobs Engineering Group and General Motors through the Air Force Education with Industry Program.

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## **OTHER HQ/PSU/DETACHMENT NEWS & INFORMATION**

Stories from around AFIMSC told firsthand by its Airmen.

### **[AFIMSC's Round Table seeks nominations for #IAMIMSC Award](#)**

Want to recognize an AFIMSC Airman whose actions have promoted connectedness and service before self? Then nominate them for the #IAMIMSC award. This is the latest Round Table initiative and the first winner will be announced at its monthly meeting on October 14. [Click here for more info and to nominate your Airman!](#)

### **[Keep it in the Circle](#)**

Any information we fail to protect is subject to compromise and exploitation, either by friendly or unfriendly forces. Click the link to learn about the concept of the Purple Circle of OPSEC.

### **[AFCEC partnership to repair runway at Offutt AFB](#)**

AFCEC is partnering with the 55th Wing at Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska, to provide a complete and usable runway.

### **[The Raven's Bond: Annual Raven's Challenge EOD, PSBS Interoperability Exercise](#)**

Raven's Challenge Interoperability Exercise program provides an opportunity for Public Safety Bomb Squad and Explosive Ordnance Disposal teams to work together and encourages the sharing of best practices, and creates a positive and effective relationship between geographically located EOD and PSBS teams.

### **[AFCEC assists with Afghan refugee beddown](#)**

The combined efforts of AFCEC and Holloman base shops, base civil engineer, and Civil Engineer Maintenance Inspection and Repair Team successfully supported the 5,000-person beddown effort for Afghan refugees at Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico.

### **[AFCEC and Eielson host PFAS pilot study field day](#)**

AFCEC and Eielson Air Force Base, Alaska hosted a field day August 25 to demonstrate two pilot studies, which address PFAS accumulation in soil.

### **[AFCEC Det. 1 holds Expeditionary Collective Protection tabletop exercise](#)**

Ten experts representing AFCEC's Emergency Management Division, Expeditionary Engineering Division, Civil Engineer Capability Requirements Branch and Headquarters Air Force Emergency Management met in late August at Tyndall AFB, Florida, to discuss the Air Force's ability to protect warfighters in the event of a chemical or biological attack.

### **[CIO Update](#)**

The latest news from the Chief Information Office.

## **[AFSVC newsletter – September](#)**

The latest from the Air Force Services Center.

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## **AIR FORCE MATERIEL COMMAND NEWS**

### **[AFMC civilians selected for Civilian Developmental Education opportunities](#)**

Nearly 600 AFMC Civilian Airmen were selected for Academic Year 2022 Civilian Developmental Education opportunities, filling 45% of the total Air Force program allocations for the academic year.

### **[AFMC continues implementation of diversity, inclusion initiatives](#)**

AFMC continues to make progress on a number of diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives across the command as it leads the Air Force in ensuring all Airmen have the right environment, resources and support they need to thrive and succeed.

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## **AFIMSC NEWS CLIPS**

The [Public Affairs News Clips](#) provide our leadership and the AFIMSC team at large situational awareness about the coverage in the media of our direct or related missions and Air Force operations of interest.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Check out two of our most engaging social media posts for September. AFIMSC bid farewell to [Command Chief Master Sgt. Edwin Ludwigen](#) as he departs to lead the Chief's Group at The Pentagon and welcomed new [Command Chief Master Sgt. Hope Skibitsky](#)!



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## IMSC SPOTLIGHT

Meet our recent #IAMIMSC Spotlight teammates, [Master Sgt. Ruben Buñag](#), [Tony Moore](#).



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