# Supporting the War Effort

# Duty

**"Life is the acceptance of responsibilities, or their evasion. It is the business of meeting obligations, or avoiding them. To every man the choice is continually being offered, and by the manner of his choosing you may fairly measure him."**

***Ben Ames Williams***
***Author***

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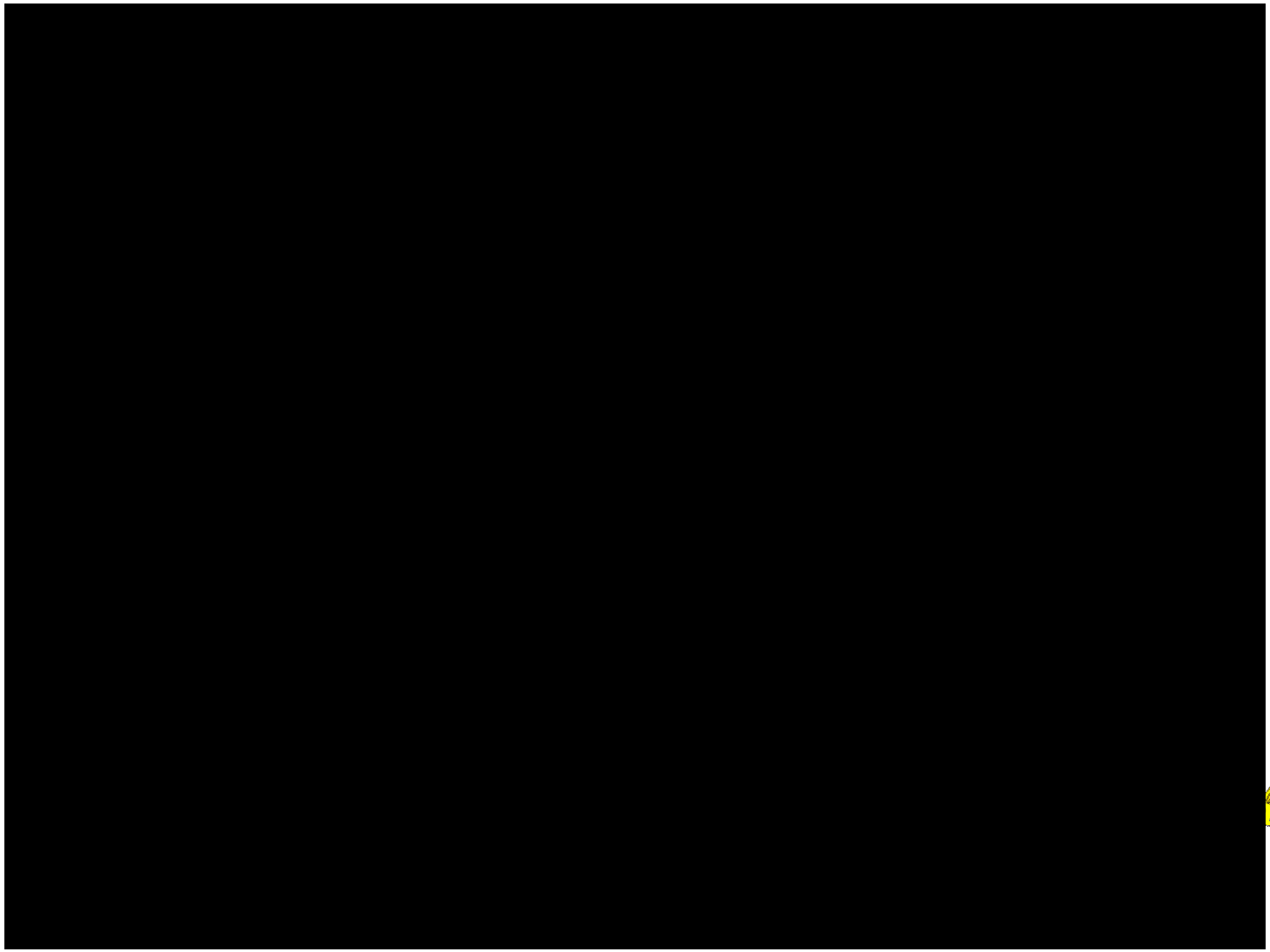

# Purpose

- **Provide the members of TASS a snapshot of the support to the war effort being provided by the Reserve Component Transportation Corps TASS Battalions.**

# Agenda

- Equipment
- Personnel
- The Human Face
- No Longer Business as Usual
- Comments

# Equipment

- M923 - 447
- M872 - 193
- M931 - 56
- M915 - 217
- M998 - 166
- M1078 - 57
- M1083 - 67

- NVGs - 209
- 10,000 LB RTFL - 15
- 4,000 LB RTFL - 5
- LCU 2000 - 2
- LCM 8 – 3

*Total Pieces - 1437*

# Personnel

## STUDENTS

- 88M (drivers) - 1517
- 88N (movement control) - 208
- 88H (cargo handlers) - 71
- 88K - 29
- 88L - 23
- 88T - 2
- 88P - 5
- 88U – 19

  *Total - 1874*
- Marines - 12

## CADRE

- 8 Battalions
- 519 instructors
- 116 mobilized

# The Human Face

- **Not there for the son's first at bat during Little League Baseball**
- **Not there for the daughter's dance recital**
- **Not there when junior breaks curfew and the spouse could use some help**
- **Not there to share a movie, concert, or a kiss**
- **Not there to provide that reassuring look or soothing smile as the spouse deals with trying to run the household with half the income**
- **Active Component moves state side and we take our families; this is not the case for our reserve counterparts**

# No Longer Business as Usual

- Cancelled Training
- Pop-up Training
- Equipment shortfalls
- Fewer Instructors
- Not an excuse for weak staff work
- Not an excuse to disregard standards

# The Love of a Nation

**"What this country needs, it cannot buy. It needs dedicated soldiers who see service to their country as an affair of the heart."**

***General Creighton Abrams***
***Former Army Chief of Staff***

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