

## 26th Annual



**January 6:** Hawaii Military Partnership Conference  
Hawaii Convention Center  
8:00 am to 1:30 am

*HMAM Activities*

**March 18:** "An Evening of Aloha"  
The Royal Hawaiian  
5:30 pm to 9:00 pm

**May 19:** Hawaii Military Recognition Luncheon  
Hilton Hawaiian Village  
12:00 pm to 1:30 pm

**May 21:** Combined Military Band Concert  
Hawaii Theatre  
7:00 pm to 8:30 pm

*Additional HMAM events listed at [www.cochawaii.org](http://www.cochawaii.org)*

**June 13 – 17**  
Military Affairs Council Delegation to Washington D.C.



Held in June, the annual visit to Washington, D.C. includes a delegation of MAC members who meet with key defense officials and military chiefs in the Pentagon along with congressional officials on Capitol Hill.

The purpose is to promote the attractiveness of Hawaii continuing to serve as the central command post for US military operations in the Asia Pacific. The meetings include discussions on the needs of the US military commands, to include the needs of the troops and their families.

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## MILITARY AFFAIRS PROGRAM

Hawaii's military play a key role in  
supporting growth in Hawaii.



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Your generous contributions enable us to  
support Hawaii Military Appreciation  
Month and other military affairs activities  
throughout the year.

**CHAMBER'S MILITARY AFFAIRS PROGRAM PROVIDES OVERSIGHT FOR MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR DEFENSE INDUSTRY**



The Military Affairs Council (MAC) provides statewide oversight for Hawaii's defense industry through funding received from its members and other private sector sources. Some funding is periodically received from government sources to support specific programs that are co-sponsored by the state or county governments.

The MAC is the liaison for the state in matters relating to the military and serves to protect, preserve and enhance the military's forward presence in Hawaii. This forward presence is the key element in US security strategy for the Pacific. The MAC also acts as the advocate for the military and ensures that Hawaii's businesses and residents gain benefits from the military's presence and the more than \$6.4 billion in defense spending in Hawaii.

The MAC is fortunate to have senior leadership provided by business Presidents/CEOs and retired flag and general officers. This high level leadership has been successful in maintaining positive relations with the senior military commanders. The MAC meets regularly with these commanders and has led delegations to Washington, DC annually to ensure that the security of the region is maintained to enable global commerce and trade.

Security challenges in the Pacific remain a major concern with the rise in China's military capabilities and its aggressive actions to control the sea lanes of the China Sea, and North Korea's pursuit of nuclear ballistic missile attack capability. The visible forward presence of US military forces in Hawaii, Guam, Japan, and South Korea, coupled with the military forces of our partner nations, has served to keep these challenges in check. This national strategy has succeeded in

- Containing the spread of terrorism
- Deterring conflicts and wars
- Facilitating unrestricted travel throughout the Pacific
- Enabling the free flow of goods for a thriving global economy

Moreover, the US military has provided humanitarian assistance and disaster relief in the wake of tsunamis, typhoons, earthquakes, and other unforeseen calamities that cause crippling devastation to our Pacific partners.



**Defense Expenditures Stabilizing Force For Hawaii's Economy**

The MAC is pleased to report that defense expenditures in Hawaii continue to function as the stabilizing force for the state's economy during the current economic recession. It resulted in pumping more than \$10.1 billion dollars into the state's economy and, equally important, creating nearly 92,000 good paying jobs for resident reporting a combined \$6.4 billion in household earnings.

We must continue to provide the degree of leadership necessary to ensure regional security and enable growth of a thriving global economy.

It is time again for us to seek your financial donations to sustain our military affairs program that is so critical to growing Hawaii's economy and creating jobs for the workforce. We ask for your generous financial support.

*Please make a donation, at whatever level you can afford, as every contribution will contribute towards sustaining a major source of job creation and the second major source of revenues to our economy.*



*Together*, collectively, from the smallest and newest to the larger and more established businesses, we can stabilize the business sector and restore a thriving and vibrant economy.

Your kokua in helping to protect, preserve, and grow the defense industry is greatly appreciated.

**MAHALO NUI LOA!**

*Corporate Sponsorship*



Be recognized as an organization or individual that supports Hawaii's defense industry! Corporate sponsors will be recognized in printed collateral materials. Title sponsors for events will be recognized as the host for the event.

**You can show your support at the following levels of commitment:**

- Senior Corporate \$10,000 and over
- Corporate \$5,000 and over
- Business \$2,500 and over
- Small Business \$500 and over



*Friends of the Military*

A cash donation opportunity for organizations and individuals: Those contributing \$250 or more will receive appropriate recognition in collateral material.

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