# Adjutant General, including the National Guard and the Department of Emergency Services Budget No. 540 Senate Bill No. 2016

2023-25 legislative appropriations	FTE Positions 233.00	General Fund \$26,285,648	Other Funds \$344,504,073	Total \$370,789,721
2023-25 base budget	222.00	22,882,232	135,478,358	158,360,590
Legislative increase (decrease) to base budget	11.00	\$3,403,416	\$209,025,715	\$212,429,131

#### ONGOING AND ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

	Ongoing General Fund Appropriation	One-Time General Fund Appropriation	Total General Fund Appropriation
2023-25 legislative appropriations	\$24,661,648	\$1,624,000	\$26,285,648
2021-23 legislative appropriations <sup>1</sup>	22,882,232	22,006,656	44,888,888
2023-25 legislative increase (decrease) to 2021-23 appropriations	\$1,779,416	(\$20,382,656)	(\$18,603,240)
Percentage increase (decrease) to 2021-23 appropriations	7.8%	(92.6%)	(41.4%)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The 2021-23 general fund appropriation has been increased by \$20,026,656 for a \$26,656 deficiency appropriation to transfer funds to the Veterans' Cemetery trust fund and \$20,000,000 for snow removal grants to tribal governments, counties, cities, and townships.

# SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE BASE BUDGET AND MAJOR FUNDING ITEMS Changes to Base Budget

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
The legislative action:				
Adjusted funding for base payroll changes		\$91,390	\$194,853	\$286,243
Added funding to provide employee salary increases of 6 percent on July 1, 2023, and 4 percent on July 1, 2024		935,408	1,750,286	2,685,694
Added funding for employee health insurance premiums to reflect a revised premium estimate of \$1,643 per month		332,474	737,408	1,069,882
Added 1 FTE operations and training manager position, 6 FTE watch center positions, 1 FTE physical plant director position, 1 FTE maintenance supervisor II position, 1 FTE general trades maintenance position, and 1 FTE national guard security position	11.00	1,372,635	391,849	1,764,484

Transferred funding for new FTE positions and estimated savings from vacant FTE positions to a new and vacant FTE funding pool in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)	(1,870,255)	(1,823,975)	(3,694,230)
Adjusted funding for State Radio FTE cost to continue	168,286	(168,286)	0
Added funding for Information Technology Department rate increases	8,787	18,670	27,457
Adjusted funding for base budget changes		(1)	(1)
Added funding for increase in armory rent	259,776		259,776
Added funding for Civil Air Patrol 3 percent operating costs increase	4,915		4,915
Added funding for ND1000 recruiting program	320,000		320,000
Added funding for increased information technology unification costs	156,000		156,000
Added funding for homeland security grants from federal funds		13,240,000	13,240,000
Added funding for disaster grants from federal funds		22,732,411	22,732,411
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for accrued leave payouts for retirements	100,000	175,000	275,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for statewide interoperable radio network equipment from the federal <b>State Fiscal Recovery Fund</b>		2,700,000	2,700,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for Camp Grafton fitness facility project from the <b>State Fiscal Recovery Fund</b>		9,000,000	9,000,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for Dickinson Readiness Center from the <b>State Fiscal Recovery Fund</b>		8,900,000	8,900,000
Added one-time funding for maintenance and repairs	1,000,000		1,000,000
Added one-time funding for Minot hangar purchase	60,000		60,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation (STORM) Act from the <b>disaster relief fund</b>		1,000,000	1,000,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for replacement of State Radio consoles	150,000		150,000
Added one-time funding for cybersecurity grants	314,000		314,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for disaster grants, including \$136,947,500 from federal funds and \$5,705,000 from the <b>disaster relief fund</b>		142,652,500	142,652,500

Added <b>one-time funding</b> for flood mitigation grants from the <b>disaster relief fund</b>			225,000	225,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for natural disaster response and recovery grants from the <b>disaster relief fund</b>			2,000,000	2,000,000
Added <b>one-time contingency funding</b> for Camp Grafton training center billets from the <b>State Fiscal Recovery Fund</b> if other federal funds become available for the completion of the Dickinson Readiness Center			5,300,000	5,300,000
Total	11.00	\$3,403,416	\$209,025,715	\$212,429,131

## **FTE Changes**

The Legislative Assembly approved 233 FTE positions for the Adjutant General for the 2023-25 biennium, an increase of 11 FTE positions from the 2021-23 biennium authorized level of 222 FTE positions. The Legislative Assembly added the following FTE positions:

- 1 FTE operations and training manager position
- 1 FTE watch center manager position
- 4 FTE watch center analyst positions (2 FTE positions are unfunded)
- 1 FTE dashboard technician position
- 1 FTE physical plant director position
- 1 FTE maintenance supervisor II position
- 1 FTE general trades maintenance position
- 1 FTE National Guard security position

# **One-Time Funding**

The following is a summary of one-time funding items for the Adjutant General for the 2023-25 biennium:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Accrued leave payouts for retirements	\$100,000	\$175,000	\$275,000
Statewide interoperable radio network equipment (State Fiscal Recovery Fund)		2,700,000	2,700,000
Camp Grafton fitness facility project (State Fiscal Recovery Fund)		9,000,000	9,000,000
Dickinson Readiness Center (State Fiscal Recovery Fund)		8,900,000	8,900,000
Maintenance and repairs	1,000,000		1,000,000
Minot hangar	60,000		60,000
STORM (disaster relief fund)		1,000,000	1,000,000
State Radio console replacement	150,000		150,000
Disaster response equipment (federal funds)		660,000	660,000
Cybersecurity grants	314,000		314,000
Disaster grants (federal funds and disaster relief fund)		142,652,500	142,652,500
Flood mitigation grant to City of Marion (disaster relief fund)		225,000	225,000
Natural disaster response and recovery grants (disaster relief fund)		2,000,000	2,000,000
Camp Grafton training center billets (State Fiscal Recovery Fund - contingent appropriation)		5,300,000	5,300,000
Total	\$1,624,000	\$172,612,500	\$174,236,500

#### Other Sections in Senate Bill No. 2016

**Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund** - Section 3 appropriates any funds received and deposited in the Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10.10 for the operation of the Veterans' Cemetery for the 2023-25 biennium.

**Estimated income - State Fiscal Recovery Fund** - Section 4 identifies \$20.6 million from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund, of which \$2.7 million is for statewide interoperable radio network equipment, \$9 million is for the construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility, and \$8.9 million is for the completion of the Dickinson Readiness Center.

**Contingent appropriation - Camp Grafton training center billets** - Section 5 appropriates \$5.3 million from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund for the construction of Camp Grafton training center billets if other federal funds become available for the completion of the Dickinson Readiness Center.

**Transfer to Veterans' Cemetery trust fund** - Section 6 provides a 2021-23 biennium general fund deficiency appropriation of \$26,656 for transfers to the Veterans' Cemetery trust fund.

**Estimated income - State disaster relief fund -** Section 7 identifies \$14,918,245 from the state disaster relief fund, of which \$11,693,245 is for unclosed state disasters, \$2 million is for natural disaster response and recovery grants, \$1 million is for the 10 percent state match for the STORM grant, and \$225,000 is for flood mitigation grants.

**Natural disaster response and recovery grant** - Section 8 identifies \$2 million from the state disaster relief fund for supporting political subdivisions in preventing loss of life or significant property damage when preparing for, responding to, and recovering from natural disasters.

**Cybersecurity grant** - Section 9 identifies \$314,000 from the general fund for grants to political subdivisions to provide a 5 percent local match for enforcing cybersecurity.

**Maintenance and repairs** - Section 10 authorizes the Adjutant General to transfer up to \$500,000 from various line items to the operating expenses and capital assets line items for the maintenance and repair of state-owned armories during the 2023-25 biennium. Any amounts transferred must be reported to OMB.

**Watch center positions** - Section 11 authorizes the Adjutant General to transfer up to \$409,260 from the operating expenses line item to the salaries and wages line item for two watch center analyst positions during the 2023-25 biennium. Any amounts transferred must be reported to OMB.

**Exemption - Unexpended appropriations -** Section 12 allows any unspent funds remaining from the following appropriations to be continued into the 2023-25 biennium:

- 2019-21 biennium appropriation authority from the strategic investment and improvements fund for computer-aided dispatch equipment;
- 2021-23 biennium appropriation authority of \$1.71 million from the general fund in the tuition, recruiting, and retention line item;
- 2021-23 biennium appropriation authority of \$80,000 from the general fund and \$240,000 of federal funds for the Fraine Barracks automation system;
- 2021-23 biennium appropriation authority of \$15.5 million from federal funds for the construction of the Dickinson Readiness Center;
- 2021-23 biennium appropriation authority of \$6 million from federal funds for the line of communication bridge training site;
- 2021-23 biennium appropriation authority from the National Guard training area and facility development trust fund and the strategic investment and improvements fund appropriated for the Camp Grafton expansion;
- 2021-23 biennium appropriation authority from the COVID-19 response for the purpose of defraying COVID-19 and other expenses; and
- 2021-23 biennium appropriation authority from the American Rescue Plan Act for the purposes of replacing the state active-duty software and maintenance and enhancing housing at Camp Grafton.

**Camp Grafton expansion** - Section 13 provides legislative intent for the Adjutant General to purchase or lease land for the Camp Grafton expansion.

**North Dakota military museum** - Section 14 allows the Adjutant General to accept funds, including private and federal, for the construction of a North Dakota military museum.

Legislative Management study - Cold War trail project - Section 15 provides for a Legislative Management study for a Cold War trail project.

**Emergency clause** - Section 16 declares Sections 6, 8, and 9 and \$60,000 from the Civil Air Patrol line item for the Minot hangar purchase, \$314,000 for cybersecurity grants, and \$2 million for disaster response and recovery grants to be emergency measures.

### **Related Legislation**

House Bill No. 1069 (2023) - National Guard pay and benefits - Increases pay and benefits received by National Guard members requiring additional funding.

House Bill No. 1070 (2023) - Hazard mitigation - Establishes a hazard mitigation revolving fund to be administered by the Department of Emergency Services in accordance with the STORM Act. The STORM Act requires the state to provide a 10 percent match before the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will provide its 90 percent cost-share. Funding of \$1 million from the state disaster relief fund has been included in the Adjutant General's budget to meet this requirement.

Senate Bill No. 2015 (2023) - Funding pools - Includes funding pools from which the agency may receive allocations, including the:

- Employer retirement contribution pool from which the agency is to receive \$184,866, of which \$67,170 is from the general fund and \$117,696 is from other funds in accordance with provisions of Section 23 of Senate Bill No. 2015 for the 1 percent employer retirement contribution increase provided for in House Bill No. 1040 (2023) and \$179,643, of which \$61,510 is from the general fund and \$118,133 is from other funds for the employer retirement contribution increase relating to peace officers provided for in House Bill No. 1183 (2023);
- New and vacant FTE funding pool from which the agency may request funding when hiring new FTE positions or if the agency does not realize sufficient savings from vacant FTE positions in accordance with provisions of Section 22 of Senate Bill No. 2015; and
- Targeted market equity pool from which the agency may receive an allocation as determined by OMB in accordance with provisions of Section 20 of Senate Bill No. 2015.

**Senate Bill No. 2015 - Snow removal grants - Provides a 2021-23 biennium deficiency appropriation of \$5 million from the state disaster relief fund to the Adjutant General for grants to tribal governments, counties, cities, and townships for emergency snow removal.** 

**Senate Bill No. 2094 (2023) - National Guard tuition grant expansion** - Expands National Guard tuition grants to include out-of-state postsecondary education institutions. Unexpended general fund appropriation authority of \$1,710,000 from the 2021-23 biennium tuition, recruiting, and retention line item provides the funding for the estimated cost of \$1,615,000 for this program.

**Senate Bill No. 2183 (2023) - Snow removal grants** - Provides a 2021-23 biennium deficiency appropriation of \$20 million from the general fund to the Adjutant General for grants to tribal governments, counties, cities, and townships for emergency snow removal.