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**ORGANIZATION**
- Volunteer non-profit community advocacy organization, 501(c)4, founded in 1999
- 20 directors who donate their time and come from local businesses, defense industry, and the community. Several are retired APG leaders. Key supporting organizations:
  - Maryland Department of Commerce
  - Harford County Office of Community and Economic Development
  - Cecil County Office of Economic Development
  - Cities of Aberdeen, Bel Air and Havre de Grace
- Receive state and local grants but need individual and corporate sponsors to fully fund our efforts

**PURPOSE**
- To preserve Aberdeen Proving Ground (APG) as a national asset along with its centers of excellence
- Inform elected officials, decision-makers, and the community about issues impacting APG
- Position Northeastern Maryland for the next Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) action, as well as protect and grow APG missions, programs, and jobs
- See [www.armyalliance.org](http://www.armyalliance.org) and [www.apg.army.mil](http://www.apg.army.mil) for more information about the Alliance, its partners, and APG.

**SIGNIFICANT PAST ACHIEVEMENTS**
- Major role in supporting APG and the community in response to the DoD recommendations during BRAC 2005, result was an increase in the APG mission
- Solid reputation for quick response with accurate information to U.S. Senate, U.S. Congress, and MD General Assembly principals and staff
- Military Construction Projects at APG to include Automotive Technology Evaluation Center, Rotorcraft Survivability Assessment Facility and Advanced Chemistry Laboratory
- Funding of BRAC priority highway intersections and Edgewood and Aberdeen Train Station upgrades
- Establishment of new regional organizations: NE Maryland Additive Manufacturing Authority (RAMP MD), NE Maryland Higher Education Advisory Board, University Research Park Study and Organization, Aberdeen Science & Math Academy, Joppatowne High School Homeland Security Program
- Coordination of community efforts in response to the Supplemental Programmatic Environmental Assessment (SPEA)
- Increased funding into the National Defense Education Program (NDEP) which provides grants for STEM efforts including salary compensation
- Recognition in 2018 for APG/Chesapeake Science and Security Corridor (CSSC) as a “Great American Defense Community”

*Since 1999, successfully supported initiatives/projects with a total value over $300 Million*

**CURRENT INITIATIVES**

**Federal**
- Continue funding of the Army Facility Reduction Program to demolish contaminated buildings in the Edgewood Area of APG
- Protect the Department of Homeland Security funding for the Chemical Security Analysis Center, a critical national security asset based at APG
- Submit an appropriation funding & report language request to support upgrades to existing biomanufacturing capabilities at APG’s Chemical and Biological Center
- Provide improvements for APG workforce recruitment, sustainment of direct hire authorities and improvement to USAJOBS

**State/Local**
- Continue to champion tax exemption of military retirement pay
- Monitor controversial measure that would have applied sales tax to the provision of services, with a potential impact to Defense contractors
- Host the Maryland Military Alliance Open House (5th year)
- Support Harford County Office of Community and Economic Development prepare “Alphabet Suit,” a booklet that addresses doing business with APG
- Coordination/collaboration on Compatibility Use Plans (CUP), ensuring community readiness for APG growth