FY 11 Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Program Scrapbook

4th of July at Washington Ferry Farm a memorable event for over 2,500 visitors due to Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Drug Demand Reduction and aviation personnel participation.

1,360 youth from 8 counties across Virginia receive "Boot Camp" adventure based life skills program through Virginia National Guard Drug Demand Reduction support to 4H summer camps.

Fort Lee soldier and others involved in marijuana smuggling arrested in controlled delivery supported by Virginia National Guard criminal analyst.

Virginia National Guard Counterdrug aviators impart marijuana spotting skills and experience to Coast Guard aviators in a joint operational train the trainer event in Hampton Roads.

Idaho National Guard receives mentorship and assistance from Virginia National Guard Counterdrug aviator in fielding LUH-72 fleet and establishing maintenance best practices.

Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Soldier supports multi-agency federal and state law enforcement land navigation and tactical training at Pocahontas State Park receiving a Drug Enforcement Administration instructor coin for superior support.

National level aerial reconnaissance assets coordinated by the Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Task Force assist the Commonwealth's law enforcement in high payoff cases.

New York to Richmond multi-drug distribution network dismantled with Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Task Force analytical, imagery, and surveillance support.

Illegal drug proceeds targeted in drug money for contraband cigarettes sting supported by Virginia National Guard criminal analyst leading to 4 arrests and dismantlement of major drain on state tax revenues.

9 arrested on narcotics charges and crack house closed down. Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Task Force provides key surveillance equipment support.

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5 month long federal, state, and local task force narcotics investigation culminates in two key arrests and $141,000 in currency seized. Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Task Force provides critical surveillance equipment operational support and Ion scanning support to detect drug residues.

The Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Counternarcotics and Global Threats (DASD-CN&GT) welcomes Virginia National Guard Drug Demand Reduction support for their "2011 Policy Kids Day" at the Pentagon.

First joint S&S Detachment/ Counterdrug Task Force aviation mission supports law enforcement narcotics warrants netting two arrests, drug lab equipment seizures, and confiscation of 8 illegal weapons disrupting significant wholesale to retail operation.

Virginia National Guard criminal analyst provides critical lead analytical support to multi-agency federal, state, local, and commercial agency sweep that yields 9 arrests and seizure of 112 pounds of marijuana, ecstasy, and $91,440 of currency.

Title 3 wiretap investigation culminates in 35 indictments, dismantling New York to Hampton Roads heroin distribution ring. Virginia National Guard provides short notice criminal analysts for wire tap monitoring support during critical final stage of investigation.

Over 9,500 pounds of excess and potentially dangerous pharmaceuticals collected by state and local agencies during the Drug Enforcement Administration/Office of the Attorney General drug take back day safely transported by Virginia National Guard personnel over 1,214 miles for incinerator destruction.

The Adjutant General signs proactive designer drug policy memo in support of the Joint Substance Abuse Program.

Virginia National Guard Counterdrug program invited to participate on national Drug Demand Reduction vision panel.

Large marijuana plant grow detected with Virginia National Guard Counterdrug aviation support. Over 5,200 plants worth over $18m eradicated.

Virginia National Guard Prevention, Treatment, & Outreach program and Joint Substance Abuse Prevention program partner with the Command's Behavioral Health Working Group to develop, publish, and distribute the Support Services Handbook. This resource provides an easy to use single information source for the multitude of service and family member support services in the guard.

Federal, state, and local agencies working together in a task force with Virginia National Guard aviation support executes early morning warrants netting 7 arrests.

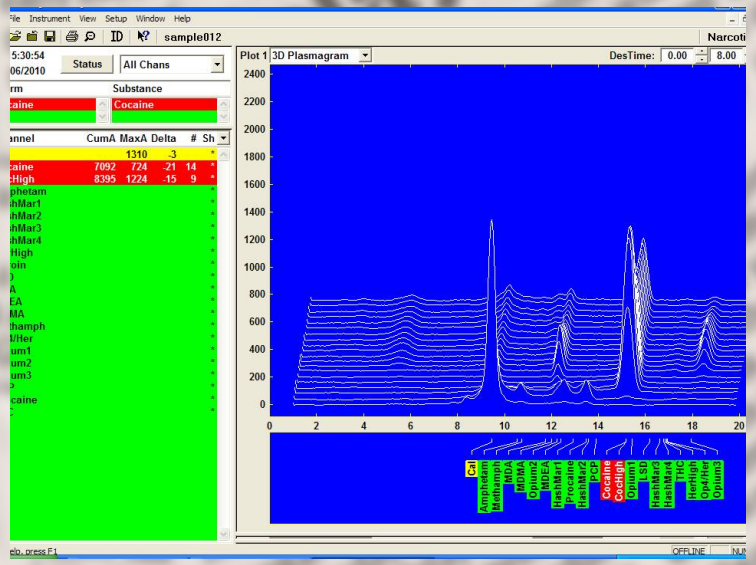
Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Task Force hosts National Guard Bureau General Officers providing overview of counterdrug capabilities and the opportunity to speak with supported community, educational, and law enforcement agency leadership.

Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Task Force personnel answer the call, two deploying to Afghanistan and one to Iraq.

Virginia National Guard criminal analyst invited to lead and train multi-agency analysts in sweep yielding 3 arrests and the seizure of over one million dollars of illicit drugs as well as $161,110 of drug proceeds.

Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Task Force supports planning and execution of the Governor's Office for Substance Abuse Prevention annual conference.

Patrick County Emergency Management Services personnel receive Office of the Attorney General Methwatch training from Virginia National Guard Drug Demand Reduction Personnel.



School Resource Officers receive Gateway Drug Prevention train the trainer support from Virginia National Guard Drug Demand Reduction personnel.

Close to 200 youth and family members receive Drug Demand Reduction training and Hooked on Fishing Not On Drugs alternative activity training during the Virginia National Guard Readiness Support Group Youth Camp at the State Military Reservation.

20 years of active Counterdrug Task Force service! SFC Dave Waltman retires after successful National Guard Traditional Soldier and Counterdrug Criminal Analyst careers.

SSG Christopher Rush, Virginia National Guard criminal analyst, selected as North East region Analyst of the Year and will compete at national level.

VANG Counterdrug selected to provide criminal analyst support for national level fusion center.

District of Columbia National Guard Counterdrug Task Force partners with Virginia flying 125 hours of marijuana eradication eliminating 1,664 plants worth over $4.9m from the Commonwealth.

Virginia National Guard weathers tough fiscal year but still focus' on mission results.

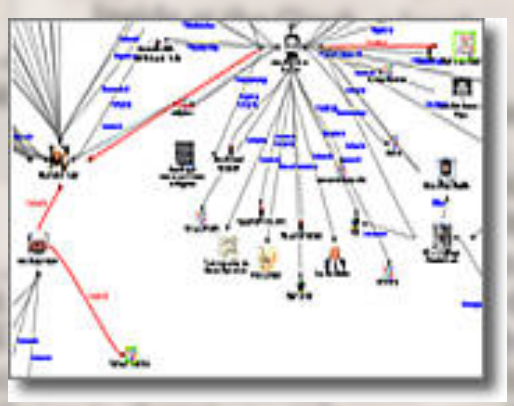
“2011 Better Things To Do Than Drugs!” National Red Ribbon drug awareness week supported by VANG Counterdrug personnel at six events. Keystone supp “2011 Better Things To Do Than Drugs!” National Red Ribbon drug awareness week supported by VANG Counterdrug personnel at six events. Keystone support provided to DEA nationally sponsored Boy/Girl Scout Red Ribbon Camporee in conjunction with personnel from the 229 MP company.

Virginia National Guard drug testing program maintains deterrence and also an exemplary sampling error rate of less than 3 tenths of 1 percent.

Aggressive Prevention, Treatment, & Outreach program marketing plan yielding results, with 96 referrals in FY11, a 60% increase over prior year.

Summer marijuana season well under way with 250 flight hours yielding 15, 162 plants eradicated with a street value of over $45m.

VANG Counterdrug Drug Demand Reduction personnel support Fort Pickett Open House/Fall Festival event with gateway drug awareness station.



VANG Counterdrug and S&S Detachment reach out to over 3,000 visitors at the Richmond Touch a Truck event.

Narcotics related gunfight involving automatic weapons in a living area prompts a short notice request for VANG Counterdrug helicopter support. Mission utilizing Forward Looking Infrared sensors and 50 million candlepower aerial spotlight succeeds with two arrests along with weapons and drugs seized.

Prevention, Treatment, & Outreach specialist from the Counterdrug Program supports the Suicide Crisis Incident Debriefing Team at for co-workers and former deployed battle buddies of a soldier who committed suicide while deployed.

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Joint Substance Abuse Program helps keep Virginia National Guard with over 9,000 drug tests administered and 80 unit Unit Prevention Specialists and Drug Testing Program Administrative Managers.

Fiscal Year 2011 Virginia National Guard Counterdrug Program results in: $1.75m program provided Drug Demand Reduction services to over 8918 youth and adults in over 32,000 contacts, supported law enforcement operations involving 441 arrests and the seizure of over $125m worth of narcotics, currency, weapons, and other drug related items, eradicated 37,638 marijuana plants, and provided 341 scans for drug residue for 58 law enforcement entities.