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Citizens in Support of Sea Services

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Semper Paratus: Always Ready



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- Founded in 1902 with the support of President Teddy Roosevelt
- Promotes the need for strong sea services
- Civilian organization
- 200 local councils
- 37,000 members worldwide
- Our goal: to educate the public and elected officials on the importance of a strong maritime component for our national security
- Supports and advocates for members of the Navy, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and U.S. Flag-Flag-Merchant Marine

About the Navy League





Overview of the Coast Guard

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- Ports, waterways, and coastal security
- Drug interdiction
- Immigrant Interdiction
- Aids to navigation
- Search and rescue
- Marine environmental protection
- Marine safety
- Ice operations
- Living marine resources
- Defense readiness
- Law enforcement



The only organization that is a **military** service, **federal** law enforcement agency, and our nation's **lead** maritime first responder with the mandate to act. The Coast Guard is military, multi-mission, and maritime.



The U.S. Maritime Environment



- 95,000 miles of shoreline.
- Waterborne trade carries over 1.3 billion metric tons of cargo each year. Another billion tons of cargo is carried in domestic waterborne movements.
- \$4.6 trillion of economic activity is generated by the Maritime Transportation System.
- One of every six jobs is marine-related.
- Maritime transportation is the lifeblood of our national economy and fuels the global economy.

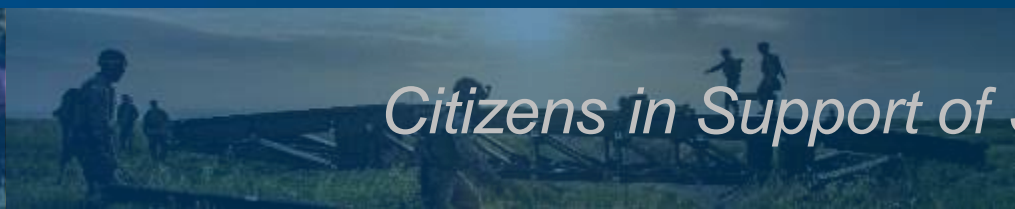
The Coast Guard is imperative to our economic security!



A Day for the Coast Guard



- Conducts **44** search and rescue cases;
- Saves **12** lives;
- Seizes **1,221** pounds of cocaine and 85 pounds of marijuana
- Interdicts **7** undocumented migrants;
- Screens **329** merchant vessels for potential security threats
- prior to arrival in U.S. ports;
- Conducts **15** fisheries conservation boardings;
- Services **80** buoys and fixed aids to navigation;
- Facilitates movement of **\$12.6B** worth of goods and commodities through the Nation's Maritime Transportation System;
- Investigates **34** pollution incidents.



Evolving Threats to Homeland Security



The Coast Guard has several areas of strategic focus that drive USCG operations and capital investments:

- Transnational organized crime networks
- The imperative for border security
- Increasing maritime commerce
- Emerging cyber risk
- Future challenges in the polar region.



A National Imperative

- History has demonstrated that a strong maritime capability is a key characteristic of great nations, and challenges to our maritime dominance are beginning to emerge.
- We must continue to invest in the Coast Guard to ensure they have the cutters, aircraft, and new technology they need to succeed across many different mission sets.

The Navy League recommends:

Funding the Procurement, Construction, and Improvement (PC&I) budget at least \$2B/year.



The Coast Guard Needs Your Help

Coast Guard recapitalization is on track, but operations budgets have remained flat even as new assets come online. This means cutbacks elsewhere:

- Not enough funds for fuel
- Not enough funds for training
- Not enough funds for quality of life benefits

The Navy League recommends:

5% per year growth in Operations & Support funding.



The Arctic Imperative

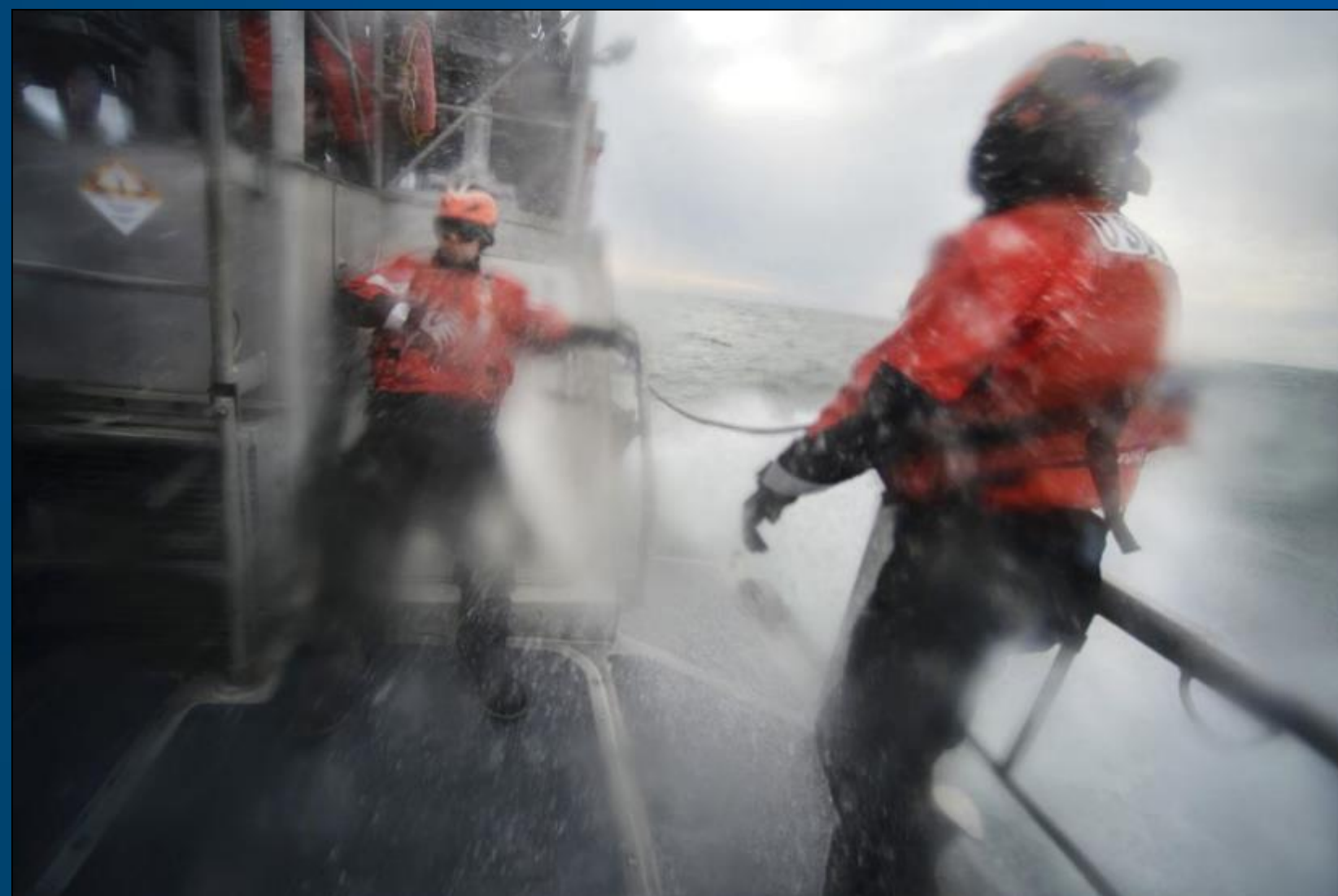
- The Coast Guard is the lead federal agency for the Arctic: It must have enhanced capability to strengthen partnerships in a rules-based international order, and innovate to promote prosperity
- Human activity in the Arctic is increasing, and the Coast Guard must be able to respond in a crisis.
- Other Arctic nations have a strong presence in the region: The U.S. should too: Six different government agencies depend on Coast Guard having icebreaking capabilities.
- The Coast Guard needs 3 heavy and 3 medium icebreakers, yet has just one medium and one operational heavy icebreaker.



The Coast Guard issued a contract for the first PSC hull in April after Congress funded the program.

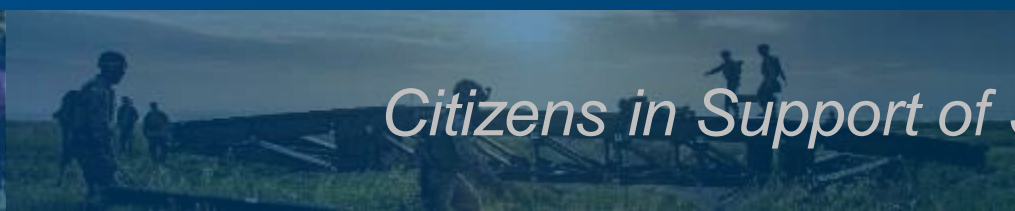


FY2020 Coast Guard Priorities



To meet the future demands of our maritime system, we must invest in our Coast Guard. The Navy League's priorities for the Coast Guard are:

- Fund the Procurement Budget at least \$2B/year to fully fund the Offshore Patrol Cutter and other recapitalization efforts like the inland waterways fleet.
- Increase Operations funds by 5% per year to improve readiness and retention.
- Deliver at least six new Fast Response Cutters (FRCs) per year.
- Construction contract for the Polar Security Cutter.
- Aviation and C4ISR improvements, including polar aviation.
- Recapitalize Shore Infrastructure: \$1.7B of improvement backlog should be funded at least \$300M/year.
- Grow the workforce by adding 5,000 active duty and 1,100 reservists.



Closing Comments

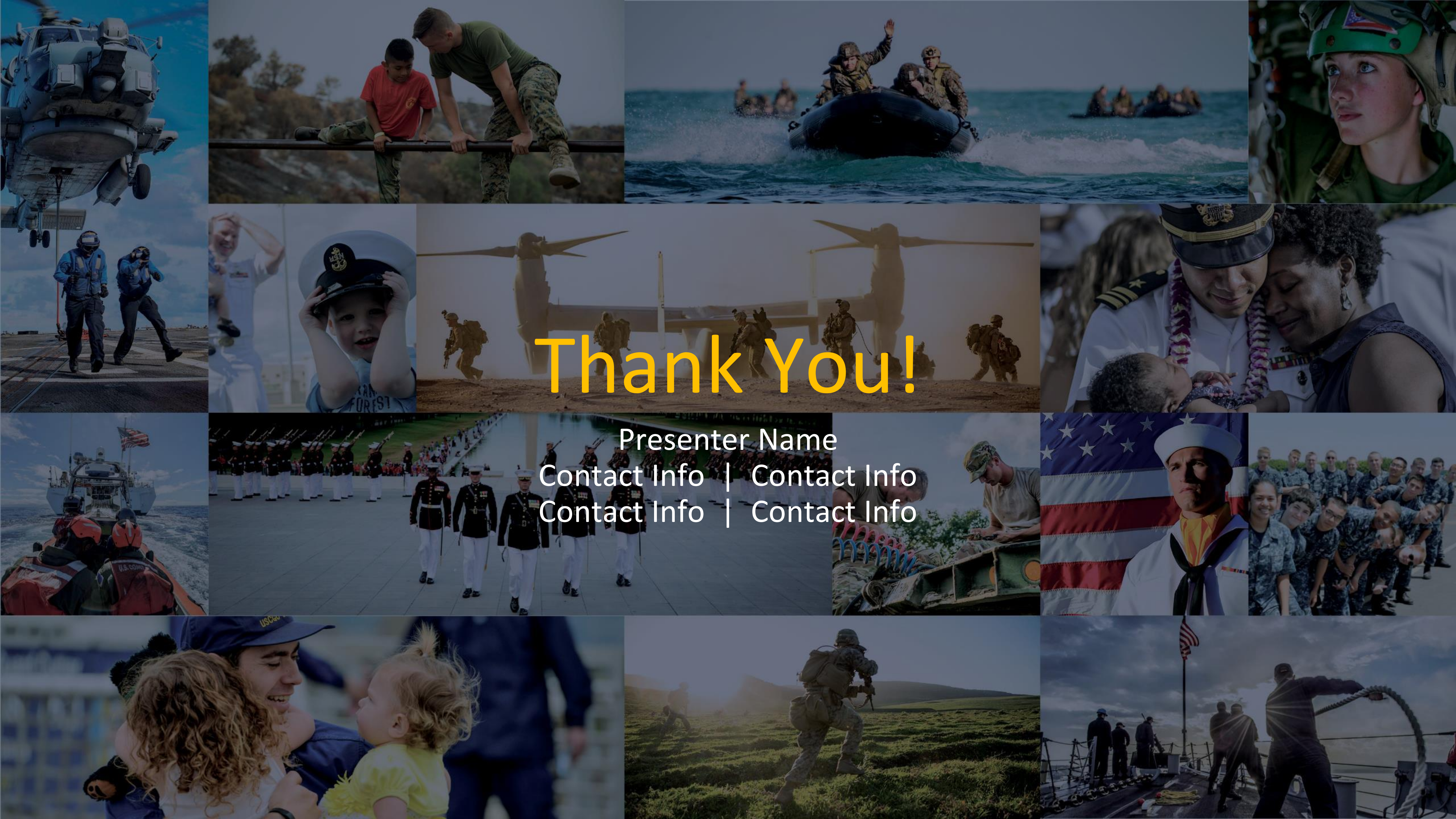


The Coast Guard plays a critical role in protecting our nation's waterways, ports, and citizens from emerging threats.

The Navy League recommends:

- Funding PC&I at \$2B/year
- 5% yearly growth in Operations & Support funding, including increasing end strength





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