

# UT WING

## 2018 STATISTICS

### Volunteer Members

326 adult members  
470 cadets  
79 aircrew personnel  
365 emergency responders

### Squadrons

14 locations statewide

### Aircraft

8 single engine  
2 gliders

### Vehicles

12 vehicles

### Interoperable Communications

14 VHF/FM repeaters  
133 VHF/FM stations  
34 HF stations

### Missions

8 search and rescue missions  
2 lives saved\*  
7 finds\*  
\* Includes lives saved and finds credited with national team support  
3 CAP, AFROTC & AFJROTC cadet orientation flight missions  
1 other Air Force support mission  
14 training missions  
1 other mission in support of partner agencies and organizations or local municipalities

### Significant Event Supported in Fiscal Year 2018

Hill AFB Low Level Route Surveys

### Cadet Flying

829 CAP, AFROTC & AFJROTC cadet orientation flights

### Total Hours Flown

1,099

### Financial

\$80,000 in state funding  
\$2.4 million value of wing's volunteer hours

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## INTERESTING FACTS

» Eight single engine aircraft and two gliders support aerospace education and search and rescue operations.

70  YEARS  
As U.S. Air Force Auxiliary



The 2018 Utah Wing Flight Academy graduates, instructors and staff assemble for a class photo.



In a time where the U.S. is coping with a national pilot shortage, the Utah Wing of Civil Air Patrol is seeing great success in training the next generation of America's youth through its annual Flight Academy activity. This remarkable opportunity is held each year in July at the South Valley Regional Airport near Salt Lake City.

Pioneered by Lt. Col. Rand Woodward, a Utah Wing member and former military and airline pilot, the Utah Wing leverages CAP's federally provided Cessna 172 aircraft and its cadre of volunteer senior flight Instructors to provide an intensive 10 days of flight

training for cadets. During the activity, cadets receive all the ground and in-air instruction necessary to complete their first solo flight, a huge milestone and accomplishment, setting them on a course that usually leads to a private pilot certification.

Over the last three years, 21 cadets have been trained at the Utah Wing Flight Academy, and all 21 successfully soloed and earned their CAP Solo Wings.

The wing provides these cadets with an environment for success at a significant savings over privately available

flight training opportunities. By utilizing the well-maintained aircraft at CAP's disposal, along with the donated instructors' time and skill, these cadets get a significant head-start in exposure to aviation-based careers as well as a great step ahead in becoming the next pilots to serve America in various capacities.

Programs like this are the reasons that Civil Air Patrol remains the leader in its missions of aerospace education, cadet programs and emergency services. The Utah Wing continues to lead in each for the state, the nation and the citizens it serves.