

## 72 SECURITY FORCES SQUADRON



### **MISSION**

The mission of the 72nd Security Forces Squadron is to provide safe and secure environments for a base populace of more than 60,000 personnel and \$15.4 billion in assets.

The men and women of the 72nd SFS support approximately 70 fly-away missions annually in support of Airborne Warning and Control System and Navy Take Charge and Move Out aircraft and personnel.

The primary mission at home station is providing protection for 52 protection-level aircraft, internal security, air base defense and traffic/installation entry control. Pass and Registration is a critical first-line-of-defense for the installation and processes more than 76,000 customer transactions annually.

The Combat Arms Training and Maintenance section is vital to the deployed operations mission of the base and trains more than 5,000 personnel annually in the operation of the M4 rifle, M16A2 rifle and M9 handgun.

Tinker Defenders serve at multiple locations around the globe supporting the war effort, such as: detainee operations, Iraqi Police training, and aircraft security. The 72nd SFS was also selected as the Outstanding Large Security Forces Unit in the Air Force for 2005.

What the unit is composed of:

Air Force: 366

IMA: 7

Reserve Augmentees: 9

Navy: 46

US Protect: 92

Civilian: 16  
Squadron Headquarters: Bldg. 591  
Pass and ID: Bldg 590  
Logistics/Mobility: Bldg. 1128  
Training: Bldg. 1088  
Armory: Bldg. 1036  
Kennels: Bldg. 1089  
CATM: Bldg. 1050

What the unit manages:

Personnel Security  
Industrial Security  
Physical Security  
Protection Level Security  
Installation Entry Control  
Law Enforcement  
Combat Arms Training and Maintenance  
K-9  
Armory and Privately Owned Weapons Storage  
Pass and Registration  
Drug Abuse Resistance Education  
Military Customs  
Crime Prevention  
Corrections

#### **LINEAGE**

72 Air Police Squadron constituted, Jun 1952  
Activated, 16 Jun 1952  
Redesignated 72 Combat Defense Squadron, 1 Apr 1959  
Redesignated 72 Security Police Squadron, 2 Jul 1967  
Inactivated, 30 Jun 1971

2854 Security Police Squadron designated and activated, 1 Aug 1978  
Redesignated 654 Security Police Squadron, 1 Oct 1992

72 Security Police Squadron and 654 Security Police Squadron consolidated, 16 Sep 1994.  
Consolidated unit designated 654 Security Police Squadron

Redesignated 72 Security Police Squadron, 1 Oct 1994  
Redesignated 72 Security Forces Squadron, 1 Jul 1997

#### **STATIONS**

Ramey AFB, Puerto Rico, 6 Jun 1952-30 Jun 1971  
Tinker AFB, OK, 1 Aug 1978

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

72 Air Base (later, 72 Combat Support) Group, 16 Jun 1952-30 Jun 1971

2854 Air Base (later, 654 Support; 654 Air Base) Group, 1 Aug 1978

72 Support (later, 72 Mission Support) Group, 1 Oct 1994

## **COMMANDERS**

Lt Col Brian Dubroff

Lt Col Joe R. Hogan,

Maj Nikolas Chapapas, 30 Sep 2002

Lt Col Lisette D. Childers, 18 Jun 2007

Lt Col Troy A. Roberts, 30 Ju 2009

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Oct 1957-1 Jun 1958

1 Jul 1967-30 Jun 1968

1 Jul 1968-30 Jun 1969

1 Jan-31 Dec 1978

1 Jan-31 Dec 1979

1 Jan 1985-31 Dec 1986

1 Jan 1995-31 Dec 1996

1 Jan 1997-31 Dec 1998

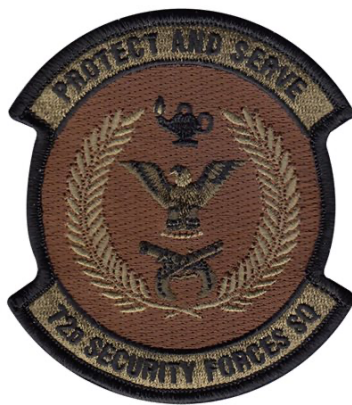
1 Jan 2005-31 Dec 2006

1 Jul 2012-30 Jun 2014

## **EMBLEM**



Approved, 23 Aug 1979



## MOTTO

## NICKNAME

## OPERATIONS

18 Oct - A 10-man team from the 72nd Security Police Squadron begins a 33-day temporary duty assignment at Wright- Patterson AFB, Ohio in support of the international Balkan Proximity Talks. These talks result in the Dayton Peace Accord. 1995

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USAF Unit Histories  
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