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# NORTH DAKOTA NATIONAL GUARD LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

## BUDGET PRIORITIES

### Critical Infrastructure State Match

- Increase ability to perform required maintenance and repairs on facilities with state cost share
- Request - \$6M (\$1.5M base budget, \$4.5M SIIF)
- Federal Funds ROI – 3:1
- Extend the life span of the 330 NDNG state facilities

### Infrastructure Insurance

- Increase insurance coverage on NDNG facilities
- Request - \$790K
- NDNG Infrastructure is under insured by \$280M
- Properly insured infrastructure in case significant damage occurs



### Regional Training Institute (RTI) Authority

- Receive state authority to use federal funds for construction of additional lodging for the RTI
- Request - \$34M Authority to spend Federal Funds.
- 65% Preliminary Design submitted for review in Dec 2024
- Project ready for bid by Oct 2025
- Sufficient lodging to support the federal mission of the RTI



### Next Generation Leadership Pilot Program – Military Pathways

- Establish a Secondary Education Pilot Program
- Request – 2 x FTEs = \$518,612
- Demand for this program has been expressed by multiple high school administrators
- Coordinating w/ DPI and Center for Distance Education is on-going
- Expose more youth to military values, culture, and history to build strong community leaders



### Williston Readiness Center Design Funds

- Design a facility for Alpha Battery who relocated to Williston in 2023
- Request – \$2.5M for design
- Future state request for construction, estimated \$29 Million
- Federal Construction would be 2040 at earliest
- Once built operations and maintenance is 50/50 cost share
- Positioned to request funds and construct a purpose-built facility on land designated by the city



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## NDNG FTEs

Request	Funding Source	Resource	Desired Outcomes
Dickinson Readiness Center Custodial Supervisor	50/50 State/Fed Cost Share	\$193,192	Appropriate facility staff to support the a newly constructed readiness center.
ND Veterans Cemetery Admin (1 New FTE)	Special Funds (NDVC Foundation)	\$191,871	Achieve consistency in a critical position to maintain operations.
ND Veterans Cemetery Facility (1 New FTE)	Special Funds (NDVC Foundation)	\$194,611	Convert position from temp to permanent to decrease turnover and increase productivity.
Dickinson Readiness Center FTEs	50/50 State/Fed Cost Share	\$373,234	Continuation of Funding for the 2 FTEs authorized last session
Camp Grafton Training Center Fitness Facility	50/50 State/Fed Cost Share	\$168,768	Continuation of Funding for the FTE authorized last session
Construction Coordinator	100% Federal Funding	\$273,604	Appropriate staffing will create efficiency of future construction projects.

## NDNG POLICY

Initiative	Action Items	Resources	Desired Outcomes
State Active-Duty Authority	Increase death gratuity from \$15K to \$100K to match federal benefit  Expand protections for Service Members (SMs)	\$100K (funded from the disaster relief fund)  Authority	Parity with federal benefits  SMs reimbursed for treatment/care required after SAD mission ends
"Defend the Guard" Legislation	Educate and inform legislators on negative impacts to the NG if this legislation passes	Opposition	"Defend the Guard" Legislation not adopted in North Dakota

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