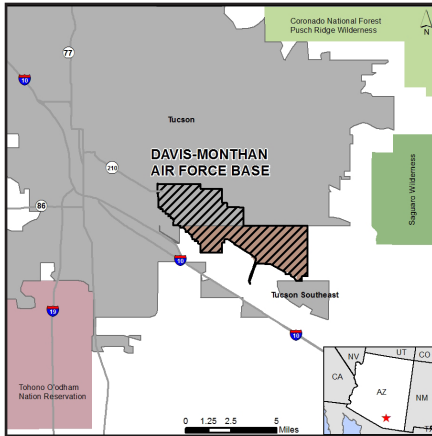




## DAVIS MONTHAN AIR FORCE BASE

**Davis-Monthan AFB (DMAFB), located in Tucson, Arizona, is home to the 12<sup>th</sup> Air Force, the 214<sup>th</sup> Reconnaissance Group, and the 309<sup>th</sup> Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Group (AMARG), better known as the “Boneyard”, which manages more than 4,500 aircraft that have been sent for storage or retrofitting.**



AMARG and other missions leverage the base's 13,645-foot runway—one of the longest in the Air Force—which can accommodate any aircraft in the Air Force inventory. DMAFB also hosts the Arizona Air National Guard, which stands alert 24/7 to ensure aerospace control over a 225,000-square mile area that reaches across six states.

Development on DMAFB's northwestern boundary has already forced 90% of all approaches and departures to the southeast, and approximately 20% of sorties with live munitions are impeded

by wind shifts that would normally dictate takeoff to the northwest. Areas to the installation's southeast are developing quickly enough that five to ten more years of development pressures may severely impact DMAFB flying missions, including night and weekend flying missions. DMAFB is working with state, county, city, and local stakeholders through programs such as the Air Force Community Partnership to reduce, and ultimately eliminate, encroachment. Partner efforts to develop and adopt restrictive land-use and development compatibility policies and acquire restrictive-use easements are ongoing.

Pima County is working with DMAFB to find compatible uses and solutions for undeveloped lands surrounding the base that will also maintain natural desert areas, grasslands, and the natural habitat. Acquiring restrictive-use easements will help ensure the preservation of ranching heritage. These combined efforts will also benefit local residents through reduced noise levels and reduced safety concerns.

## BENEFIT SUMMARY

### COMMUNITY

- Supports new and existing regional planning objectives
- Preserves habitat

### MILITARY

- Preserves aviation maneuver and night flying training that produce significant noise or require minimal light pollution
- Supports multiple Service missions
- Preserves training and operations for various tenant units
- Protects the 309<sup>th</sup> Aerospace Maintenance and Regeneration Group's unique mission
- Ensures that existing compatible areas remain compatible
- Ensures the ability to conduct operations and training activities

## FAST FACTS FROM FY 2018 THROUGH FY 2024 | Project Status: In Progress

Authority	Transactions	Acres Protected, Managed, or Improved	Total Funds Expended
10 U.S.C. § 2684a	163	633	\$15.5 million

Subtotals may not sum to combined totals due to rounding



*An A-10C Thunderbolt II conducts close-air support training (top). An F-22 Raptor performs a heritage flight during the Heritage Flight Training Course at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Arizona. The program was established in 1997, allowing certified civilian pilots and Air Force pilots to perform flights together. (bottom).*

## KEY PARTNERS

- Pima County
- City of Tucson

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