

2ND INFANTRY BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM, 34TH INFANTRY DIVISION

 OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE

IN 2025, THE IOWA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD'S BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM WILL DEPLOY SOLDIERS TO THE MIDDLE EAST IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE (OIR)

- THE 2/34TH IBCT HAS ENTERED ITS FINAL YEAR IN A 5-YEAR READINESS CYCLE AND UPON COMPLETION, OVER 1,800 SOLDIERS OF THE 2ND BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM ARE SCHEDULED TO DEPLOY TO THE MIDDLE EAST IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE.
- THE PROFESSIONAL AND TRAINED SOLDIERS OF THE 2/34TH IBCT'S WILL CONTRIBUTE TO OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE BY JOINING COALITION FORCES TO PROVIDE SECURITY, SUPPORT PARTNER NATIONS, AND ASSIST EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN STABILITY IN THE REGION.
- OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE (OIR) IS A ROTATIONAL DEPLOYMENT TO THE MIDDLE EAST THAT HAS BEEN ONGOING FOR THE PAST 8 YEARS, WITH DIFFERENT NATIONAL GUARD STATES AND ACTIVE DUTY UNITS CONSISTENTLY TAKING PART IN FULFILLING THE MISSION.
- A MAJORITY OF OUR SOLDIERS WILL REMAIN IN IOWA, CONTINUING TO TRAIN WHILE ENSURING CONTINUITY OF BOTH STATE AND FEDERAL MISSIONS.

A MESSAGE FROM RYDER 6

Over the past several years the Ryder Brigade has maintained an aggressive operational tempo, with extensive training requirements. These challenges have been shouldered not only by our Soldiers, but also our Families, Communities, and Employers. However, this is a part of the process of being one of the most respected units in the Army. In fact, we continue to be recognized as the best the Army National Guard has to offer. For this reason, we continue to be selected for difficult and critical assignments.

I am proud to lead the Ryder Brigade into this critical mission and continue to be amazed by the outstanding support we receive from our State, Families, and Communities. We recognize this time is busy and can be stressful, but I have no doubt that we will accomplish the mission, return as a team, and successfully reunite with our families.

See you all "On the Objective!"

Colonel Eric Soultis
2/34th IBCT Commander
"RYDER 6"

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR INFORMATION RELATING TO
FAMILIES, EMPLOYERS, EDUCATORS, AND MORE



OPERATION INHERENT
RESOLVE HOMEPAGE



STAY CONNECTED WITH
THE IOWA REDBULLS

QUESTIONS?

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THINGS TO KNOW



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RESOURCES

SOLDIER/FAMILY SUPPORT DEPARTMENTS

THE NEEDS AND RESOURCES OF SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES ARE WIDE-RANGING. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF DEPARTMENTS THAT SPECIALIZE AND ARE DEDICATED TO MEETING THOSE NEEDS. LISTED ARE VARIOUS RESOURCES TO CONSIDER WHEN YOU OR YOUR SOLDIER IS PREPARING TO DEPLOY. FOLLOW THE QR CODE IN THE CENTER OF THIS PAGE TO CONTACT EACH DEPARTMENT DIRECTLY.

DEERS/ID CARDS

- UPDATE OR REPLACE MILITARY ID'S AND DEPENDENT ID'S BEFORE MOBILIZATION.
- VERIFY TRICARE, DEPENDENTS, AND BENEFITS STATUS.
- ENSURE DEERS INFO IS CURRENT TO PREVENT ISSUES.

LEGAL

- UPDATE YOUR WILL.
- ESTABLISH POWERS OF ATTORNEY FOR HEALTHCARE AND FINANCIAL DECISIONS.
- PLAN FOR YOUR FAMILY'S CARE, INCLUDING GUARDIANSHIP AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR MINOR CHILDREN.

EDUCATION

- GUIDANCE ON GI BILL, FEDERAL TUITION ASSISTANCE, AND CREDENTIALING ASSISTANCE.
- INFO ON DEFERRING STUDENT LOANS AND EDUCATION BENEFITS.
- SUPPORT FOR CAREER PLANNING AND SCHOOL SELECTION.

WARRIOR FAMILY READINESS

- PERSONAL FINANCIAL COUNSELING
- CHILD AND YOUTH PROGRAMMING FOR SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN
- MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

EMPLOYER SUPPORT OF THE GUARD AND RESERVE

- EDUCATE SOLDIERS ON JOB PROTECTIONS DURING MOBILIZATION.
- ASSIST WITH EMPLOYER COMMUNICATION AND MEDIATION.
- RESOLVE CIVILIAN JOB CONFLICTS RELATED TO SERVICE.

**SCAN THE QR CODE TO
CONTACT THESE RESOURCES!**



UNIT POINTS OF CONTACT

EVERY UNIT HAS A REPRESENTATIVE AT THEIR HOME STATION ARMORY IN IOWA CHARGED WITH SUPPORTING DEPLOYED SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES OF DEPLOYED SOLDIERS. PLEASE CONTACT THEM WITH ANY ISSUES REGARDING YOUR DEPLOYED SOLDIER. THEIR CONTACT INFORMATION IS BELOW:

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