



Fact Sheet: San Antonio BRAC Construction Program

Overview

- Affected installations - Fort Sam Houston, including Camp Bullis, Lackland Air Force Base, and Randolph Air Force Base.
- Total cost - BRAC and related military construction projected to exceed \$2 billion across five fiscal years (FY 07 – FY 11).
- Projects - building and renovating 78 major facilities, which amount to more than 6 million square feet of space (roughly equivalent to 30 Wal-Mart Super Centers); work scheduled through the completion deadline of September 2011.
- Construction Contracts - awards in Fiscal Year 2008 totaled \$1.2 billion; as much as \$700 million projected by the end of FY 2009; an additional 18 projects for more than \$300 million anticipated in FY 2010; historically, expenditures for military construction in San Antonio have averaged between \$65 and \$100 million per year.
- Personnel movement - as many as 12,000 additional military and federal civil service positions expected at Fort Sam Houston.

Construction Activity

- The program has reached the projected height of its construction activity (September – October 2009). With more than 50 projects underway, the overlap between projects nearing completion and projects still under construction creates the peak of activity.
- This milestone means the number of construction workers and the amount of equipment involved will not be greater at any other time between now and the deadline to complete BRAC projects in September of 2011.
- Roughly 2,200 construction workers are spread across the various project sites. The arrivals and departures of the workforce and the ongoing delivery of supplies and materials amount to an estimated 4,000 vehicle trips per day at Fort Sam Houston.



- 2,200 laborers per day at the peak of construction
 - Will fill up 50 school busses (45- passenger yellow school busses).
 - Is enough people to fill 16 commercial jetliners (Boeing 737s).
- As much as 65% of Fort Sam Houston is behind a construction fence as part of either construction or renovation projects. That's almost 2,000 of the post's 3,000 acres. (These figures include roads and parking lots being resurfaced or repaired.)

Economic Impact

According to figures in a study commissioned by the City of San Antonio and posted on the Web page of the city's Office of Military Affairs:

- BRAC construction and related activities are projected to generate an overall economic impact of \$8.3 billion.
- The additional sales tax revenue generated by BRAC construction through 2011 is estimated to be \$10.4 million.
- After construction ends, the increased level of activity on Fort Sam Houston as a result of BRAC is expected to produce an additional \$4.9 million per year in sales tax revenue.
- BRAC is projected to support the equivalent of 90,000 direct and spin-off jobs.
 - This figure includes almost 62,000 jobs tied to construction activities (including suppliers, vendors, other supporting businesses), as well as roughly 28,000 jobs that would continue to be supported after construction ends by the increased level of military activity in the city.

Largest Projects

- San Antonio Military Medical Center (SAMMC) - Brooke Army Medical Center (BAMC) is being expanded (760,000 square feet) and renovated (288,000 square feet) to absorb military inpatient



care and related specialty care services currently provided at Wilford Hall Medical Center. A new facility will replace Wilford Hall and be focused solely on outpatient care. Operations of BAMC and Wilford Hall will be combined, so that they function as the north and south campuses of a single complex under the SAMMC name.

- Medical Education and Training Campus (METC) – This campus will include 1.9 million square feet of facilities on Fort Sam Houston that will integrate the enlisted medical training programs (medics, corpsmen, radiology technicians, biomedical equipment specialists, etc.) of all military service branches. METC will be the largest training institution of its kind in the world with an average daily student enrollment of 9,000. The facilities include dorms, classrooms, labs, a dining facility, and a physical fitness center.

METC Dining Facility

- The 80,000 square foot dining hall is the largest in the U.S. Army's entire inventory and one of the largest in the entire Department of Defense.
- The facility has seating capacity for 2016 individuals at one time. It is designed to feed as many as 4,800 personnel in a single, 1.5 hour dining period by rotating groups of several hundred through the facility in succession.
- The freezer and refrigeration section of the facility is larger than the average home in San Antonio: 3,075 square feet.

Major Projects Completed, or Completed Within the Next Year

- The Medical Education and Training Campus
 - Headquarters/Administration building is finished.
 - METC Dining Facility is slated for completion before the end of this year.
 - METC Dorms 1 and 2 and Medical Instructional Facilities (MIFs) 1, 2, 3, and 5 are scheduled for completion by late spring and summer of next year.



- Research Facilities
 - Battlefield Health and Trauma Research Lab is slated for completion in the spring of next year.
 - A bridge built to span Salado Creek is finished. It will provide a more direct connection between the future Tri-Service Research Lab and the rest of Fort Sam Houston.
- Camp Bullis facilities
 - The Armed Forces Reserve Center is finished.
 - Camp Bullis Health Clinic is scheduled for completion in November of this year.
- San Antonio Military Medical Center (BAMC)
 - The Central Energy Plant is slated for completion in September of next year.
 - The Fort Sam Houston Primary Care Clinic is scheduled to be finished late in the spring of next year. This clinic will provide routine health care services that will be displaced when BAMC is reconfigured as SAMMC North.
- Fort Sam Houston facilities
 - A collection of historic structures are being renovated as office space to accommodate the relocation of the Army's Installation Management Command, which is expected to bring between 2,000 and 3,000 positions.
 - Renovations to Buildings 2001 and 2007 are finished.
 - Building 2000 is slated for occupancy this fall.
 - The renovation of Building 2265 is slated for completion in August of next year.