

# Stimulus money = improvements

Did you know Fort Sill received roughly \$59.5 million of President Obama's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to fund repair/sustainment projects. Most of us will recognize this program as "stimulus money" that has been all over the news in all of the newspapers.

### What it means

We have 30 separate projects to repair and modernize facilities being funded with stimulus dollars. The Army Corps of Engineers is work-



## Did you know?

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Fort Sill Garrison commander

ing 14 of our projects while Fort Sill's engineers and contracting office are working the other 16.

The projects run the range from \$3,000 to install electric outlets in Building 3281 all the way up to \$11 million to renovate Snow Hall.

The Fort Sill Contracting

Office has awarded more than \$2.6 million in contracts with roughly \$2.9 million remaining to award. Many of these projects are currently under way such as the repairs to Tower Two Road, lighting replacement in Building 840 and roof replacement

on Buildings 460 and 1605 to name a few.

The Corp of Engineers is handling \$54 million of the ARRA dollars awarded to Fort Sill to fund projects such as repairing Lake George Dam and several electrical projects including energy modernizations and

renovations to Snow Hall and the second floor of Knox Hall.

### Any finished?

We've replaced all exterior doors on Buildings 2414 and 2415 and installed emergency lighting in the stairwells of Knox Hall. We are very close to completing repairs to Tower Two Road from 4 Mile Crossing to Mow-Way Road and we've put a new roof on Building 463.

### Other contracts

Fort Sill, along with the Corps of Engineers, esti-

mates all of the ARRA projects will be awarded by the end of this month. We anticipate that Snow Hall renovations will take the longest to complete. All of our stimulus projects should be complete by September 2012.

To send questions or comments to me please e-mail fscms@conus.army.mil, or you can mail your comments to Commander, USAG-Fort Sill, 462 Hamilton Road, Suite 120, Fort Sill, OK 73503. Thanks and have a great Fort Sill day.

## Sill shorts

### Limited ID services

The Fort Sill ID Card Facility will have limited services Monday to Wednesday due to systems upgrades. Emergencies will be handled on a case-by-case basis. For more information, call 442-6679.

### Green-to-gold

The next Green-to-Gold briefing is Monday at 1:30 p.m. at the Truman Education Center. For more information, call 581-2344.

### Recycle orientation

The public is invited to a recycle orientation the third Tuesday at 10

a.m. at the recycle center conference room, 3330 Sheridan Road. For more information, call 442-5712.

### Tax assistance

The Fort Sill Income Tax Assistance Center is open Mondays through Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Soldier and Family Service Center at 4700 Mow-Way Road, Suite 400. Active-duty military, retirees and family members may use the ITAC. The tax center accepts appointments; and takes walk-ins Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Be sure to bring W-2s and valid IDs. The ITAC is open

through April 15, however, tax help is available year-round through the legal assistance office. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 442-3526/1337/6754/6445.

### Awards awarded

The Fort Sill Garrison Award and recognition ceremony is Friday at 2:30 p.m. at the RSOC. The ceremony will honor the third and fourth quarter and the 2009 yearly winners.

### PSC scholarships

Patriot Spouses Club scholarship applications are available at <http://www.fortsillpsc.org>. Children

and spouses of U.S. servicemembers assigned or attached to Fort Sill are eligible. Applications must be postmarked by March 30.

### Founder's Day

The Lawton-Fort Sill West Point Founder's Day celebration is March 12 at 5:30 p.m. at the Patriot Club. All U.S. Military Academy graduates, appointed candidates and their families are invited. Dinner will be served. The guest speaker is Brig. Gen. Patrick Finnegan, USMA dean. For more information, or for tickets, call 442-0986.

### Personnel

The Military Personnel

Division is open all training holidays and closed all federal holidays. Office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for the ID card section which is by appointment only Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Thursday is walk-in day. For more information, call 442-5010.

### Dental change

Allen Dental Clinic sick call is 7:30-9 a.m., walk-in exams and limited appointment scheduling will be in effect through Feb. 26 due to a move to a transitional building located behind the current Allen Dental Clinic.

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