Walmart Foundation Community Grant Field Comments

Organization Mission

Civil Air Patrol (CAP) is a Congressionally chartered, federally supported non-profit corporation that serves as the official civilian auxiliary of the United States Air Force (USAF).[5] CAP is a volunteer organization with an aviation-minded membership that includes people from all backgrounds, lifestyles, and occupations. It performs three congressionally assigned key missions: emergency services, which includes search and rescue (by air and ground) and disaster relief operations; aerospace education for youth and the general public; and cadet programs for teenage youth. In addition, CAP has recently been tasked with homeland security and courier service missions. CAP also performs non-auxiliary missions for various governmental and private agencies, such as local law enforcement and the American Red Cross.

Current Activity

Emergency Services - CAP works closely with the NC Department of Emergency Services to provide food, water, shelter in the event of a natural disaster. We are also called out for search and rescue missions. The other aspect our mission is cadet programs, building leadership skills in the youth of America and aerospace education.

Program Description

The Civil Air Patrol focuses on STEM programs to make teens ready to excel at institutions of higher education, enabling them to enter the STEM workforce or STEM graduate school following completion of their education. In addition we focus on developing leadership skills which will meet the future need of America.

Fund Use

Educational classes and programs focusing on science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

Program Relevancy

Relevant in the 21st century global economy to make America competitive