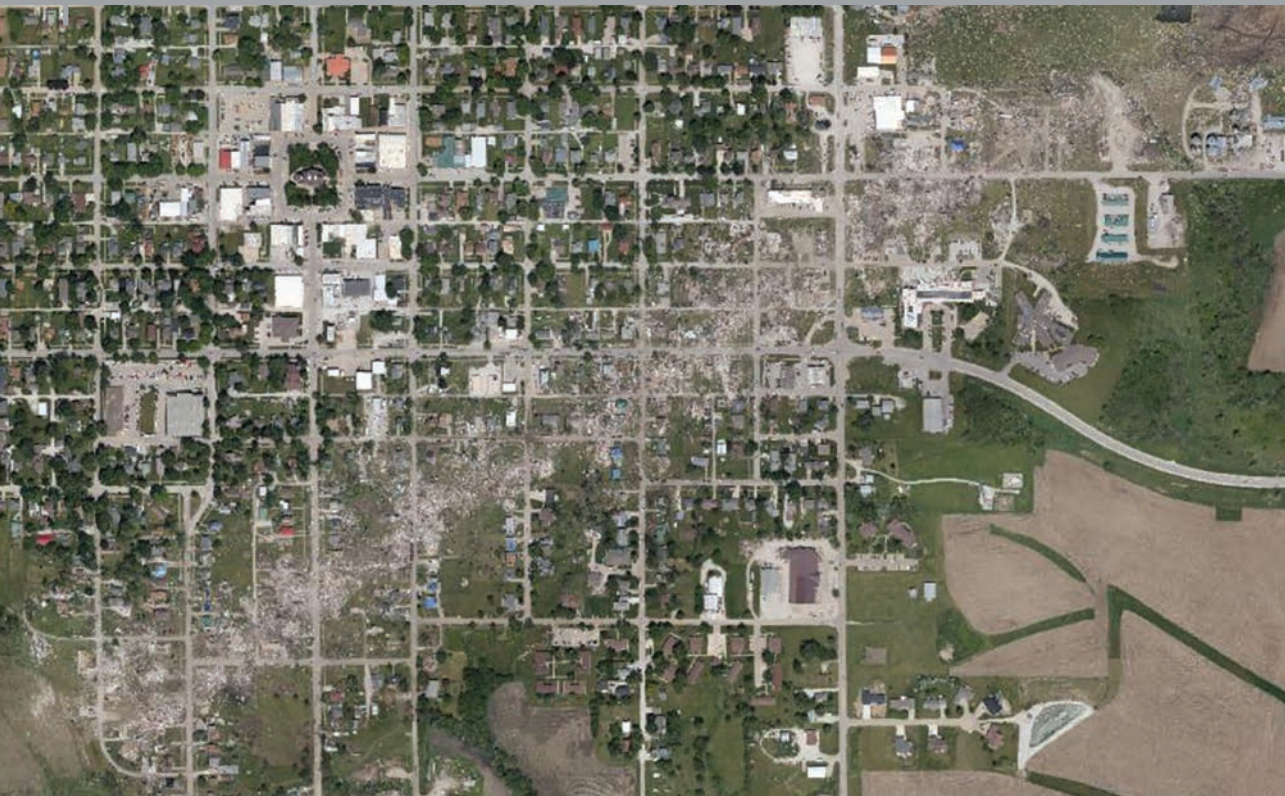


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A Civil Air Patrol aircrew provided this orthographic image of tornado damage in Greenfield.

A Year of Service for Iowa Wing in 2024

The Iowa Wing demonstrated exceptional dedication and service in 2024, assisting the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Environmental Protection Agency in responding to three significant natural disasters.

In the first half of the year, wing members provided crucial aerial photography and reconnaissance during two deadly tornado outbreaks. The first occurred in April, primarily affecting Iowa's western half, with cities such as Cherokee, Storm Lake, Minden, and Harla suffering severe damage. The second, a devastating F4 tornado, struck Greenfield on May 21, resulting in five fatalities and 35 injuries.

Iowa Wing members were again called into action to assist with a historic flooding disaster in late June and early July. Over three days, widespread areas of

northwest Iowa received 5-10 inches of rain, with a few receiving as much as 20 inches. Cities like Spencer, Okoboji, Hawarden, and Storm Lake received extensive damage. During the subsequent two-week period, 30 wing members participated in a FEMA-requested aerial photo mission, conducting 31 flights totaling 80 hours. They also flew EPA investigators over flooded areas to assess any possible impact from unsecured hazardous materials.

With a dedicated team of 175 cadets and 180 adult members, the Iowa Wing's unwavering commitment and rapid response highlights its vital role in disaster relief and recovery efforts. By providing essential services and fostering community spirit, the wing not only aids immediate response but also lays the groundwork for long-term recovery and resilience.

STATS 2024

IOWA WING

Volunteer Members

178 adult members
169 cadets
35 aircrew personnel
235 emergency responders

Squadrons

9 locations statewide

Aircraft

6 single-engine

Vehicles

16 vehicles

Interoperable Communications

11 VHF/FM repeaters
148 VHF/FM stations
25 HF stations

Missions

1 search and rescue mission
1 find*

** Includes find credited with national team support*

3 disaster relief missions

5 CAP, Air Force ROTC, and Junior ROTC cadet orientation flight missions

4 other Air Force support missions

27 training missions

6 other state support missions

Significant Events Supported in Fiscal Year 2024

FEMA tornado and flood responses

Cadet Flying

208 CAP, Air Force ROTC, and Junior ROTC cadet orientation flights

Total Hours Flown

868

Financial

\$1,260,443 value of wing's volunteer hours

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