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From: Barcomb, Jeremy L. PFC
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To: Sunset Advisory Commission
Subject: Re: Sunset Review of the Texas Military Department

To whom it may concern,

In regards to the Sunset Review of the TMD- issue three.

I agree with the commission's recommended actions.

I would also be happy to see the resources that the TXSG does have leveraged more efficiently. Without sounding like a nagging 21 year old the average age of a TXSG member is around 45-50 and our technology isn't being used effectively, if at all. (i.e. our records management system is extremely under utilized, and our O365 tools are not used as effectively as they could be). The obvious answer would be training at the local level however I believe it would be better received as a "top-down" directive. I think all units should do a self inventory to evaluate where all members could be better utilized.

I would like to champion the idea of adding additional support staff. It is extremely frustrating to work in the environment we face, paperwork moves at a snail's pace. This holds up promotions and awards which are some of the only things that can be given to the members of the guard as recognition for a job well done. However, when a handful of people are processing everything for the entire force it is understandable that it moves slowly.

Another idea I would love to see is more "town hall" style events. SgtMaj Becknel utilized one of these style events several months ago and it was a large moral booster for members of my unit. Just like with any other organization I feel that communication doesn't always trickle down to the lowest level effectively; these events help with that.

If anyone on the commission has any further questions or would like clarification on anything I would be more than happy to try and help.

VR,
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From: Janet Wood <Janet.Wood@sunset.texas.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 19, 2018 3:07:06 PM
To: Sunset Advisory Commission
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April 19, 2018

Dear Recipient:

The Sunset Staff Report on the Texas Military Department, as submitted to the Sunset Advisory Commission, is available for your review on our website, www.sunset.texas.gov. To request a hard copy of this report, contact our office. The Sunset Commission has scheduled a public hearing on this report for May 23 and 24, 2018. At that time public testimony will be taken. An agenda specifying the meeting time, location, and the order of agencies scheduled for discussion will be available on our website as soon as the meeting has been posted. You may follow announcements by the Sunset Commission on social media through information posted on our website.

If you would like to comment on this report, the commission would appreciate hearing from you. Your feedback would be most helpful if it includes the following elements:

- Your position in support or opposition for each recommendation in the staff report
- A clear, brief statement of suggested changes, if any, to these recommendations
- A clear, concise summary of any new issues or recommendations not included in the report that you would like the Sunset Commission to consider

If you submit your response by Thursday, May 10, we can provide this information to the Sunset Commission members before the public hearing. Comments received in response to a staff report are considered public records, and will be posted on the Sunset website and released to the public upon request.

Thank you for your assistance with the Sunset review process.
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