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MCAS Yuma Wins Small Unit of the Year Award

MARINE CORPS AIR STATION YUMA, Arizona (April 12, 2022) –Marine Corps Air Station Yuma received the Fiscal Year 2021 Marine Corps Installations Small Unit of the Year Award during an awards ceremony held in Arlington, Virginia on April 7, 2022.

This competitive award recognizes the outstanding performance of installations and individuals across the Department of Defense for their mission accomplishment successes, as well as the quality of work and support to tenant commands aboard their respective installations.

"We take great pride in our contributions to the Service's warfighting readiness levels as the premier aviation training facility and range complex for the Marine Corps," said Col. Chuck Dudik, commanding officer, MCAS Yuma. "We take equal pride in the manner in which we strive to support our Marines, Sailors, civilian employees, and their families."

The award was accepted on behalf of the installation by Maj. Orlando Higgins, Provost Marshal, MCAS Yuma, at the Installations and Logistics Excellence Awards Dinner.

In the summary of accomplishments achieved by MCAS Yuma over the past year, it was noted that, "Yuma made significant contributions to the Service's warfighting readiness and combat power generation in FY21 through skilled management of its vast training ranges, unmatched support to its diverse tenants, and successful hosting of two Weapons and Tactics Instructor (WTI) Courses, multiple Service-Level Training Exercise (SLTE) events, and myriad unit deployments for training (DFT) during the COVID-19 pandemic."

"This is an honor and a distinction that everyone who works and lives on MCAS Yuma shares together," said Dudik.

For more information about the Commander in Chief's Annual Award for Installation Excellence and MCAS Yuma's accomplishments, visit <u>https://www.acq.osd.mil/EIE/</u>.

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