

U.S. ARMY BRAND GUIDELINES

About this document

This document deconstructs and defines the system of visual elements that together make the U.S. Army brand unique and instantly recognizable.

In this guide, we show how to use our new visual identity and all its supporting elements. We explain why these elements serve our brand positioning and how they help us tell a consistent and compelling story about the U.S. Army. Brand guidelines exist to inform design professionals as they create appealing and effective design solutions within a carefully considered system. When the guidelines are followed, the visual expressions of the U.S. Army will remain consistent and distinct.

The U.S. Army's scope and scale require a broad range of brand elements. Our brand identity system is grounded in fundamental principles that enable it to flex across various formats while remaining unified and cohesive.

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01 BRAND STRATEGY

Brand strategy

BRAND POSITIONING

Possibilities

The U.S. Army is literally a body of possibilities—from Active to Reserve to National Guard, there are more ways to improve one's life and the lives of millions in the U.S. Army than in any other institution on Earth.

BRAND PILLARS

Passion & Purpose

We are mission-driven and inspire our people to be the best they can be.

Community & Connection

We build meaningful connections and a community where everyone is welcomed, understood, and accepted.

02 IDENTITY PRINCIPLES

Identity principles

Clear Confident Human

The U.S. Army brand identity is built to authentically reflect, with every expression, the unique culture and distinguished history of the organization. It reflects the U.S. Army's optimism, pride, and rigorous attention to detail. And it is grounded in simple, durable, no-nonsense design principles that help to ensure it is executed with discipline, consistency, and excellence.

Identity principles

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Clear

Above all, U.S. Army communications must be direct and unambiguous.

In everything we create, we focus on eliminating all but the essential. Messages should be simple, crisp, and effective.

CONSIDERATIONS:

- ☐ Is the message direct and easy to understand?
- ☐ Does it achieve its purpose simply and economically?
- ☐ Does anything superfluous remain?

Confident

The Army's unwavering commitment to its mission and our nation manifests in all we create.

The U.S. Army expresses itself with certainty, conviction, and optimism. It demonstrates belief in positive outcomes and in its unique ability to enact them.

CONSIDERATIONS:

- ☐ Does the communication capture attention and inspire action?
- ☐ Is it purposeful and assured?
- ☐ Does it sound like a leader—secure and trustworthy?

Human

People are the heart of the U.S. Army, and the brand should reflect this truth.

We connect with our audiences in direct, personal ways. We strive to facilitate easy engagement and illuminate authentic purpose and passion whenever possible.

CONSIDERATIONS:

- ☐ Does the communication feel personal and relatable?
- ☐ Does it convey the importance of diversity and equity?

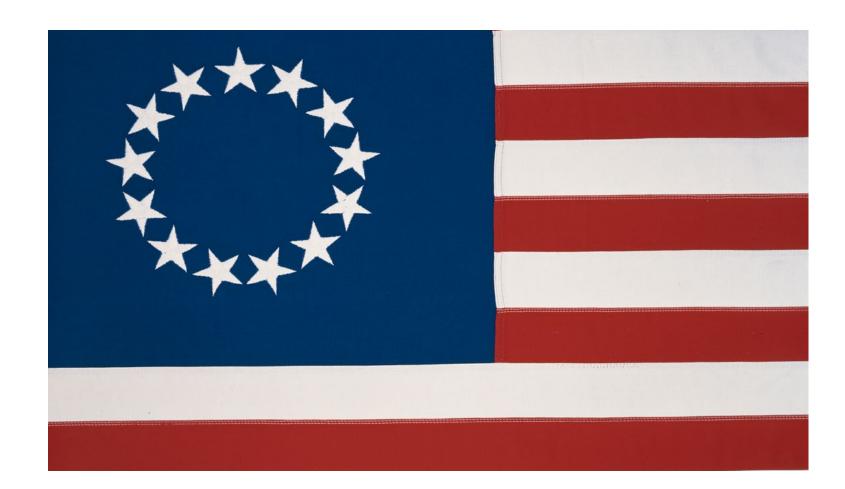
03 LOGO

Our logo is the simplest but most recognizable and ubiquitous symbol of our brand, a succinct graphic expression of who we are, what we do, and what we stand for. Its design necessarily influences the other elements of our identity system.

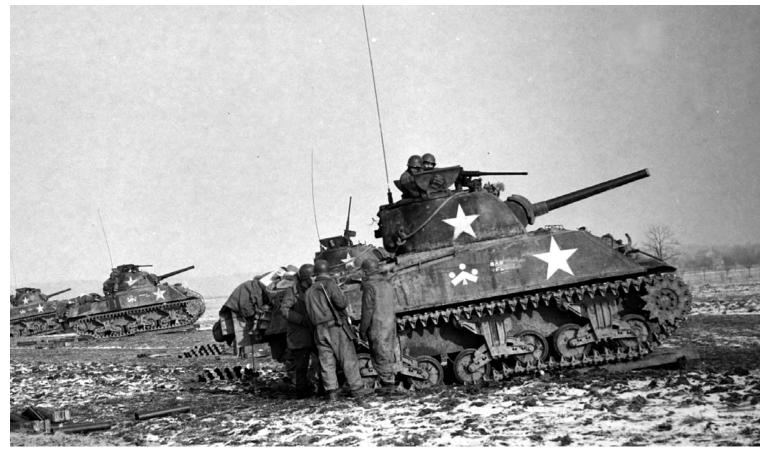
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The U.S. Army star

Stars, in their many shapes and styles, are among the most ubiquitous and enduring symbols in the human visual vocabulary. The five-pointed star is a particularly powerful symbol in American history and culture.

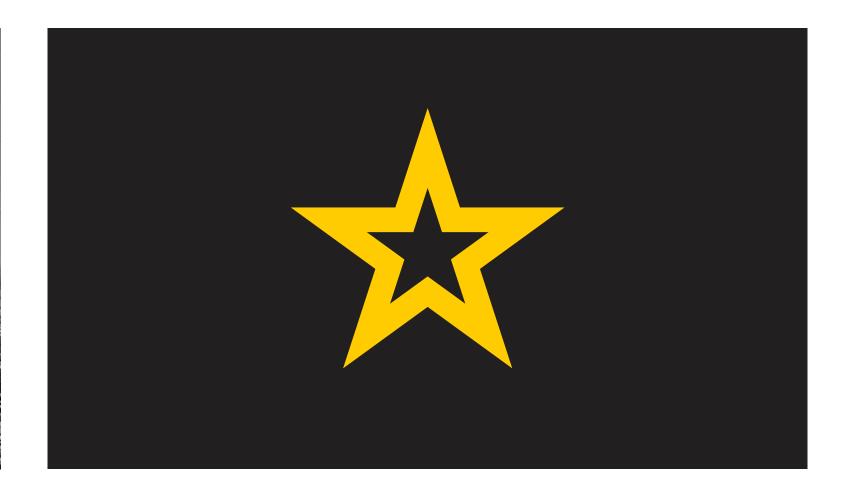


In the words of the continental congress, the 13 stars in the first U.S. flag represented "a new constellation." Over time, both the number and configuration of the stars have mirrored ideological and literal changes in America.



The Allied star first served a very practical role, in World War II, as a way of simply and clearly identifying U.S. and Allied vehicles.

It quickly became an immutable symbol of American values, strength, and determination—and of the U.S. Army's mission to protect them.



The U.S. Army star is an enduring brand beacon and an indelible link to its heritage and that of the country it serves. It is a timeless symbol that invokes the future and its limitless possibilities.

It is unmistakably Army.

The U.S. Army Logo

Our logo represents possibilities.
The possibility of great personal achievement within an organization of great performance and success.
To be a star among stars. To be all that you can be, arm in arm with all who serve.

It proudly elevates and amplifies the U.S. Army name and all it represents. It is clear, direct, and simple—yet a highly responsive and adaptable visual asset.



THE U.S. ARMY PRIMARY LOGO

Logo formats

The U.S. Army logo is available in both vertical and horizontal configurations.

The logo's size, position, spacing, and relationship to its surrounding elements have been carefully defined and should not be altered in any way other than as outlined in these guidelines.

Logo 1 is the horizontal configuration.
It is the preferred and primary lockup.
It should always be used unless format dictates otherwise.

Logo 2 (stacked) is the vertical configuration. It is the alternate and secondary lockup. It should be used only in cases where the primary lockup is not appropriate.



LOGO 1 HORIZONTAL



LOGO 2 VERTICAL

Logo centered placement

When positioning the logos in the center of a page or holding block, it is important that the logos be **optically centered**.

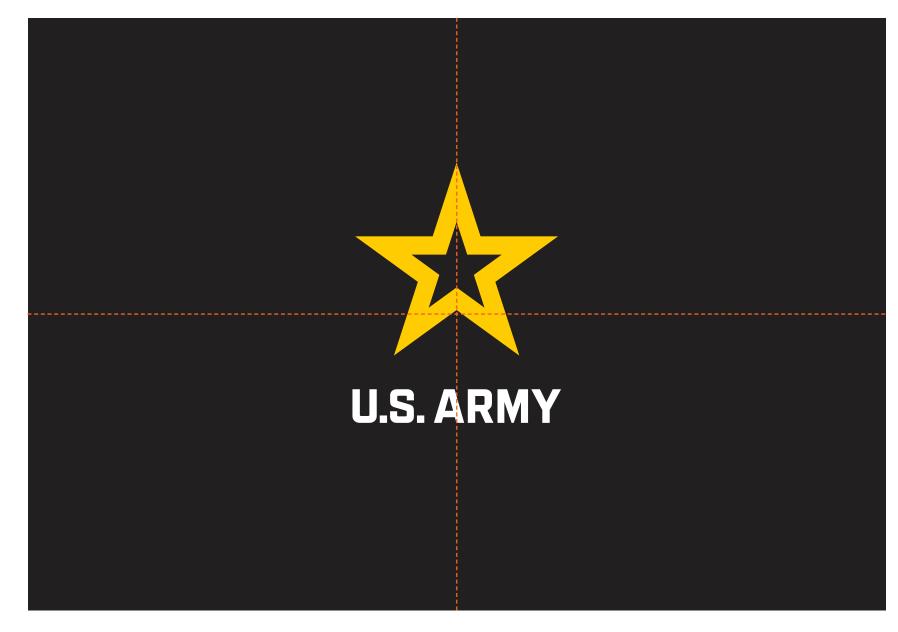
Features within the logos provide guides for optically centering in a consistent way.

To optically align Logo 1, align the middle point of the outer star along the horizontal center axis, as shown. Align the left side of the second period of the wordmark along the vertical center axis, as shown.

To optically align Logo 2, align the bottom point of the outer star along the horizontal and vertical center axis, as shown at right.



LOGO 1 HORIZONTAL



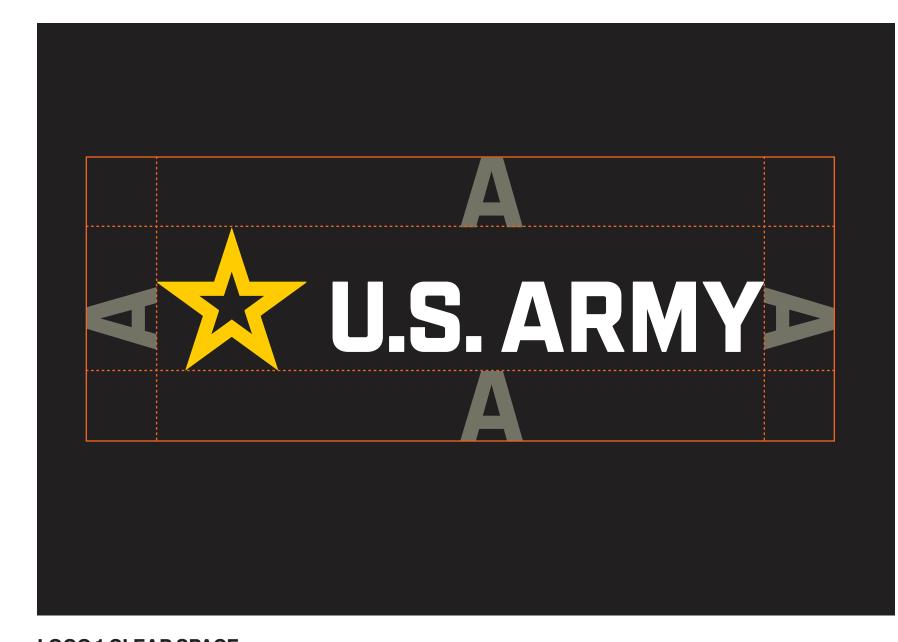
LOGO 2 VERTICAL

Logo clear space

Maintaining an appropriate amount of space around our logo ensures that it is clear and legible. Always follow this spacing requirement and keep other graphic elements and text out of this area.

Clear space around our logo is based on the height of the letter "A" in our wordmark. It helps ensure that the U.S. Army logo is easy to read and recognize.

Retain a minimum clear space of the "A" height around all sides of Logo 1 and two "A" heights around all sides of Logo 2, as shown.





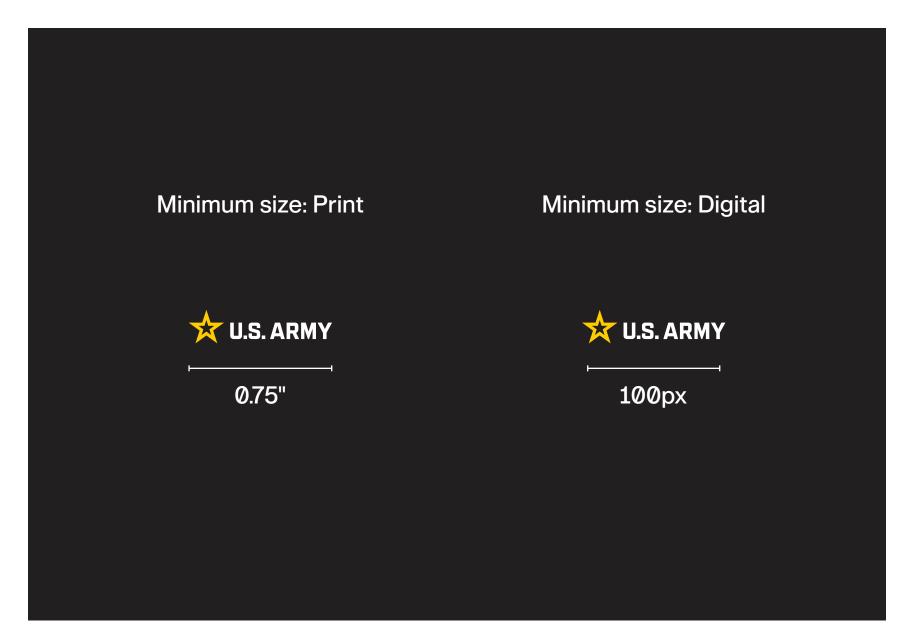


LOGO 2 CLEAR SPACE

Logo minimum size

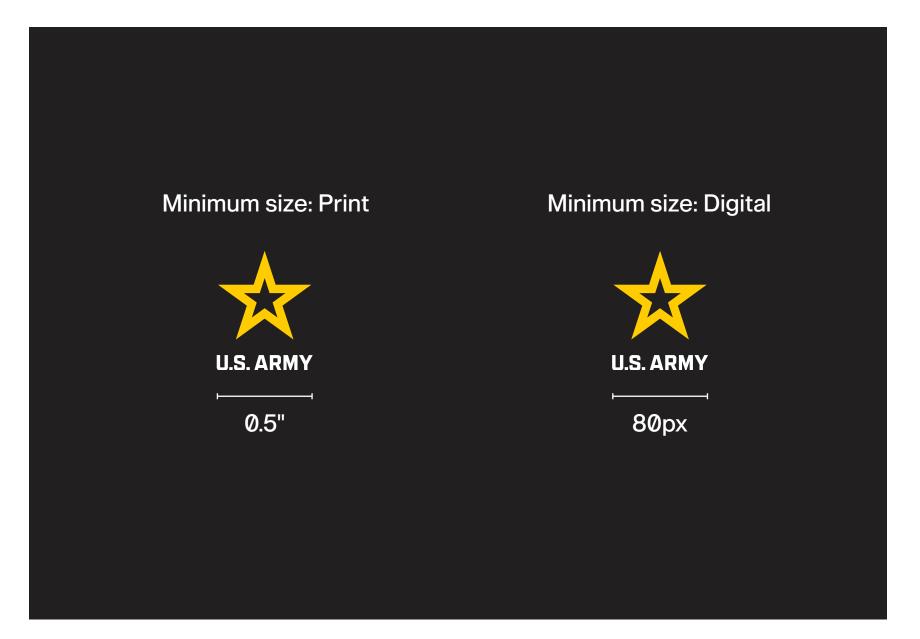
Avoid representing the primary logo or secondary logo smaller than the minimum size. Always be sure to present the logos in a way that is clear, legible, and impactful.

For some digital applications with restricted dimensions, such as web banners, the logo may need to be smaller than the suggested minimum size. In such special cases, retain as much legibility as possible.



LOGO 1 MINIMUM SIZE

MINIMUM SIZE FOR PRINT APPLICATIONS IS 0.75" WIDE.
MINIMUM SIZE FOR DIGITAL APPLICATIONS IS 100PX WIDE (24PX TALL).



LOGO 2 MINIMUM SIZE

MINIMUM SIZE FOR PRINT APPLICATIONS IS 0.5" WIDE.
MINIMUM SIZE FOR DIGITAL APPLICATIONS IS 80PX WIDE (100PX TALL).

Logo color usage

Multiple versions of the logo have been created for different uses.

The preferred versions of **Logo 1** and Logo 2 are the reverse version. Use the correct color logo for your needs. Do not re-color logos.



LOGO 1 PREFERRED REVERSE VERSION



LOGO 1 **POSITIVE VERSION**



LOGO 2 PREFERRED REVERSE VERSION





LOGO 2 **POSITIVE VERSION**



LOGO 1 **ARMY BLACK VERSION**



LOGO 2 **ARMY BLACK VERSION**

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Logo background usage

The preferred reverse logo, when placed on a solid color background will usually appear on the Army Black. It may also appear on Army Green.

When placed over an image, use the reverse logo. Be sure to guarantee that the logo maintains enough contrast with the background image to maintain clarity and legibility.

On a white background, use either the positive logo or black logo.

On an Army Gold background, use the black logo.

On any other official U.S. Army color background, use the black logo.



LOGO 1
REVERSE ON ARMY BLACK



LOGO 1
REVERSE ON ARMY GREEN



LOGO 1
REVERSE ON IMAGE



LOGO 1 POSITIVE ON WHITE



LOGO 1 BLACK ON ARMY GOLD



LOGO 1 BLACK ON TAN

Social media profile image

The U.S. Army star is, in most situations, always locked up with the wordmark. The one exception is as a social media profile image, where the U.S. Army star is prominently presented. In this form, the star acts as a powerful visual mark of the Army.

In the social media profile image, the U.S. Army star appears in Army Gold centered within a circle of Army Black and should retain a consistent distance from the edge of the circle.



SOCIAL MEDIA PROFILE IMAGE

Logo: things to avoid

The examples on this page illustrate some, but not all, potential misuses of the logo. These rules apply to all versions of the logo.



DON'T REARRANGE OR MODIFY SIZE OF LOGO ELEMENTS.



DON'T CHANGE COLOR OF THE SYMBOL OR WORDMARK.



DON'T ADD DROP SHADOWS OR OTHER EFFECTS.



DON'T CREATE VERSIONS OF THE LOGO WITH DIFFERENT STAR OR TYPEFACES.



DON'T USE THE LOGO AS A WATERMARK.



DON'T PLACE THE LOGO TOO CLOSE TO OTHER ELEMENTS, SUCH AS TEXT, IMAGES, OR THE EDGE OF THE PAGE.

04 COLOR

The U.S. Army color palette is a dynamic and distinctive signifier of the U.S. Army brand. Used to its best effect, it serves to unify all elements across our brand architecture.

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Primary color palette

The U.S. Army primary color palette is inspired by its namesake, *Gunpowder*, and has been extended with Army Green, a color synonymous with the authentic, realistic U.S. Army experience.

The primary color palette is the set of colors used for most communications.

Use the color values shown at right to build and produce designs that are consistent, repeatable, and on-brand in all media.



Secondary color palette

The secondary color palette is authentic to military history, finishes, and material.

It expands the set of colors for use in data visualization, digital design, and motion graphics.

Use the color values shown at right to build and produce designs that are consistent, repeatable, and on-brand in all media.



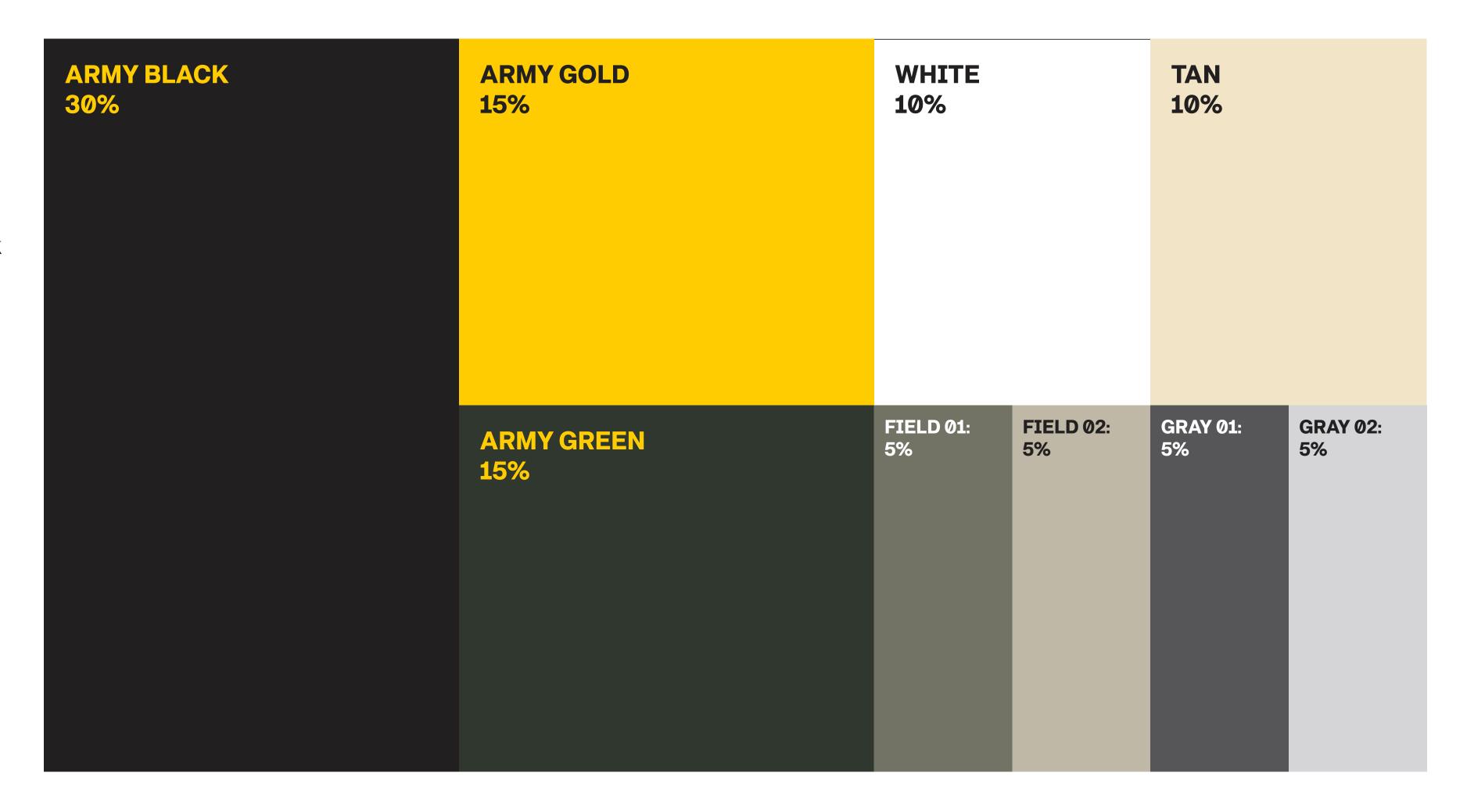
Color hierarchy

The spectrum on the right conveys the hierarchy of our color system for color usage.

Army Black is the U.S. Army's primary background color.

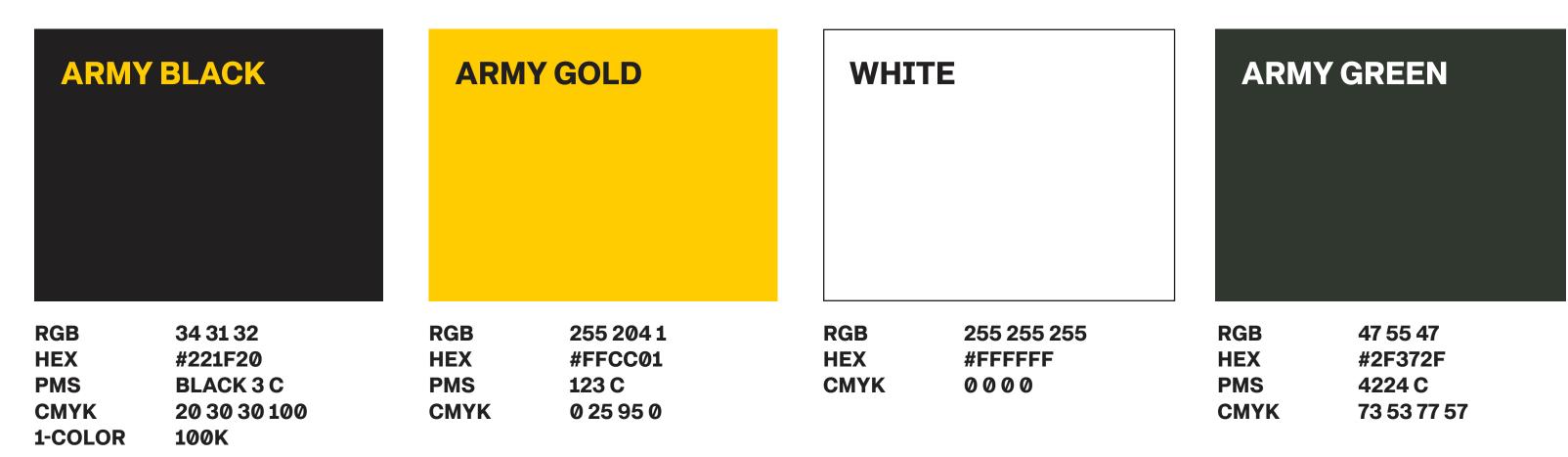
Army Gold typography on Army Black background is the U.S. Army's primary color combination, and it should be used for most enterprise applications.

Army Gold, Army Green, and Tan are used as background colors on ephemeral communications, such as campaigns, social media, etc. These bring variety and flexibility to the color system.



Color palette specifications

PRIMARY COLOR PALETTE



SECONDARY COLOR PALETTE



Color combinations

PRIMARY COLOR PALETTE



ONLY USE WHITE ON ARMY BLACK TOGETHER WITH ARMY GOLD.

ARMY BLACK

ARMY BLACK

ARMY GOLD WHITE

ON ARMY GREEN BACKGROUNDS USE EITHER ARMY GOLD OR WHITE.



ONLY USE WHITE ON IMAGES TOGETHER WITH ARMY GOLD.

MAKE SURE THE IMAGE HAS ENOUGH CONTRAST, OTHERWISE ADD A DARK GRADIENT OVERLAY WITH 10 -25% OPACITY.

SECONDARY COLOR PALETTE

ARMY BLACK

WHITE

ARMY BLACK WHITE

WHITE

ARMY BLACK

Special-use colors

Special-use colors are employed to highlight details, or when our color palette doesn't provide enough contrast.

This set is used in applications such as maps, data visualization, and presentations, among others.

Usage considerations:

- Special-use colors highlight data points or augment primary and secondary colors if they are lacking contrast
- Highlight Orange is used in line work when Army Gold lacks contrast, or, in reporting maps as an additional map-fill color
- Highlight Green is used to convey positive data points, progress, and status, e.g. +20%, completed, etc.
- Highlight Red is used to convey negative data points, movement, and status, e.g. -20%, drop, etc.

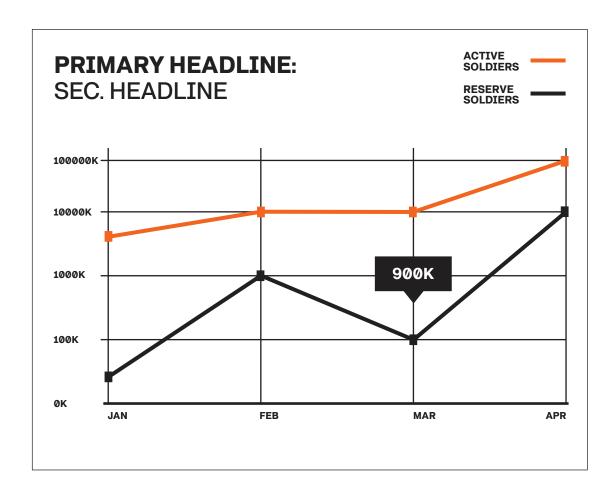
HIGHLIGHT ORANGE

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GREEN

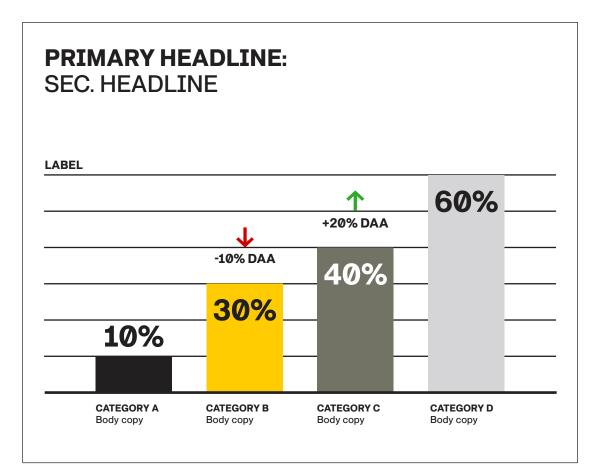
RGB 45 170 39
HEX #2DAA27
PMS 2257 C
CMYK 90 0 100 0

HIGHLIGHT

RGB 20700 HEX #CF0000 PMS 185 C CMYK 01001000



SPECIAL COLORS USAGE EXAMPLE



Color accessibility

A key principle of designing for the U.S. Army brand is considering visual accessibility. The WCAG (Web Content Accessibility Guidelines) provides a set of standards that helps us develop content that can be accessed by people challenged by vision, hearing, motor skill and cognitive ability.

An important way to make text elements accessible is by making sure that there is a sufficient amount of color contrast between the color of the text and that of the background.

WCAG identifies a recommended minimum contrast (Success Criterion 1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum) that varies, depending on the size of the type and whether it is bold or not.

- Text smaller than 18pt (regular) or 14pt (bold) must have at least a 4.5:1 contrast ratio with its background
- Text that is 18pt (regular) or 14pt (bold) or larger must have at least a 3:1 contrast ratio with its background

See the the appendix for a complete WCAG study of the Army brand colors.

ARMY GOLD ON ARMY BLACK
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT & BELOW 18 PT

ARMY BLACK ON ARMY GOLD
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT & BELOW 18 PT

ARMY GOLD ON ARMY GREEN
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT & BELOW 18 PT

ARMY BLACK ON TAN
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT & BELOW 18 PT

ARMY BLACK ON FIELD 02
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT & BELOW 18 PT

WHITE ON ARMY BLACK
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT & BELOW 18 PT

ARMY BLACK ON WHITE
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT & BELOW 18 PT

WHITE ON ARMY GREEN
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT & BELOW 18 PT

WHITE ON FIELD 01
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT & BELOW 18 PT

WHITE ON GRAY 01
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT & BELOW 18 PT

TAN ON ARMY BLACK
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT & BELOW 18 PT

TAN ON ARMY GREEN
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT & BELOW 18 PT

ARMY BLACK ON FIELD 01
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT ONLY

ARMY BLACK ON GRAY 02
APPROVED ABOVE 18 PT & BELOW 18 PT

Color: things to avoid

The examples on this page illustrate some, but not all, potential misuses of color.

HISTORY NEEDS SOMEONE TO MAKE IT.



DON'T USE COLOR COMBINATIONS THAT DON'T HAVE ENOUGH CONTRAST.

HISTORY NEEDS SOMEONE TO MAKE IT.

DON'T USE GRADIENTS.

HISTORY NEEDS SOMEONE TO MAKE IT.



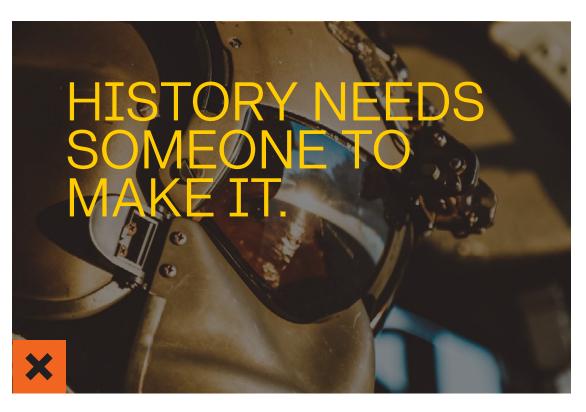
DON'T USE SUPPORTING COLORS AS YOUR MAIN COLOR PALETTE. THEY ARE ONLY INTENDED TO HIGHLIGHT SMALL DETAILS.



DON'T COMBINE MORE THAN TWO COLORS.

HISTORY NEEDS SOMEONE TO MAKE IT.

DON'T USE COLORS THAT ARE NOT PART OF THE U.S. ARMY COLOR PALETTE.



DON'T USE VERY DARK OVERLAYS ON TOP OF IMAGES

05 TYPOGRAPHY

Typography is one way we express our brand voice in visual terms. The nature of our typography influences not only what we say as an organization but also how we say it.

The U.S. Army's proprietary typeface is designed to meet our unique content needs and present information with clarity and cohesion across a broad range of expressions and media.

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G.I. font

Our primary typeface: G.I. (Government Issue) is a sans serif font specially designed for the U.S. Army and its communications needs. The usage of the G.I. font is crucial for brand consistency and recognition.

The name is inspired by the U.S. Army's people and unique culture. The character and spirit of the font align with the no-nonsense brand identity principles of being clear, confident, and human.

Designed to perform with clarity and consistency across all branded contexts, the font includes a number of customized elements and U.S. Army-specific features.

FIND YOUR STRENGTH IN OUR FORCE.

Show history how it's done.

FIND YOUR PATH >

Following World War II, the United States entered a standoff period with Soviet Russia, known as the Cold War, leading to conflicts in Korea and Vietnam. During the 1980's, the Army began to reorganize to focus on training and technology. By the end of the decade, the Pentagon introduced plans to reduce total Army strength. In 1989, the fall of the Berlin Wall signaled the end to the Cold War.

In 1991, American and allied forces responded to Saddam Hussein's invasion of Kuwait. The ground campaign lasted just 100 hours before a ceasefire was declared. After the attacks of September 11, 2001, American and coalition forces would again enter into a conflict in the Middle East against terrorist forces in Iraq and Afghanistan.

30%

CIVILIANS BELIEVE MOST U.S. ARMY JOBS ARE COMBAT ROLES **Electronic Warfare Specialist**

17E ->

EXAMPLES OF THE U.S. ARMY TYPOGRAPHY

G.I. font weights

G.I. font is available in three weights. The numeric value refers to the relative weight, on a scale from 0 to 1,000.

Weight options:

- G.I. 400 (Regular)
- G.I. 530 (Medium)
- G.I. 700 (Bold)

GI 400

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890&?!\$%;

G.I. 530

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890&?!\$%;

G.I. 700

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890&?!\$%;

G.I. font styles

Italics are part of our typographic system; they're used for quotations or for highlighting specific content in body copy. Avoid using italics in headlines or long paragraphs.

G.I. font is available in italic styles that match the three standard basis weights:

Weight options:

- G.I. 400 Italic (Regular Italic)
- G.I. 530 Italic (Medium Italic)
- G.I. 700 Italic (Bold Italic)

G.I. 400 ITALIC

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890&?!\$%;

G.I. 530 ITALIC

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890&?!\$%;

G.I. 700 ITALIC

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890&?!\$%;

G.I. font features

G.I. font includes custom-designed features across weights and styles to support the U.S. Army's unique communication needs.

- Slashed 0: designed to embody the utilitarian spirit of the U.S. Army, the primary 0 is easily identifiable and never to be confused with other letters such uppercase O. The G.I. font also features a conventional 0, which can be used when necessary.
- Unique characters: 1 and uppercase I were uniquely designed to increase legibility and prevent confusion with other characters such as lowercase I.
- Numerals: the height of the numerals has been aligned with the height of uppercase letters, in order to create a consistent typographic system for alphanumeric expressions.
- Enclosed numbers: an alternate numeral set is used to break down information into memorable steps and items.
- Arrows: used as directional elements to bring clarity, direction and call to action.
- "@" has been optimized for both lowercase and uppercase (@, @)
- Full Latin language support
- Endmark ②: signifies the end of a message, and is used at the end of the last sentence of a document. Use it only in longer-format body copy. This is the typographic equivalent of saying "over."



Language support

The G.I. font covers **120** languages, with extended Latin versions.

Afrikaans Gusii Shambala Malagasy Malay **Albanian** Hungarian Shona Slovak **Icelandic Maltese** Asu **Azerbaijani Slovenian** Ido Manx **Inari Sami** Māori Soga **B**asque Somali Meru **Bemba** Indonesian Bena Morisyen Interlingua **South Ndebele Nigerian Pidgin Bosnian Irish Southern Sotho** Catalan **Italian North Ndebele Spanish** Cebuano Sundanese **Northern Sami** Javanese Chiga **Northern Sotho Swahili** Jju Colognian Jola-Fonyi Norwegian Bokmål **Swati Cornish Norwegian Nynorsk Swedish** Kabuverdianu **Swiss German** Corsican Nyanja Kalaallisut Nyankole Croatian Kalenjin **Taita** Occitan Czech Kamba **Taroko Danish** Kikuyu Oromo Teso Kinyarwanda **Polish Dutch Tsonga Embu Tswana Kurdish Portuguese Turkish English** Latvian Romanian Romansh Turkmen **Esperanto** Lithuanian **Estonian** Rombo Lojban **Upper Sorbian** Rundi Vunjo **Faroese Low German Filipino Lower Sorbian** Rwa Walloon **Finnish** Walser Samburu Luo Sango French Luxembourgish Welsh Sangu Friulian Luyia **Western Frisian** Galician Wolof Sardinian Machame **Scottish Gaelic** Xhosa **Makhuwa-Meetto** Ganda

Sena

Zulu

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Makonde

German

Typographic hierarchy

We communicate more effectively when using a clear visual hierarchy.

The U.S. Army typographic hierarchy has been designed to provide guidance on how to organize content in a structured way.

Considerations:

- Primary headlines are used for introductory content: presentation cover or divider, document section start, poster, website, etc.
- Primary headlines are set in G.I. 400 in all caps or sentence case. Use ample negative space around them to provide prominence and visibility.
- Secondary and tertiary headlines provide the necessary supporting details related to the primary headline.
- Secondary and tertiary headlines are set in G.I. 530 in upper or sentence case. (In larger-application formats, G.I 400 may be used.)
- Underline headlines are used as subtitles and are always used in uppercase.
- Body copy is set in G.I 530, sentence case.
- Alignment is always flush left.

EYEBROW

PRIMARY HEADLINE

SECONDARY HEADLINE

On 14 June 1775, the Second Continental Congress formed the Continental Army as a means for the 13 unified American colonies to fight the forces of Britain.

Primary headline

SERVE YOUR WAY

On 14 June 1775, The Second Continental Congress formed the Continental Army as a means for the 13 unified American colonies to fight the forces of Britain. George Washington was unanimously elected Commander-in-Chief of the fledgling Army, and he would lead the colonies to victory and independence.

In 1812, still suffering under British-enforced trade restrictions and other unsettled disputes from the American Revolution, the United States declared war on Britain for the second time.

Typographic specifications

This page shows the relationship between the different levels of copy within the typography hierarchy.

Considerations:

- Tracking is not necessary for the G.I. font (set to 0).
- Kerning should be set to metrics.
- **Underlines** are used on tertiary headlines and to highlight certain messages in body copy.
- Underline weight and offset are manually set to match the type's weight.
- Primary headlines might require less leading in larger format.
- **Primary headlines** in **sentence case** might require **additional leading**.
- **Do not** hyphenate or justify any text.

STYLE	SAMPLE	HOW TO USE:
EYEBROWS	THE UNITED STATES ARMY JUN. 14, 2025	CASE: ALL CAPS FONT: G.I. 750 LEADING: AUTO
PRIMARY HEADLINE	LIVE UP TO ANYTHING	CASE: ALL CAPS OR SENTENCE CASE FONT: G.I. 400 LEADING: 95% – 100% OF TYPE SIZE
QUOTES	"WHEN I DECIDED TO JOIN"	CASE: ALL CAPS FONT: G.I. 400 LEADING: 95% – 100% OF TYPE SIZE QUOTES: ITALIC
SECONDARY HEADLINE	JOINING THE ARMY.	CASE: ALL CAPS FONT: G.I. 530 LEADING: AUTO
TERTIARY HEADLINE	TODAY, THE ARMY IS MADE UP OF MORE THAN 700,000 SOLDIERS.	CASE: ALL CAPS FONT: G.I. 530 LEADING: 95% - 100% OF TYPE SIZE
UNDERLINE HEADLINE	AN ARMY FOR FREEDOM	CASE: ALL CAPS FONT: G.I. 530 LEADING: AUTO
BODY COPY	On 14 June 1775, The Second Continental Congress formed the Continental Army as a means for the 13 unified American colonies to fight the forces of Britain. Succeed as a leader in ways you never thought possible. Serve full-time with specialized job training while living on or near an Army base. ©	CASE: SENTENCE CASE FONT: G.I. 530 + 750 LEADING: AUTO
CAPTIONS & LEGAL	FIG 01: THE U.S. ARMY FLAG	CASE: ALL CAPS FONT: G.I. 750 LEADING: AUTO

Baseline shift

The G.I. font has been designed to accommodate different languages.

When using English, make sure to perfectly align the text to the top margin either by decreasing baseline shift or by moving the text box up.

For sentences with diacritics, no action is needed.



System font

When using applications such as Microsoft Word, PowerPoint, and Excel, use Arial Regular, Arial Bold and Arial Black.

ARIAL REGULAR

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890&?!\$%;

ARIAL BOLD

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890&?!\$%;

ADTAL BLACK

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890&?!\$%;

Typography: things to avoid

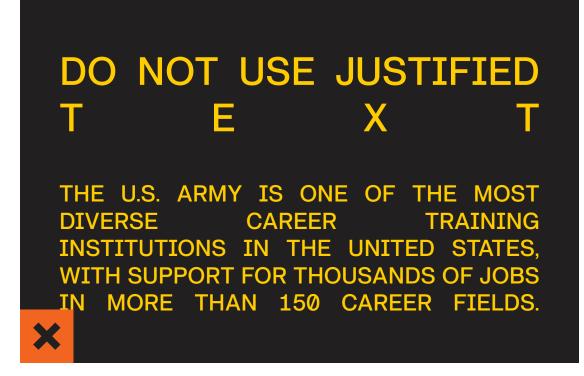
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DON'T USE CENTERED TEXT, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MOTION AND WEBSITE.



DON'T USE RIGHT-ALIGNED TEXT.



DON'T USE JUSTIFIED TEXT.



DON'T USE TOO TIGHT OR TOO LOOSE LEADING.



DON'T ADJUST THE KERNING OR TRACKING: G.I. HAS OPTIMAL SPACING BUILT IN TO THE FONT FAMILY.



DON'T USE UNAPPROVED FONTS.

06 PHOTOGRAPHY

Photography is a powerful brand tool that helps illuminate the U.S. Army experience in a way that is both authentic and ownable.

Photography offers a window into the "real" Army, and the myriad ways in which the U.S. Army's people demonstrate their passion and purpose every day. It captures the U.S. Army world in moments that are rich, immersive, and unambiguously U.S. Army.

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Photography fundamentals

The U.S. Army photography fundamentals are key visual elements used to ensure visual consistency across all brand touchpoints.







RICH COLOR

CLEAR COMPOSITION

DYNAMIC PERSPECTIVE

Rich color

U.S. Army photography exudes the distinctive palette of the U.S. Army and its environment, rendered in rich, natural, and dramatic colors.

Images are bold, using contrast and shape to create a sense of depth and drama—but can range in scale from the panoramic to the highly tactile, all within a context of recognizable but understated color.

Warm tones and natural light create an authentic, human feel, and the golden quality of light recalls the U.S. Army's brand colors while expressing a mood of possibility.

Checklist:

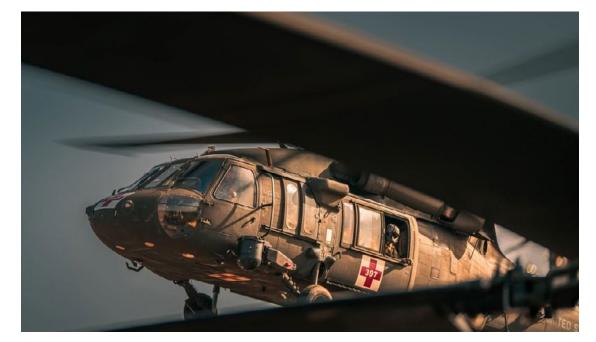
- ☐ Warm color palette
- ☐ Rich, natural lighting
- ☐ Sense of drama
- ☐ Contrast and weight



















Clear composition

Photography should be unambiguous and uncluttered, clear and direct in the story it tells, yet inviting and engaging.

Imagery should exclude any superfluous elements and use depth of field and framing to help accentuate important subject matter.

Simple and clear composition helps the audience understand the action and the context, but photographs should feel like an authentic moment, unstaged.

Checklist:

- ☐ Simple and clear composition
- ☐ Selective focus to highlight subject
- ☐ Clear sense of story and context
- ☐ No unnecessary elements



















Dynamic perspective

U.S. Army photography provides an immersive, dynamic, and authentic window on life inside the U.S. Army, as experienced from a very human, first-person perspective.

Images should capture a sense of motion and purposeful activity, set against a cinematic landscape or framed in an immersive close-up.

The action you portray should feel spontaneous and energetic; an effortless interplay of people, the tools of their trade, and their surroundings.

Checklist:

- ☐ Human point of view
- ☐ Feels authentic and engaging
- ☐ Cinematic quality
- ☐ Suggests a larger story

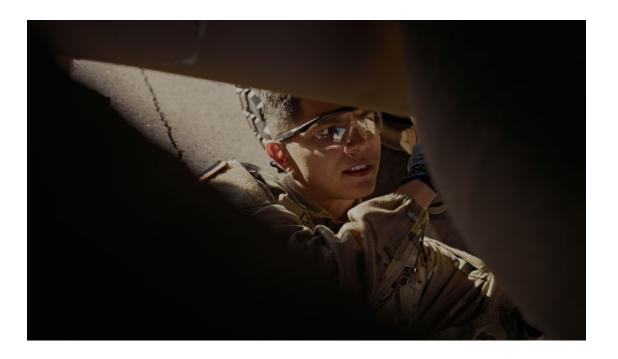




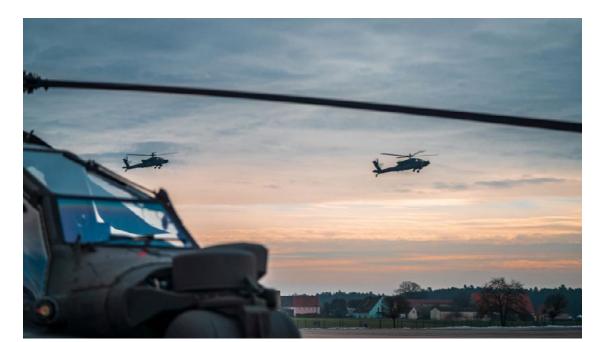














Content themes

The stories we tell are an integral part of the U.S. Army brand identity. Photography plays a big role in bringing clarity and unity to all U.S. Army's messages.







COMMUNITY & CONNECTION

Purpose & passion

The things people care most about—their passions—shape everything people do; they give them purpose. In that sense, passion and purpose are inseparable.

U.S. Army photography shares the passion and purpose of the real people behind the uniform. It reveals, in intimate and inspiring ways, their commitment to mission, sense of duty, and pursuit of a higher purpose in life.

Our photography captures how personal that commitment can be, amplifying the unlimited career paths, education, and skill-building opportunities the U.S. Army affords.



















Community & connection

Each soldier experiences a sense of community and connection that is unique to the U.S. Army, and that we wish to capture and magnify.

Use photography to illuminate the supportive, collaborative community of the U.S. Army—a community that helps soldiers achieve at their highest capacity, that values individuality, camaraderie, and fun.

A feeling of connection to something greater and more capable than any one individual is intrinsic to the U.S. Army. The Army is a team sport, so to speak, and photography can bring that sentiment of collaboration, of working towards a complex, common mission, to life.















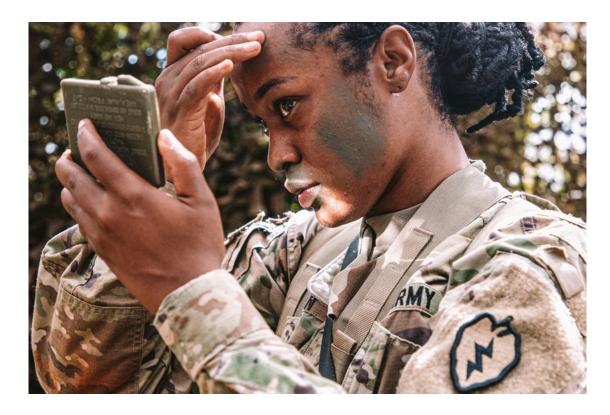




Soldier photography

The U.S. Army takes great pride in its uniforms and related customs and traditions.

When photographing U.S. Army soldiers in uniform, proper styling and grooming of apparel, accessories, and equipment is very important. It not only helps maintain brand standards and consistency, but also reflects the U.S. Army's rigor and attention to detail when it comes to appearance in uniform.



REPRESENTATION

The U.S. Army and its members reflect the diverse geography and population of the United States, and U.S. Army photography must do the same.



UNIFORMS & APPEARANCE

Uniformed soldiers must wear only approved uniforms, with particular care given to correct placement and application of patches and accessories.

The appearance of soldiers featured in U.S. Army photography must be in compliance with current U.S. Army grooming regulations and standards.



ARMS

Weapons are necessary equipment in the U.S. Army's work, and it is permissible to include images of weapons in brand communications. However, under no circumstances may a weapon of any kind ever appear, in moving or still imagery, to be pointed in the direction of the lens; e.g., at the viewer.

Civilian photography

The "personal, relatable, and authentic" approach to U.S. Army photography extends to images of civilians that appear in our brand communications. While always applying the brand Photography Fundamentals, please give attention to these important considerations for wardrobe, styling, and location.



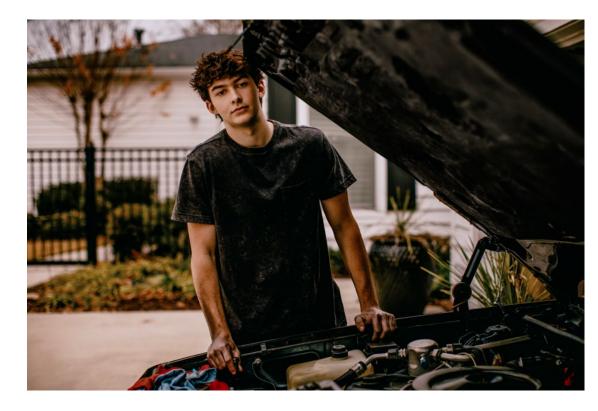
REPRESENTATION

As with photography of U.S. Army personnel, civilian imagery should reflect the diverse geography and population of the United States.



INDIVIDUALITY

Embrace photography that depicts the candid stories and passions of authentically unique people and settings. They are more engaging and credible to audiences than images of people in generic settings, situations, and poses.



ENVIRONMENT

Physical surroundings are an important dimension of any story. Civilians should be photographed in their everyday environments, where they're at their most authentic.

Color correction

Color correction is an important consideration for aligning image assets with photography fundamentals.

Rich color can often be enhanced by using photo editing to tools to increase sense of warmth, drama, depth, and overall impact of image assets.



BEFORE

Color is not aligned:

- ☐ Cool/neutral color palette
- ☐ Sense of flatness
- □ Washed out



AFTER

Color is aligned:

- ☐ Warm/golden color palette
- ☐ Contrast and depth
- ☐ Rich and dramatic

Photography: things to avoid

The examples on this page illustrate some, but not all, potential misuses of photography.







DON'T USE GORY IMAGES.



DON'T USE BLACK-AND-WHITE IMAGES.

07 COMPOSITION

The U.S. Army grid is the framework for leveraging the core identity elements to create successful and consistent communications. Simple and flexible, the grid enables a dynamic range of compositional possibilities.

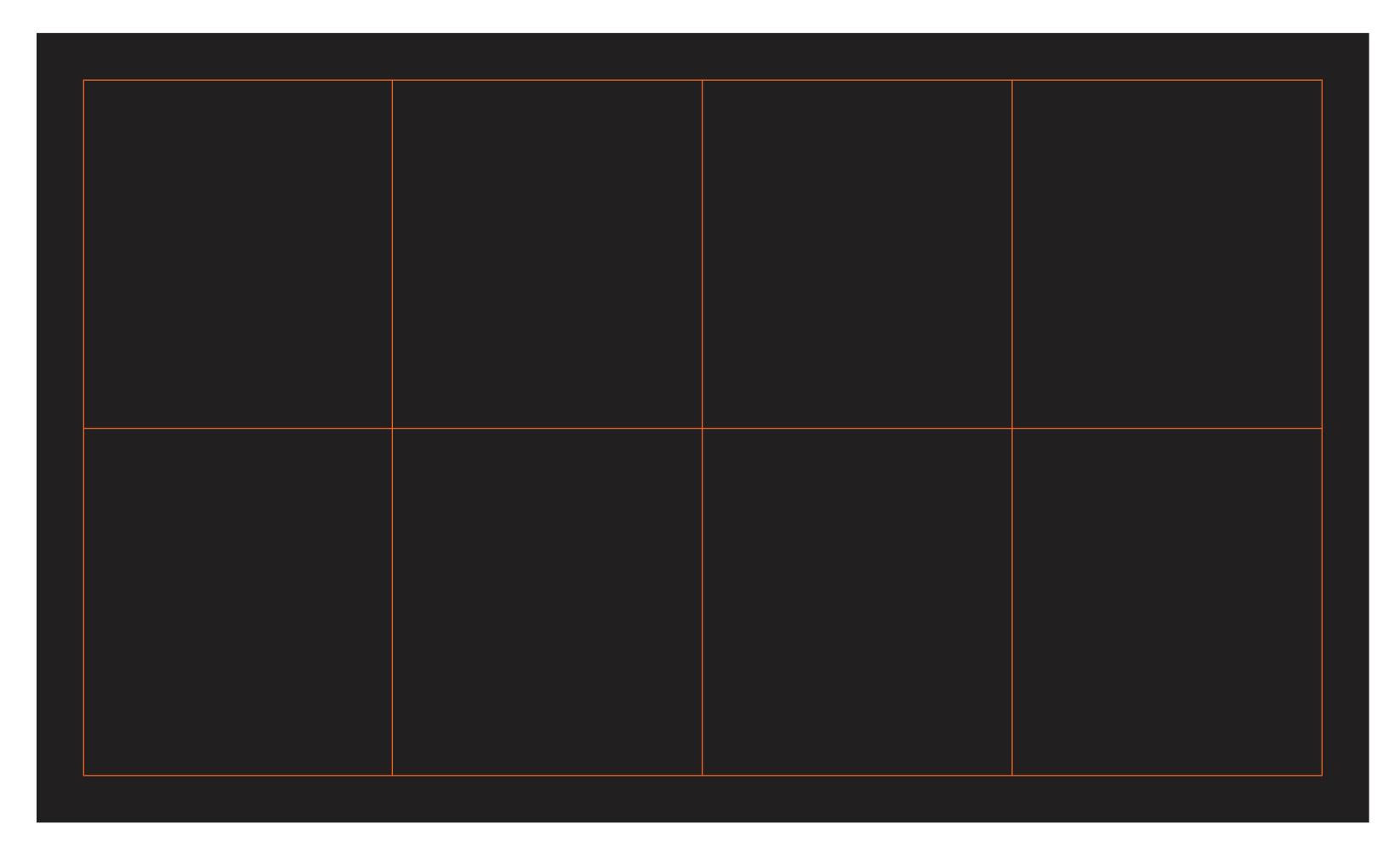
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Composition grid

The composition grid is the foundation for all visual brand expressions, designed to provide basic structure and guidance on how to organize visual elements across all media and formats.

The composition grid is based on dividing the canvas or surface by increments of two: **1**×**2**, **2**×**2**, **2**×**4**, **4**×**6**, **etc**.

This system creates a simple and flexible framework for visual elements that enables content to be conveyed clearly and consistently across all brand expressions.

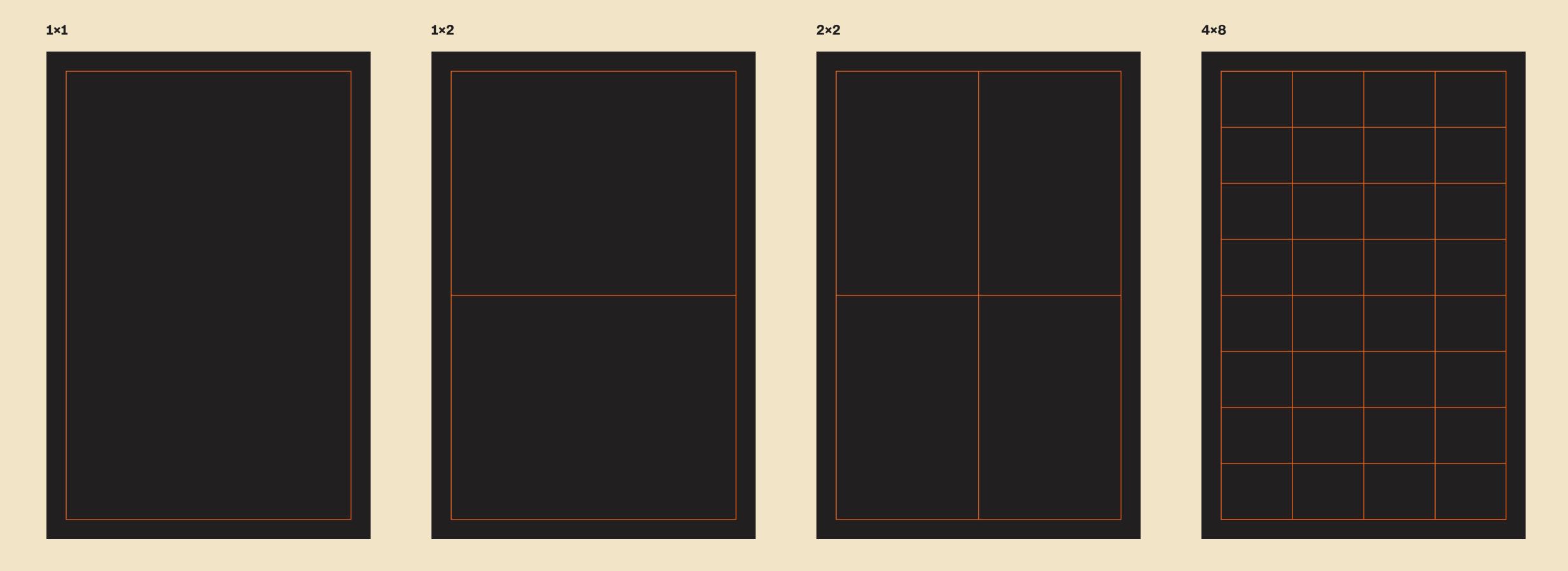


EXAMPLE OF OUR COMPOSITION GRID DIVISIONS

Grid system

The composition grid is defined by the use of symmetry—each space is divisible by two—horizontally and vertically. This system allows for flexibility and easy construction, while maintaining a visual consistency. Below are some examples of how to use our grid system.

THE GRID SHOULD BE CONSTRUCTED FOR EVERY ELEMENT BASED ON SCALE, PROPORTION, AND COMPLEXITY.



Using the grid: 1×1 composition

Margins are especially important within the grid for creating structure within the composition.

Outer margins are equidistant top, bottom, right, and left. In a 1×1 composition, margins play a key role in the layout.

Composition structure:

- Margins: 5%–10% of canvas width; larger formats require more margin than smaller formats
- Left-aligned typography
- Full-bleed photography
- Left-aligned logo (if applicable)

This composition is best used in applications such as posters & banners, social media, motion graphics, and presentation covers among others.



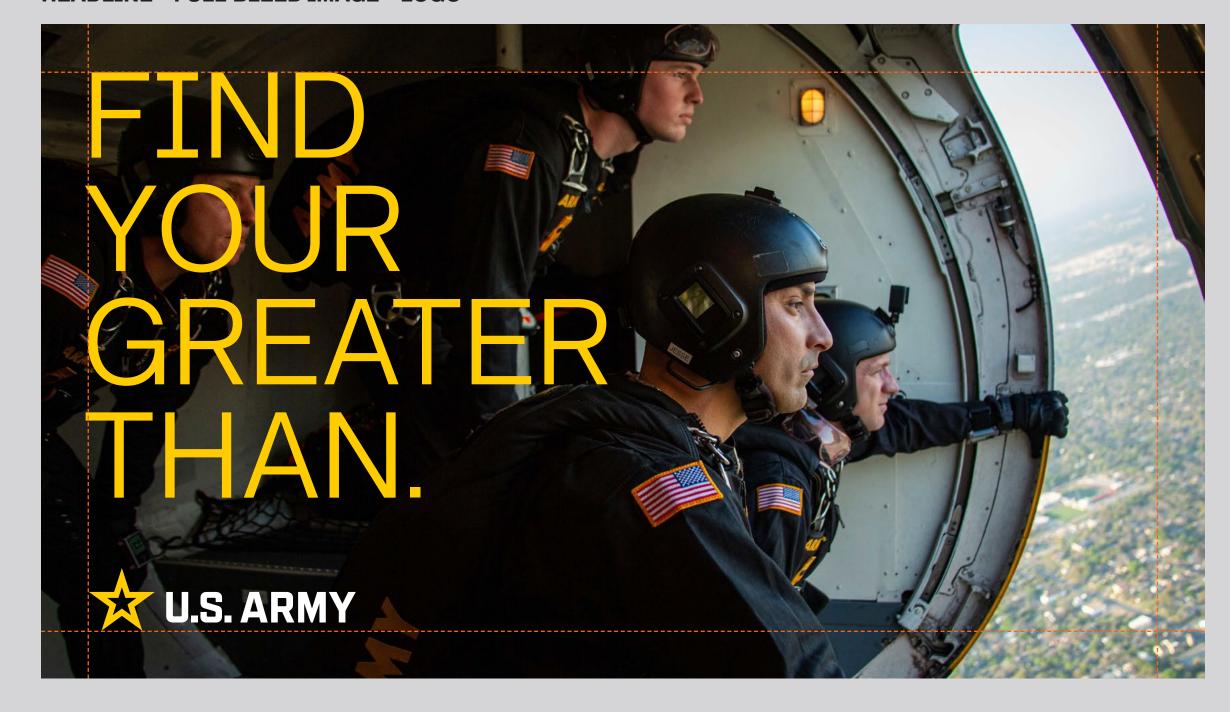
EXAMPLE OF HOW TO BUILD A 1×1 COMPOSITION

1×1 composition examples

HEADLINE + LOGO

POSSIBLE TO NEVER STOP GROWING. **U.S. ARMY**

HEADLINE + FULL-BLEED IMAGE + LOGO



BODY COPY + CTA

As an Engineer Officer,

you'll manage a wide range of crucial engineering projects, including constructing roads, bases, bridges, and airfields, supporting disaster relief and civilian rescue efforts, and researching alternative engineering technology. You'll also provide support to troops in the field. ②

FIND OUT MORE >

Using the grid: 2×2 composition

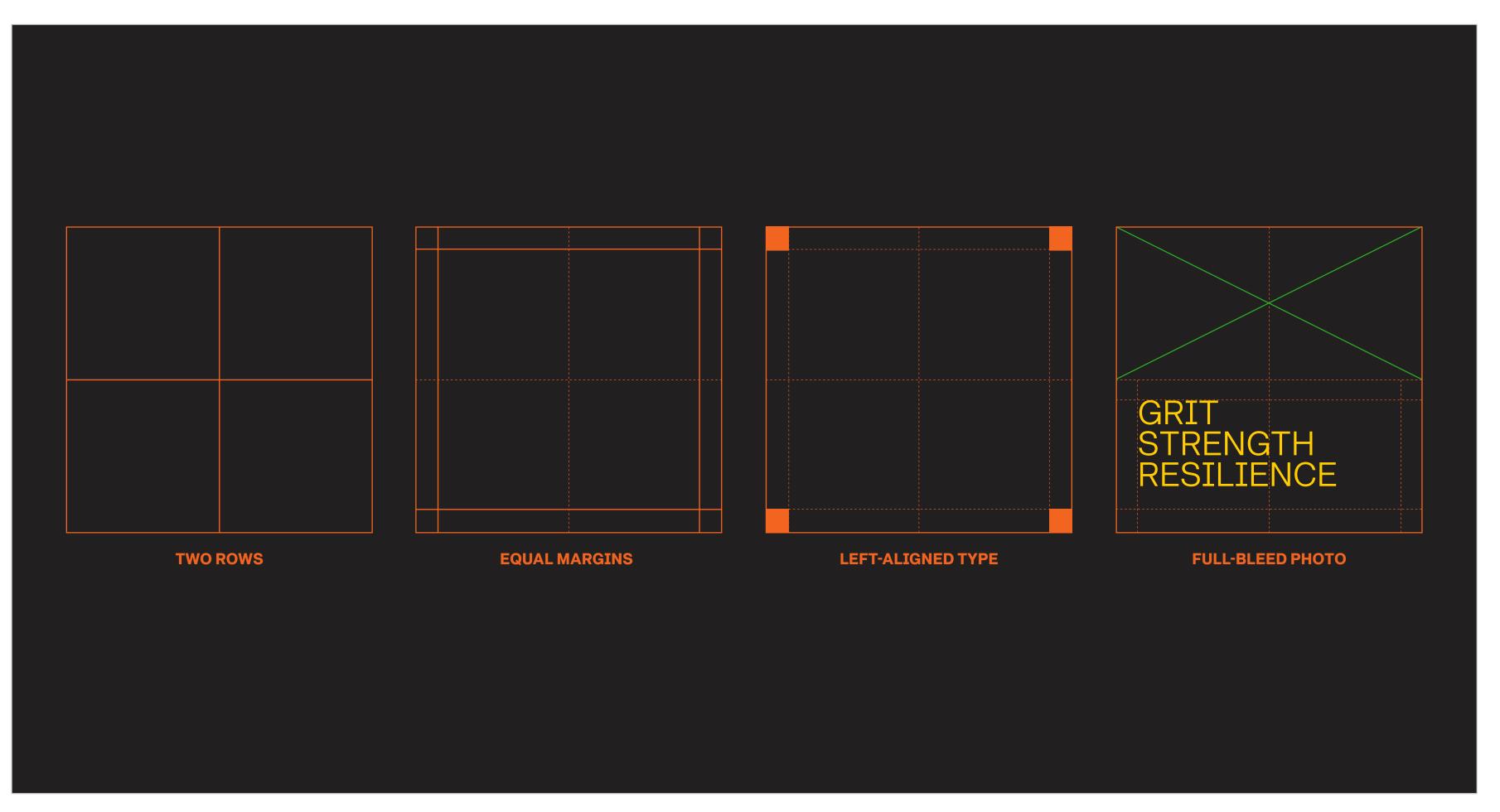
Columns and **rows** are two key elements of the composition grid.

Columns and rows can be used with or without gutter, depending on the complexity of the document.

Composition structure:

- Two rows, two columns
- Margins: 5%–10% of canvas width; larger formats require more margin than smaller formats
- Left-aligned typography
- Full-bleed or margin-aligned photography
- Left-aligned logo (if applicable)

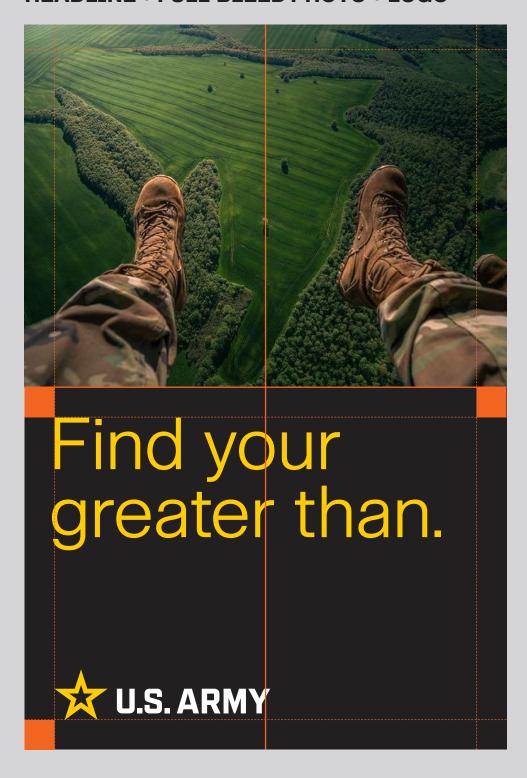
Typography and photography can be placed within top, bottom, left, or right halves of the composition.



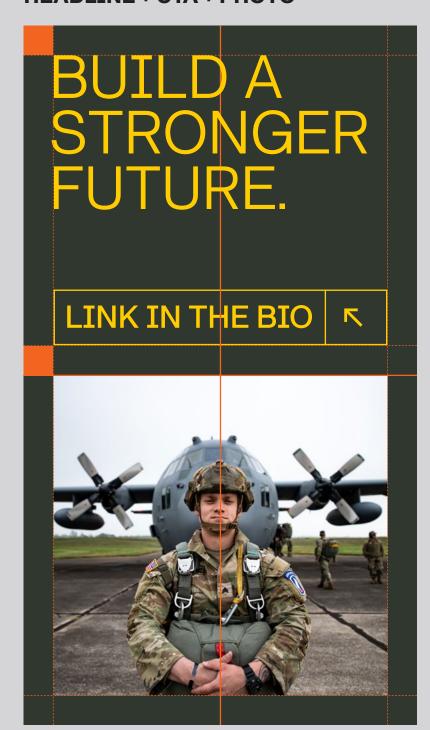
EXAMPLE OF HOW TO BUILD A 2×2 COMPOSITION

2×2 composition examples

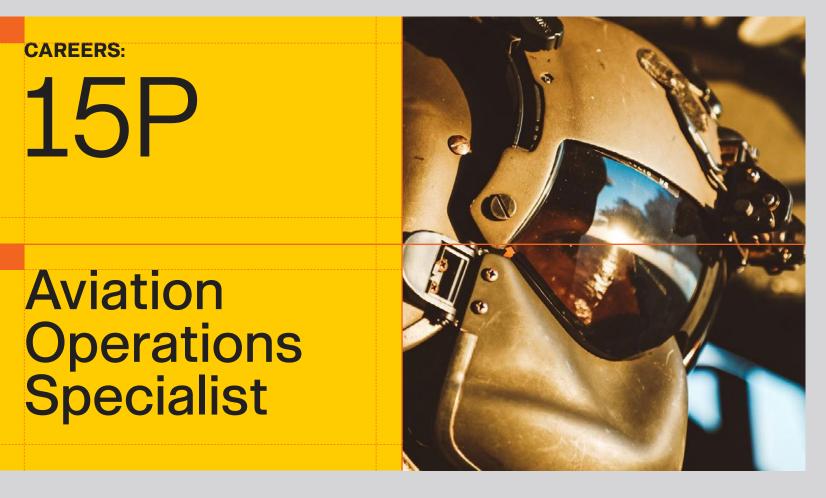
HEADLINE + FULL-BLEED PHOTO + LOGO



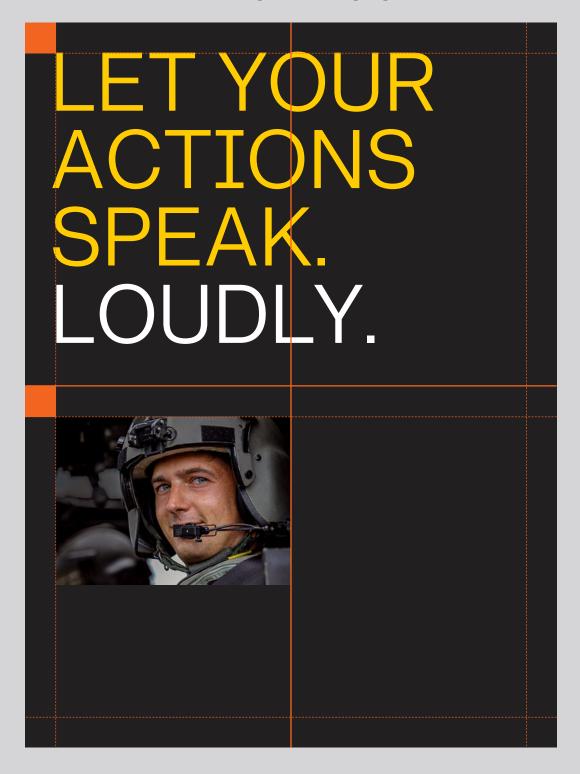
HEADLINE + CTA + PHOTO



HEADLINE + FULL-BLEED PHOTO



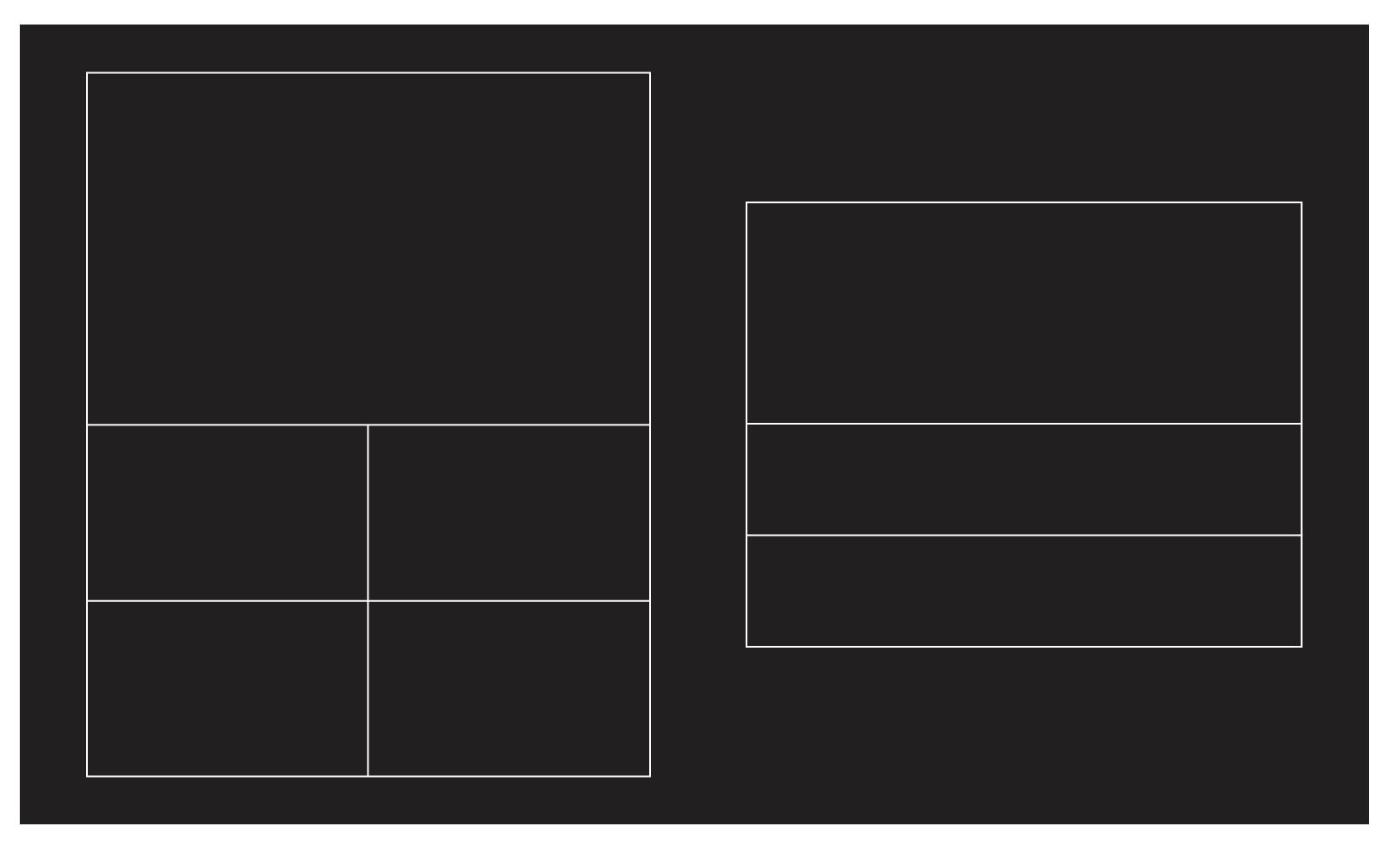
HEADLINE + LEFT-ALIGNED PHOTO



Exposed grid device

The exposed grid is a device that utilizes the grid system to create hardworking graphic elements that can be used to organize or emphasize content.

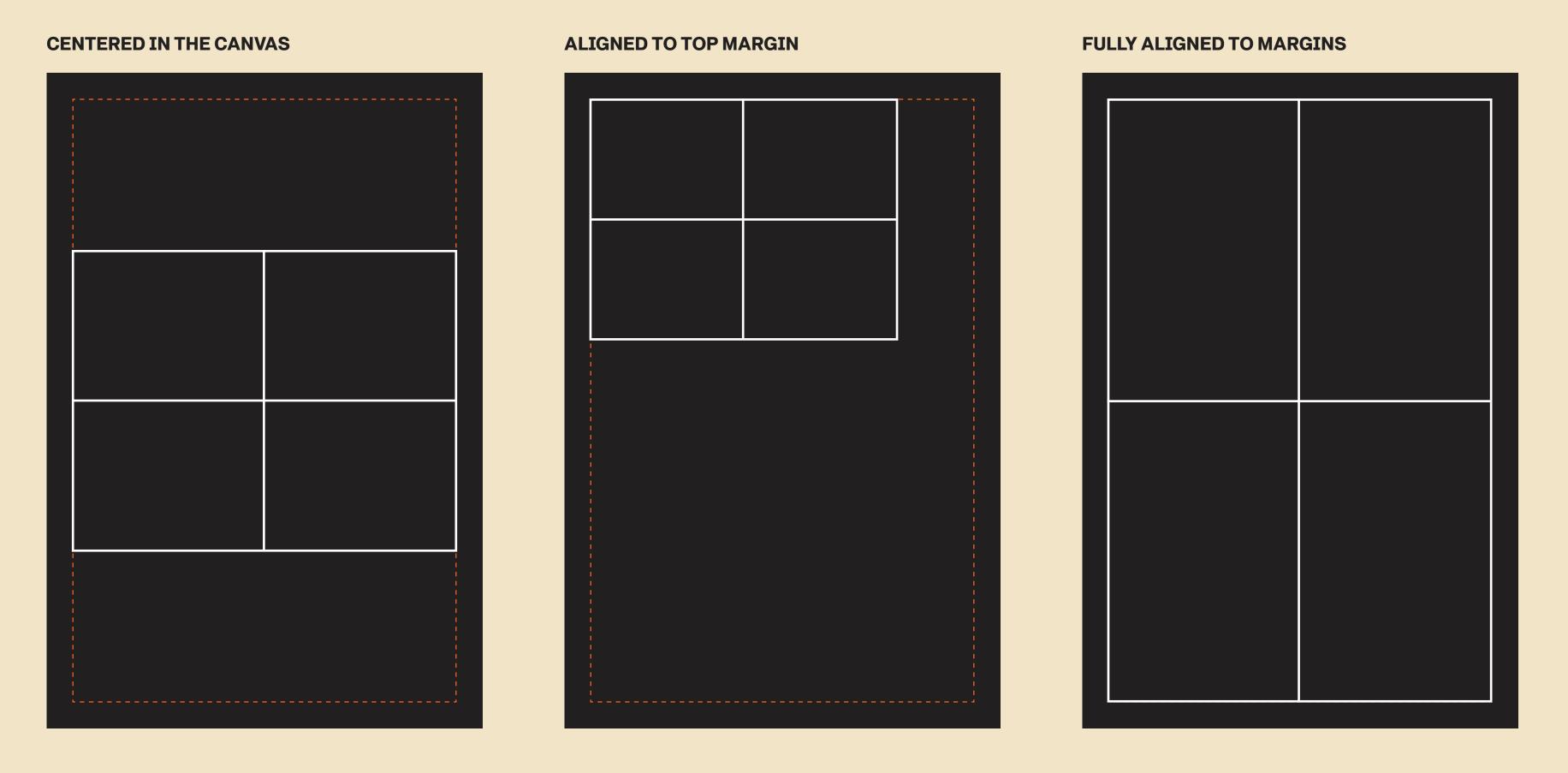
Based on the system of dividing space by two's, this device is designed to provide structure for content and activate compositions in a uniquely U.S. Army way.



EXAMPLE OF OUR EXPOSED GRID DEVICES

Exposed grid device fundamentals

The exposed grid is a flexible device that can be used in various ways, and each application will require a different structure. When building your exposed grid device, keep in mind these three placement usages.



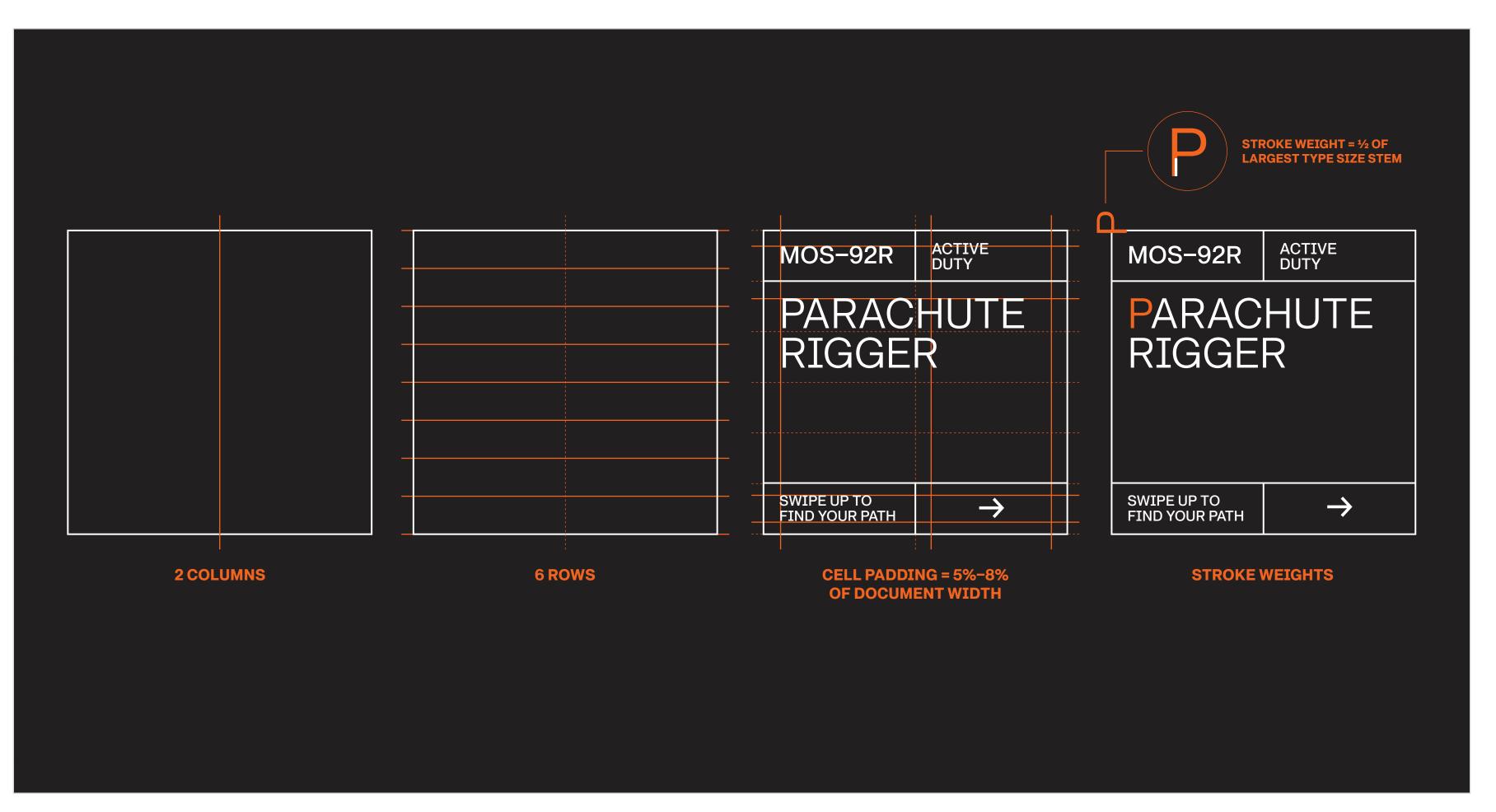
Building the exposed grid device

Exposed devices are designed following the same rules as our symmetrical grid—even number of columns and rows, equidistant margins, and left-aligned typography.

Device structure:

- Space division into columns and rows
- Interior cell padding, 8%–10% of canvas width; larger formats require more margin than smaller formats
- **Left-aligned** typography
- Stroke weight uses the primary or secondary headline to guide the stroke weight. The stroke should feel balanced with the type, not too thin or heavy

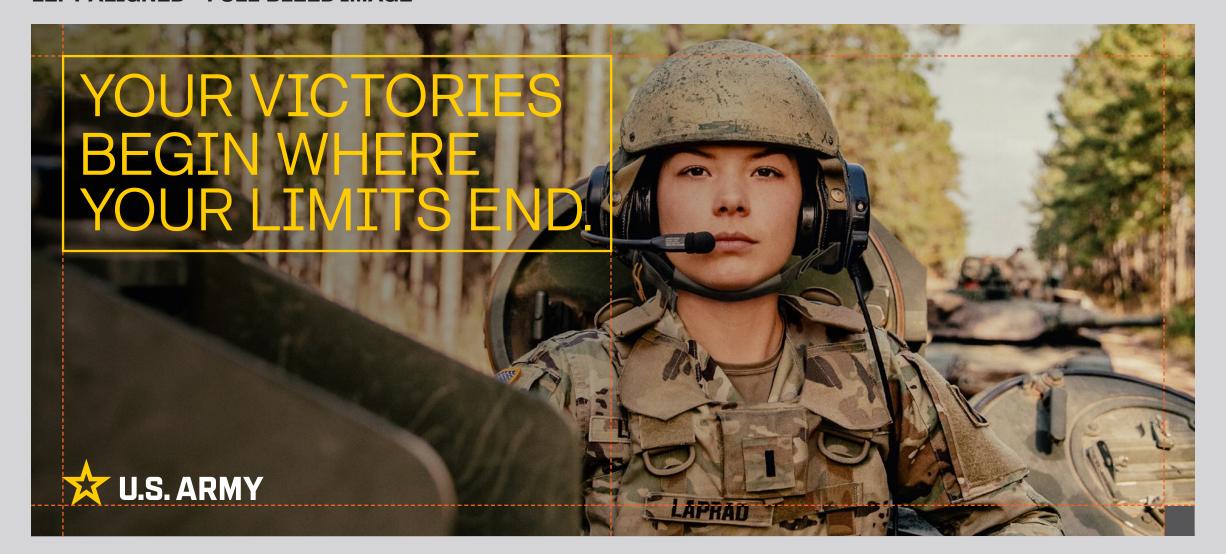
Use the exposed grid device in high-impact applications that use primary and secondary headlines with minimal body copy.



EXAMPLE ON HOW TO BUILD AN EXPOSED GRID DEVICE

Exposed grid device examples

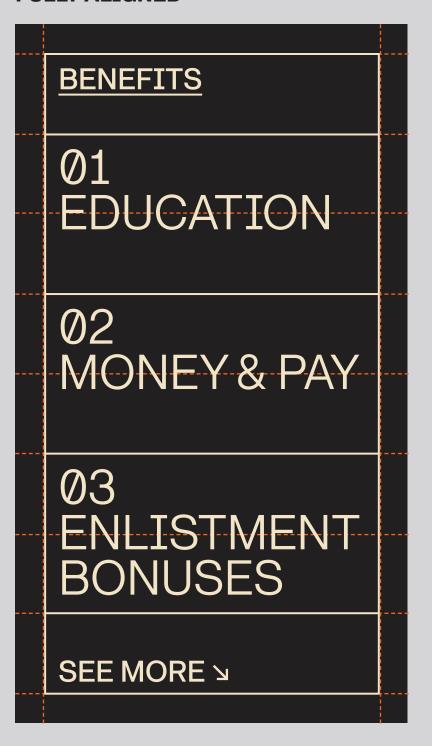
LEFT ALIGNED + FULL-BLEED IMAGE



SINGLE DEVICES

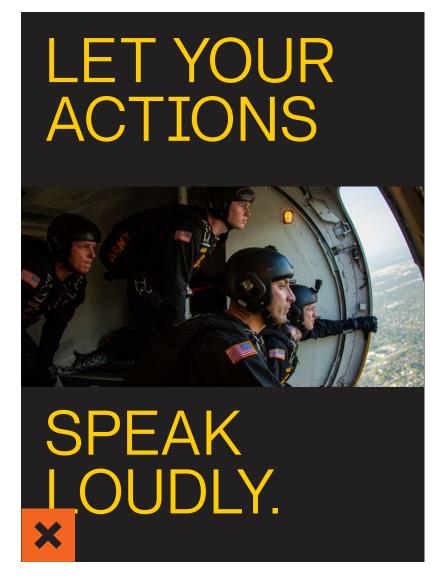


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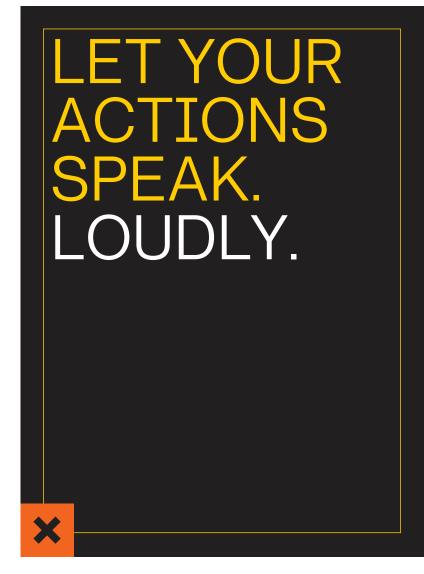


Composition: things to avoid

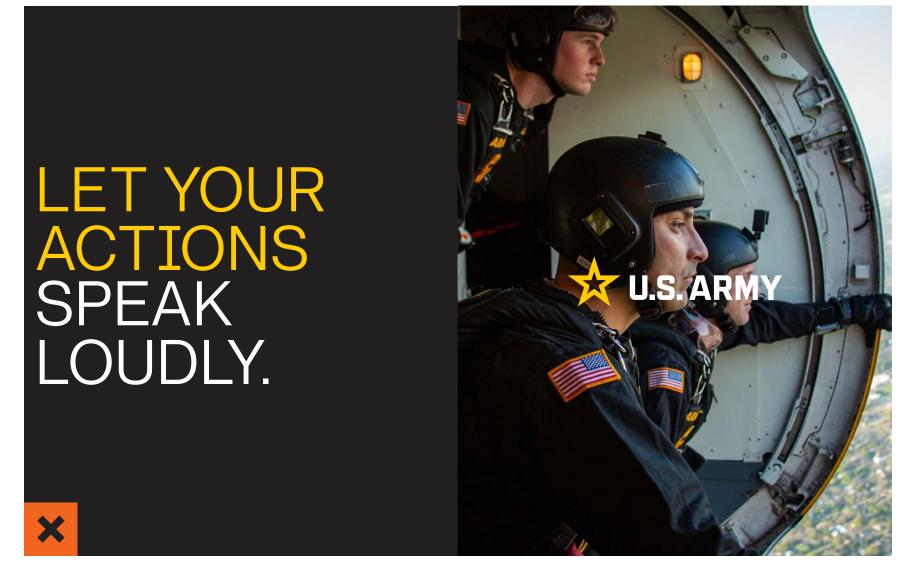
The examples on this page illustrate some, but not all, potential misuses of composition.



DON'T USE AN ODD NUMBER OF ROWS TO DIVIDE THE CANVAS.



DON'T USE TOO THIN (OR TOO THICK) STROKE WEIGHT.



ALWAYS ALIGN TYPE TO THE GRID.

DON'T USE SMALL MARGINS.

DON'T PLACE LOGO ON TOP OF IMAGES WHEN THESE AREN'T FULL BLEED.

08 MOTION

Motion is a powerful tool for creating engaging, dynamic, human communications and driving impact through storytelling.

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Motion fundamentals

The motion fundamentals reflect the Army's identity principles and are key to ensure visual consistency across all kinetic expression of the brand.

BOLD ENERGY

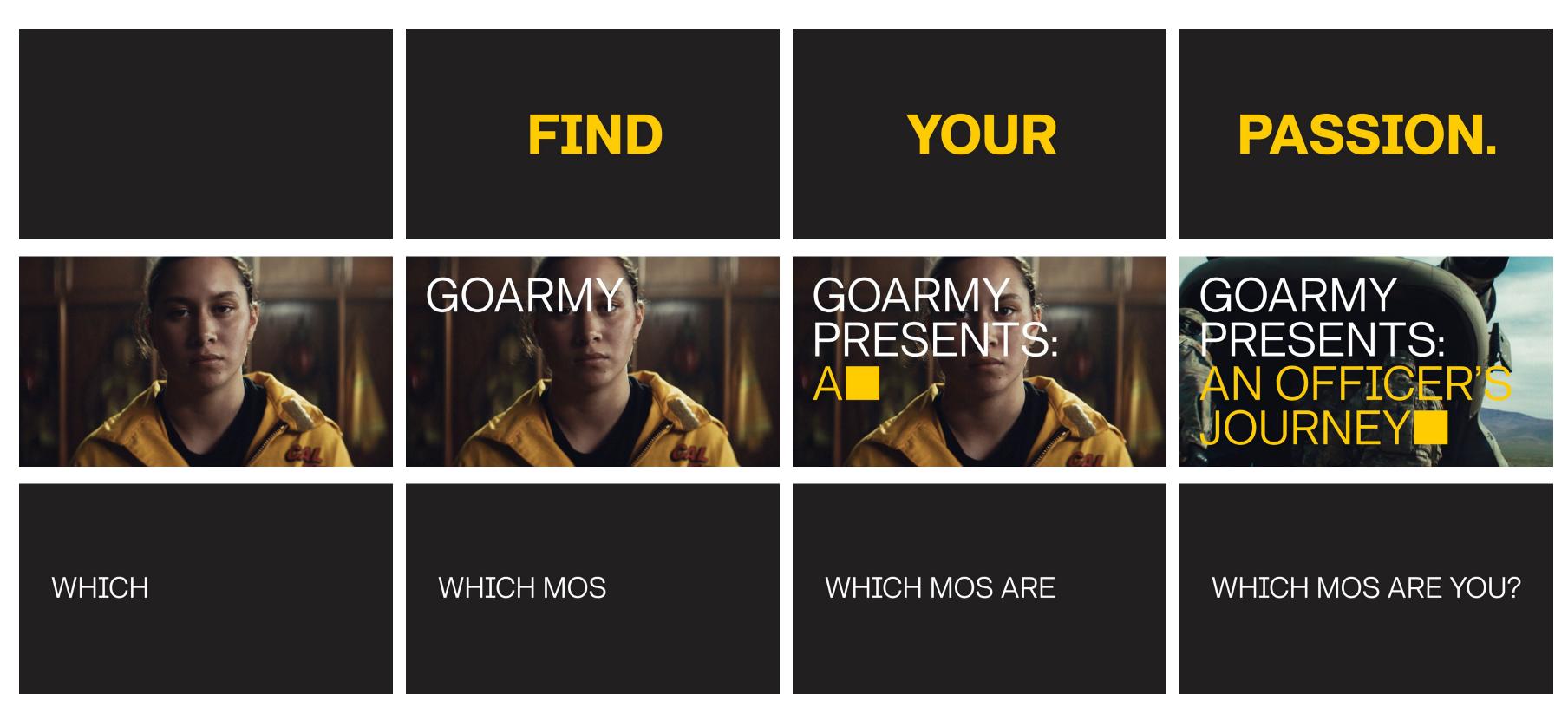
PURPOSEFUL MOVEMENT

Bold energy

Bold, uncomplicated motion gestures with crops cuts and dynamic pacing—no-nosense, like our brand.

CHECKLIST:

- □ Dynamic pacing
- ☐ Purposeful cuts
- ☐ Confident typography
- ☐ Grid-based compositions



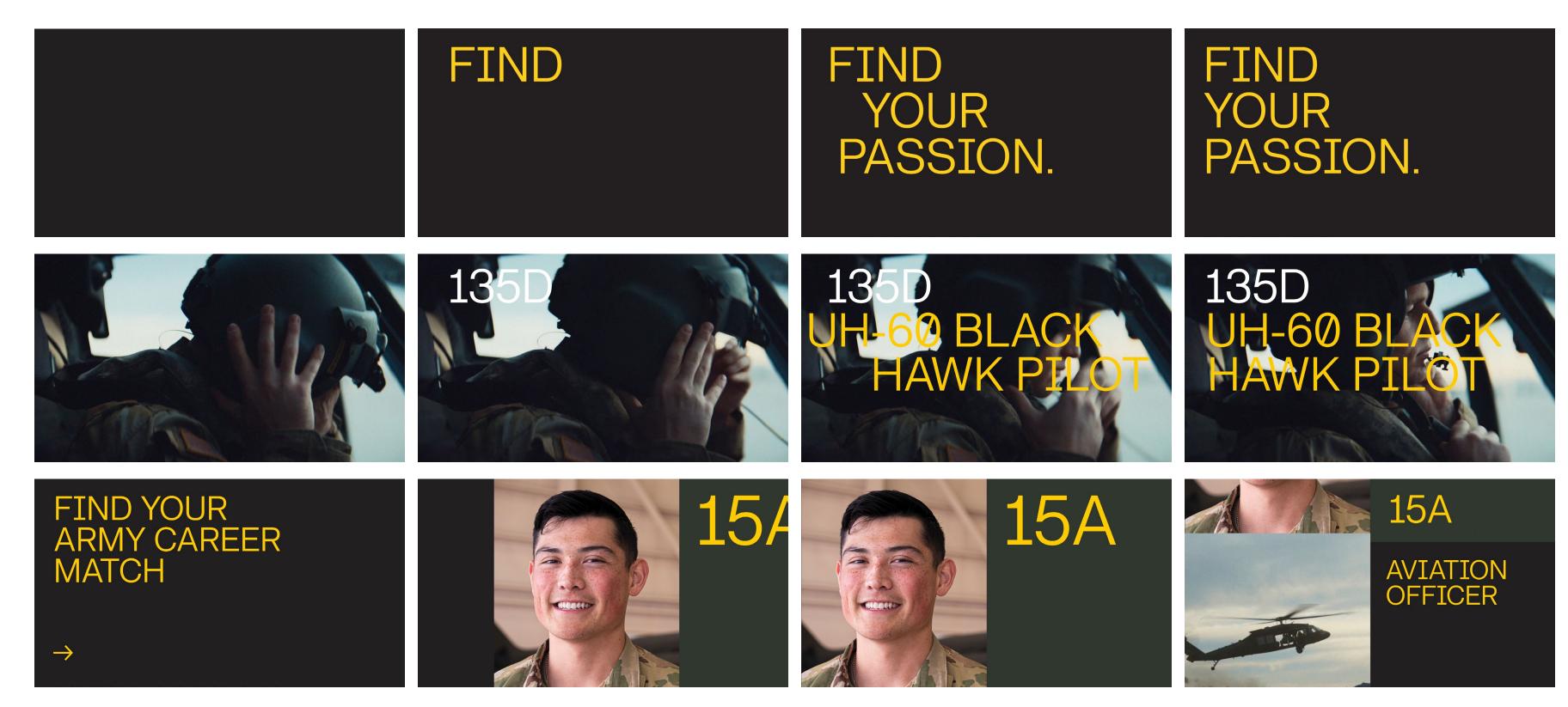
EXAMPLES OF BOLD ENERGY

Purposeful movement

Deliberate, tightly choreographed movements demonstrate precision and agility, advancing the brand's story.

CHECKLIST:

- ☐ Precise pacing
- ☐ Effortless transitions
- ☐ Magnetic typography
- ☐ Grid-based compositions



EXAMPLES OF PURPOSEFUL MOVEMENT

Core motion elements

Based upon the core elements of Army's visual identity, these tools are the foundation for all motion expressions.

LOGO

TYPE MOVEMENTS COMPOSITION STYLES FIELD OF STARS ELEMENT

TRANSITIONS

Logo

In motion, our logo amplifies the world of possibilities within the Army.

The logo moves with confidence, pride, and efficiency.

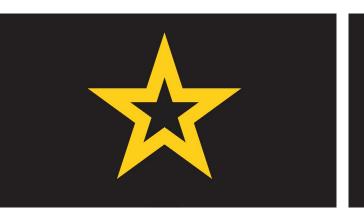
Logo animations were designed both in horizontal and vertical formats.

Considerations:

- Big bang is used in longer format videos, such as campaigns, video-ads, YouTube, etc.
- Starburst is used in mediumto-short video formats, such as Instagram Reels, Instagram in-feed posts, etc.
- Flash is used in short format videos, such as Instagram Stories, Snapchat, etc.



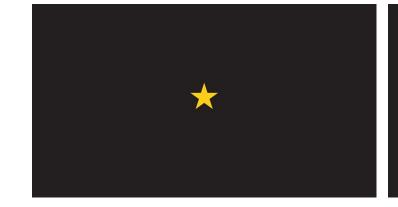








LOGO ANIMATION: BIG BANG











LOGO ANIMATION: STARBURST











LOGO ANIMATION: FLASH

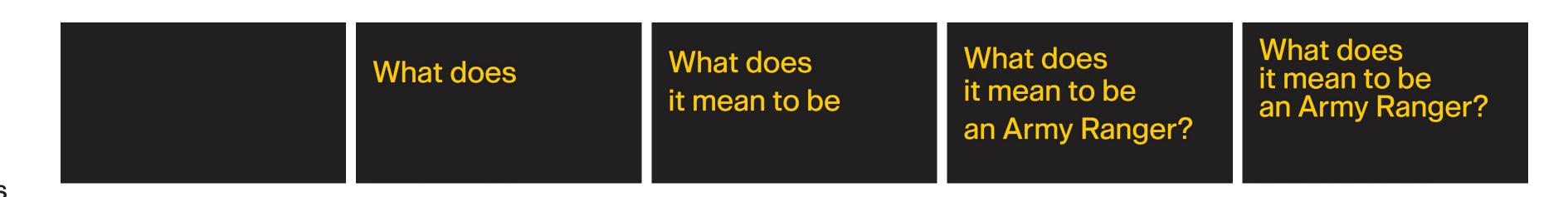
Type movements

Our custom font, G.I., is designed to perform with clarity and consistency across all branded contexts.

Logo animations:

- Simple type can be animated sentence-by-sentence, word-byword, or number-by-number
- Directional type can travel horizontally and vertically, though only one direction at a time
- Cursor always moves left to right;
 word limit is approximately 8 words







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EXAMPLE OF DIRECTIONAL MOVEMENT

EXAMPLE OF CURSOR MOVEMENT

Composition styles

Our custom font, G.I., is designed to perform with clarity and consistency across all branded contexts.

Considerations

- Core style is telegraphic, simple, bold, and evergreen
- Block style is most effective in communicating the U.S. Army's world of possibilities
- Exposed grid is designed to provide structure for complex text-based content











EXAMPLE OF CORE STYLE









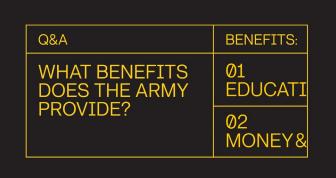


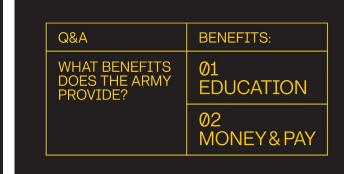
EXAMPLE OF BLOCK STYLE











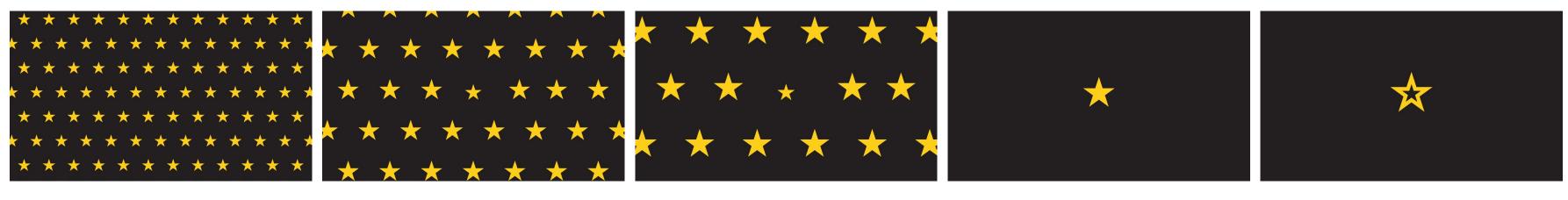
EXAMPLE OF EXPOSED GRID

Field of stars element

The field of stars is a flexible brand element closely connected to our logo. It conveys the idea of being a star among stars, standing arm in arm with all who serve, and being all that one can be.

Considerations

• Field of stars 01 and 02 are best used in transitions, logo intros, and outros



FIELD OF STARS 01



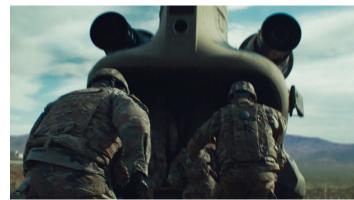
FIELD OF STARS 02

Transitions

Our video transitions embody our motion fundamentals through bold energy and purposeful movement. Efficiently moving a video from scene to scene, transitions bring rhythm and pace to storytelling.



- Cut transitions are straight transitions from A to B without effects
- Swipe transitions are linear swipes from A to B without effects; these move horizontally and vertically











EXAMPLE OF CUT TRANSITION











EXAMPLE OF SWIPE TRANSITION

09 ICONOGRAPHY

Iconography communicates concepts and ideas without language—it is the essence of visual storytelling. Army iconography can be used across a range of expressions to quickly express a message or enrich a story.

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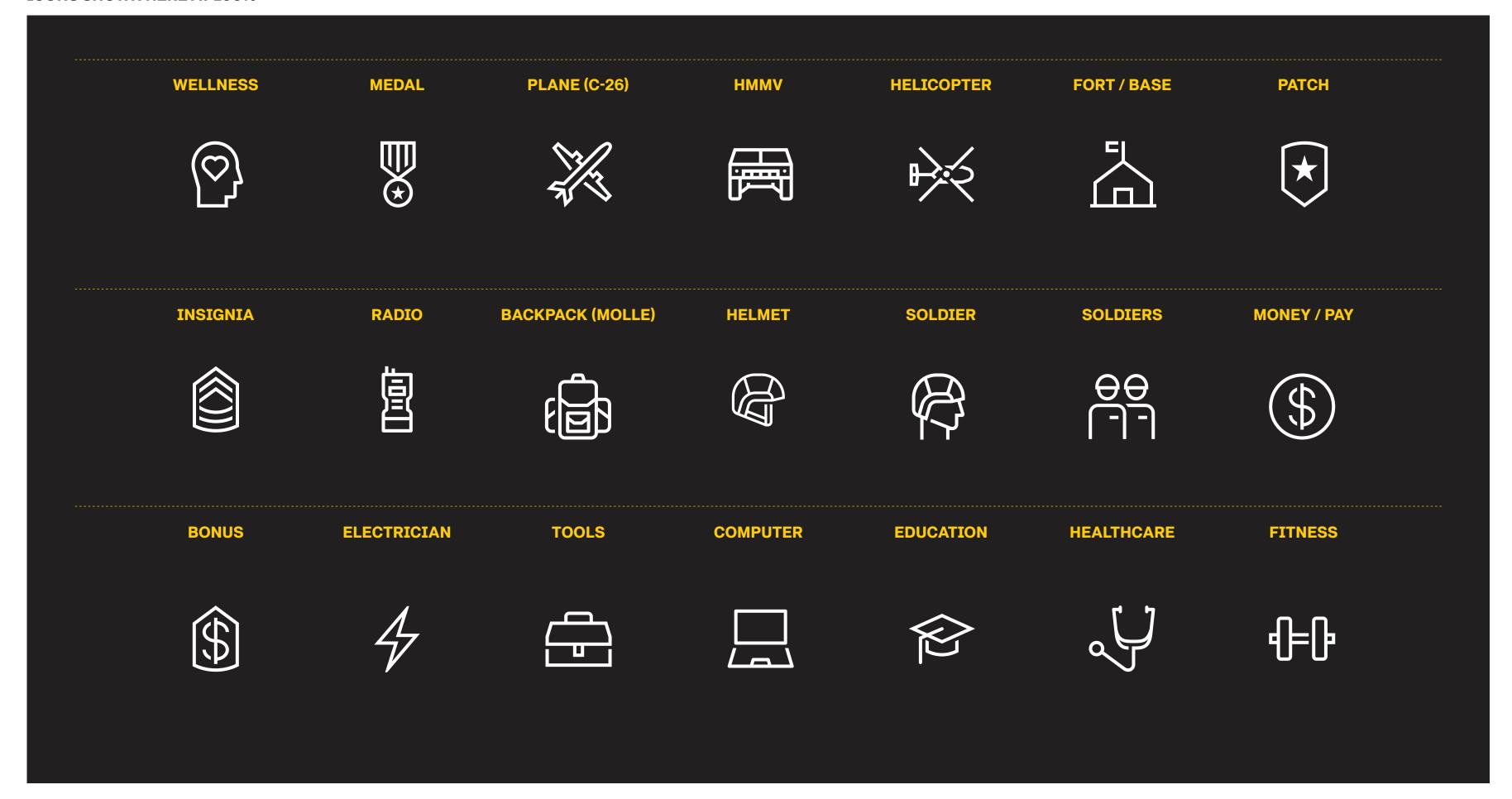
Iconography system

The U.S. Army icons are the result of two foundational elements style and meaning.

Our **iconography style** is bold and simple. It uses basic shapes and proportions to create consistency across the system. Each icon is intentionally designed to be paired with our typeface, G.I.

Our icons are designed based on authentic Army objects, ideas, and messages to communicate concepts at a glance.

ICONS SHOWN HERE AT 100%



ICON EXAMPLES (60PX)

Icon sizes

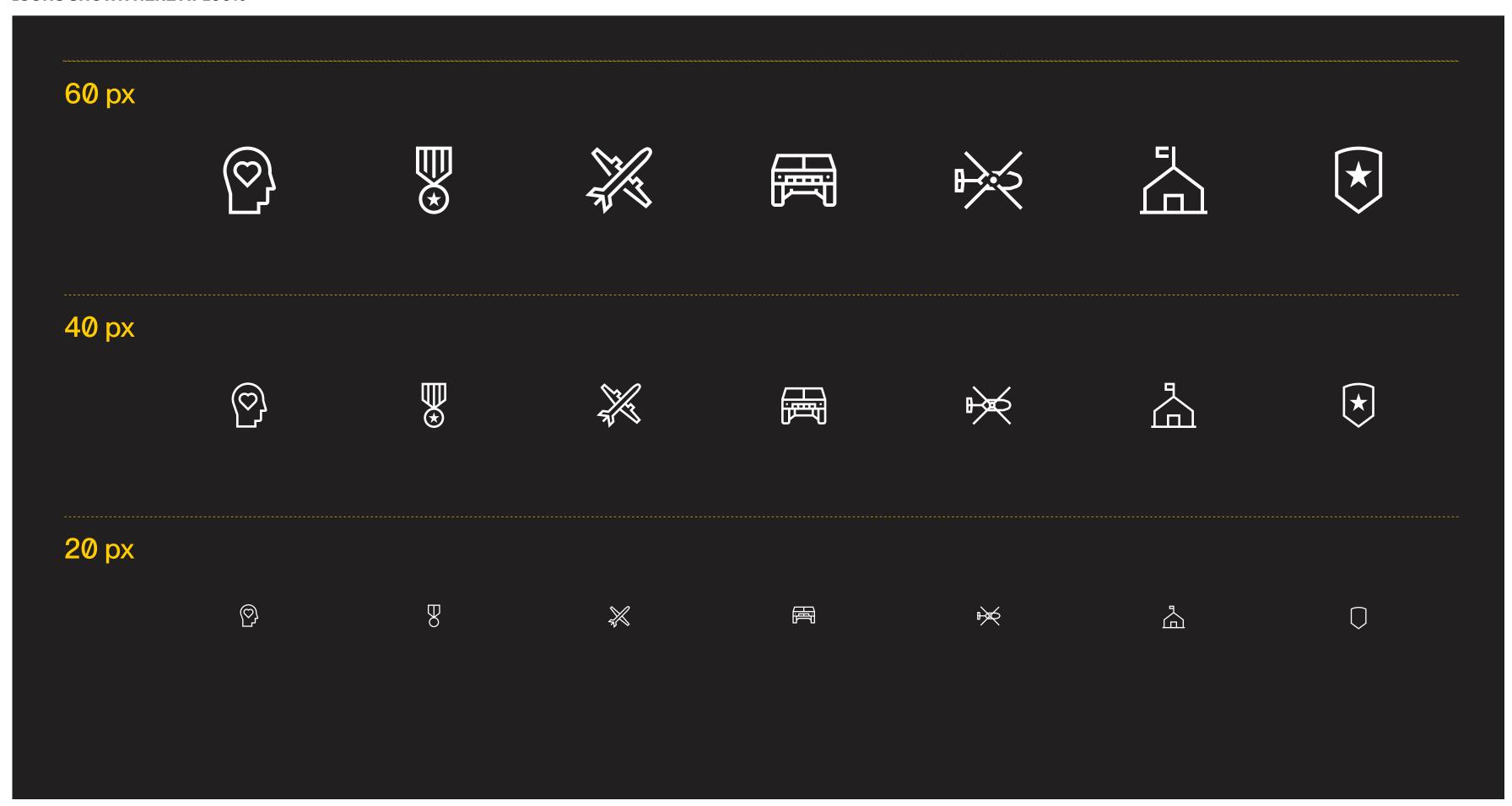
The U.S. Army icons are available in three sizes: 60px, 40px, and 20px.

Designed to perform with clarity and consistency across all branded contexts, the icons decrease in complexity as they scale down.

Considerations:

- Select the size best suited to the product being created
- Avoid scaling the icons, unless strictly necessary
- Do not change the design by adding or removing elements
- Do not add strokes

ICONS SHOWN HERE AT 100%



ICON SIZE EXAMPLES

Icon color usage

The U.S. Army icons are used in 3 colors: White, Army Black, and Army Gold.

The examples on this page illustrate how to use our icons on a solid background.

Considerations:

- Do not add extra color to an icon
- Avoid combining two color icons in the same product



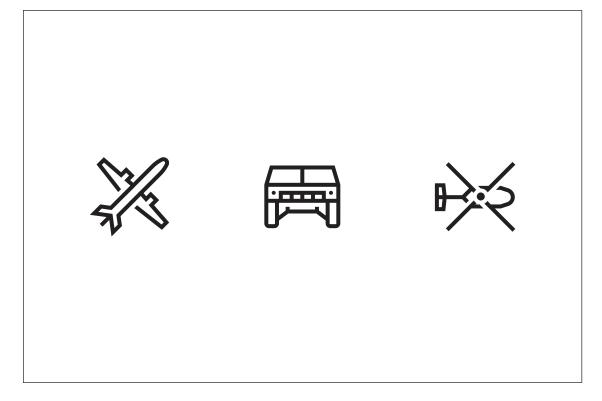




ARMY GOLD ICONS ON ARMY BLACK



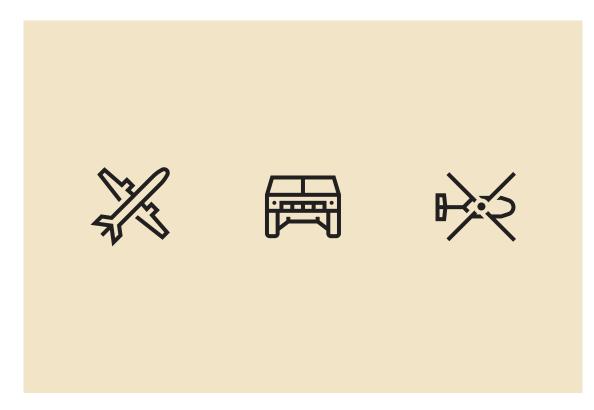
ARMY GOLD ICONS ON ARMY GREEN







ARMY BLACK ICONS ON ARMY GOLD



ARMY BLACK ICONS ON TAN

Icon usage

Our icons are designed to work in harmony with our custom typeface, G.I., and it's different weights.

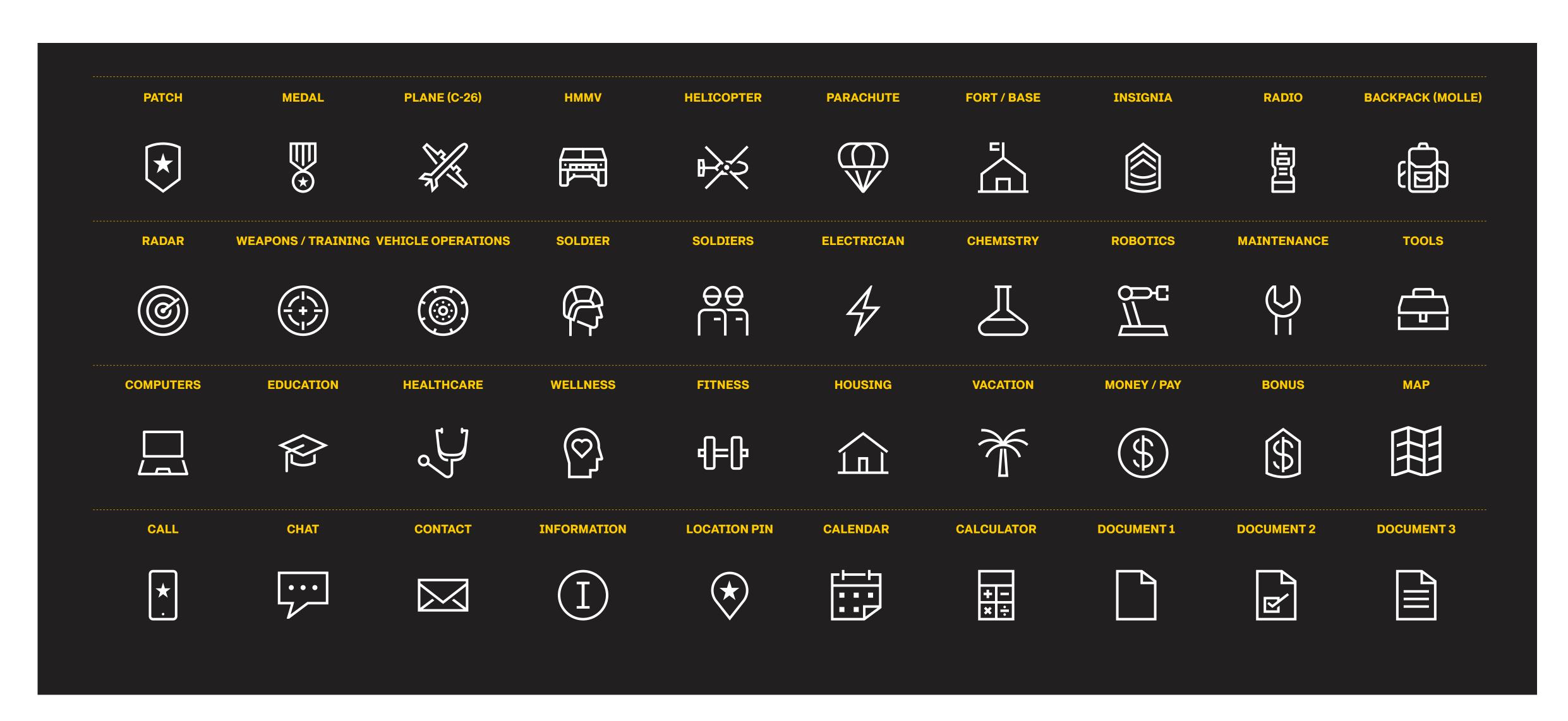
The examples on this page illustrate some, but not all, potential uses of icons and G.I.

ICONS SHOWN HERE AT 100%



ICON AND G.I. PAIRING EXAMPLES

Icon examples



10 DATA VISUALIZATION

Data visualization is how we represent information and data, using graphics and other visual elements. U.S. Army data visualization presents quantitative information through simple, smart, clear visualizations that emphasize precision and accuracy.

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Data visualization styles

There are two styles of data visualization, reporting and expressive. Both styles leverage the Army's core visual identity elements to create diverse, flexible content while retaining visual consistency.

REPORTING

EXPRESSIVE

Data visualization style: Reporting

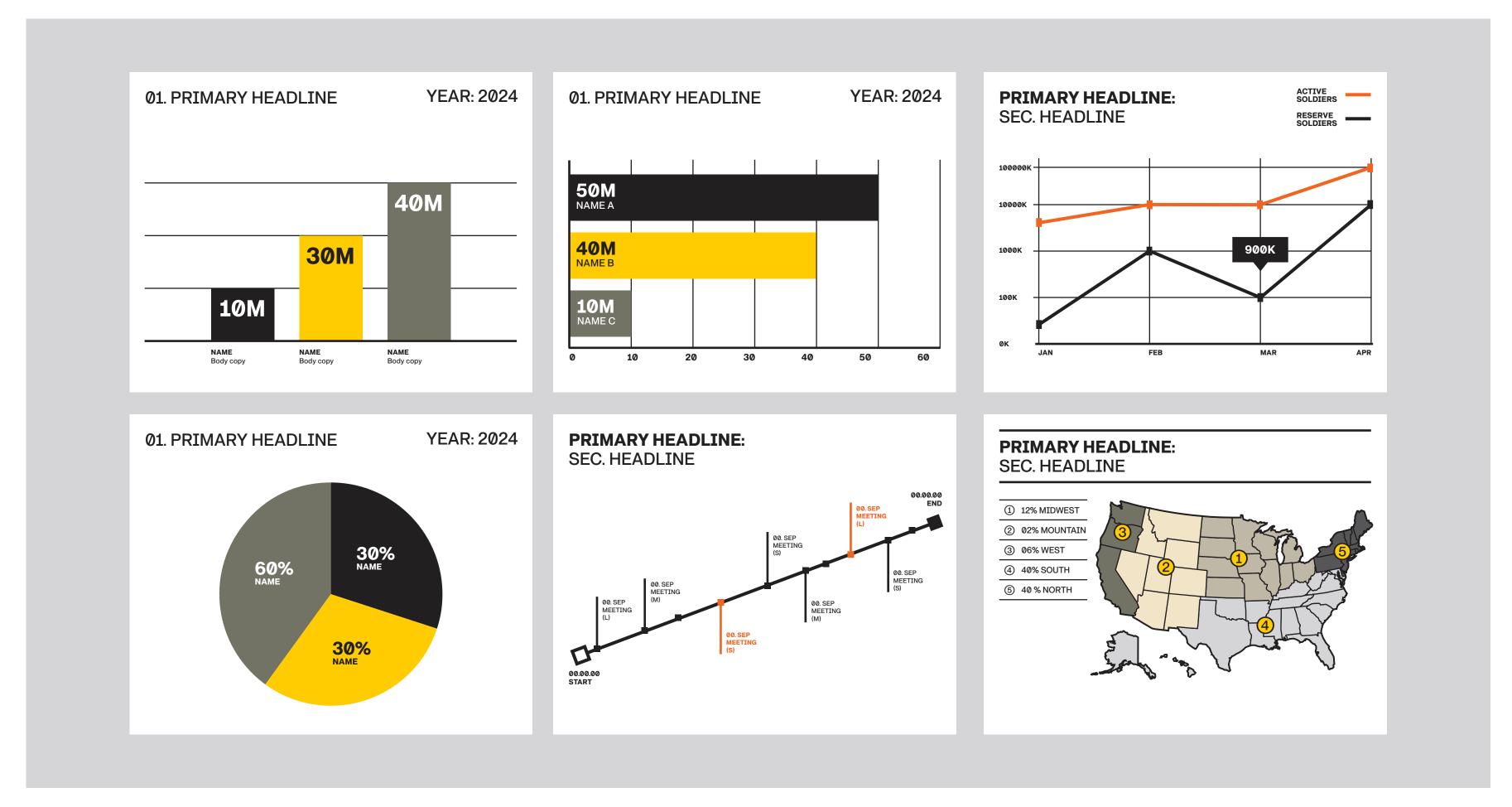
This style is primarily used for **internalfacing content**, such as reports and presentations, that is largely data driven.

Elements rendered in this style should present information in a clear and digestible manner.

This style is characterized by its simplicity and use of white backgrounds.

The **examples** on the following slides model a variety of charts. Charts include, but are not limited to, **bar charts**, **line charts**, **pie charts**, **tables**, **timelines**, and **maps**.

Note: The following examples are not to scale. They should be resized in accordance to the document in which they reside.



EXAMPLES OF REPORTING STYLE

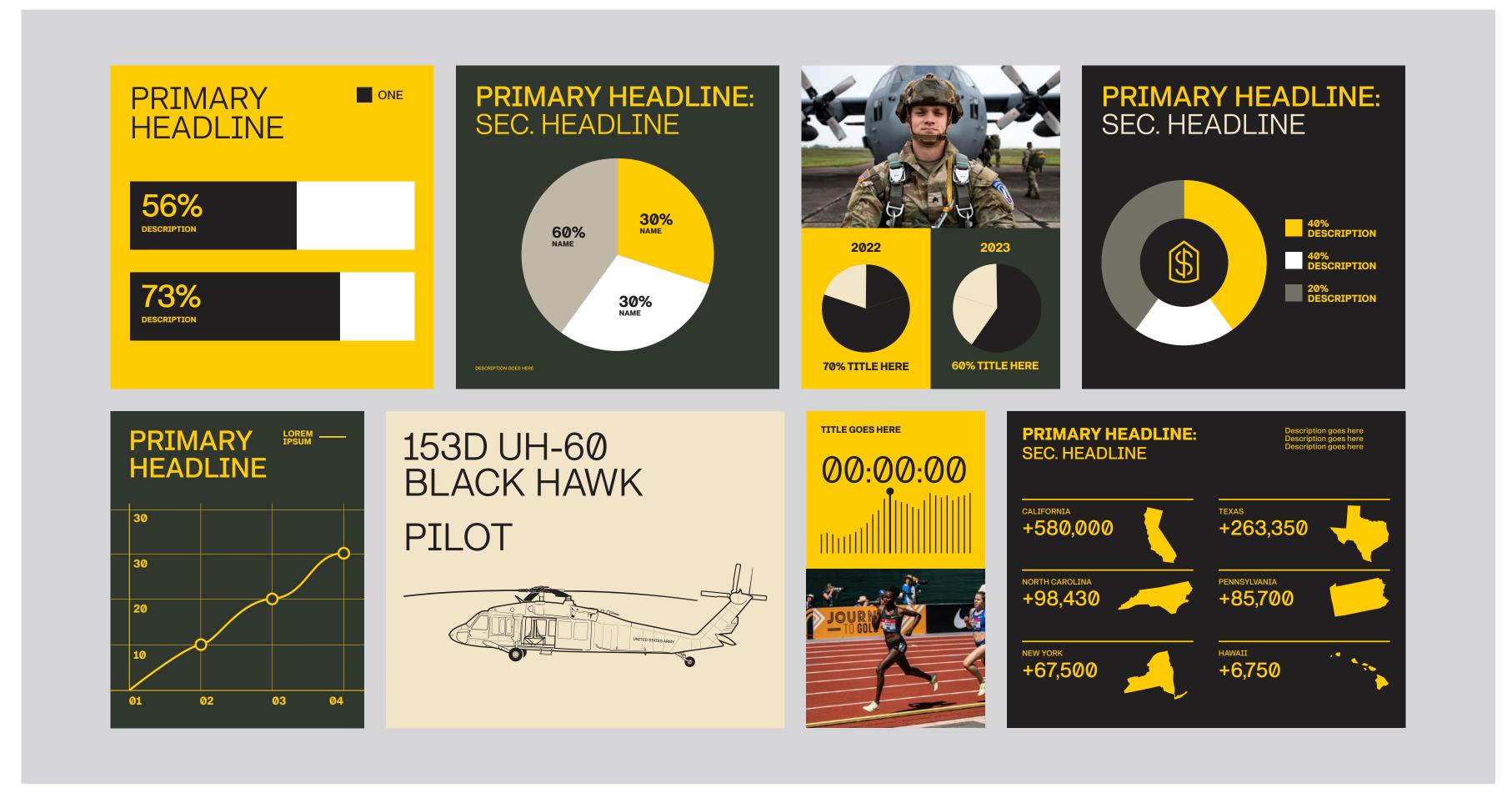
Data visualization style: Expressive

This style is used primarily for **external-facing communications** such as social media, email, and websites.

Expressive style is characterized by the use of **Army's primary colors** and bold compositions. Content rendered in this style should be **dynamic and engaging**.

The following slides include **examples** of a range of charts, including, but not limited to, **bar charts**, **line charts**, **pie charts**, **maps**, **diagrams**, and **timelines**.

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EXAMPLES OF EXPRESSIVE STYLE.

11 TAGLINE

Our *Be All You Can Be* tagline is the most succinct and memorable external-facing expression of the "possibilities" of our brand positioning and is intended for use across brand communications as a supporting visual element.

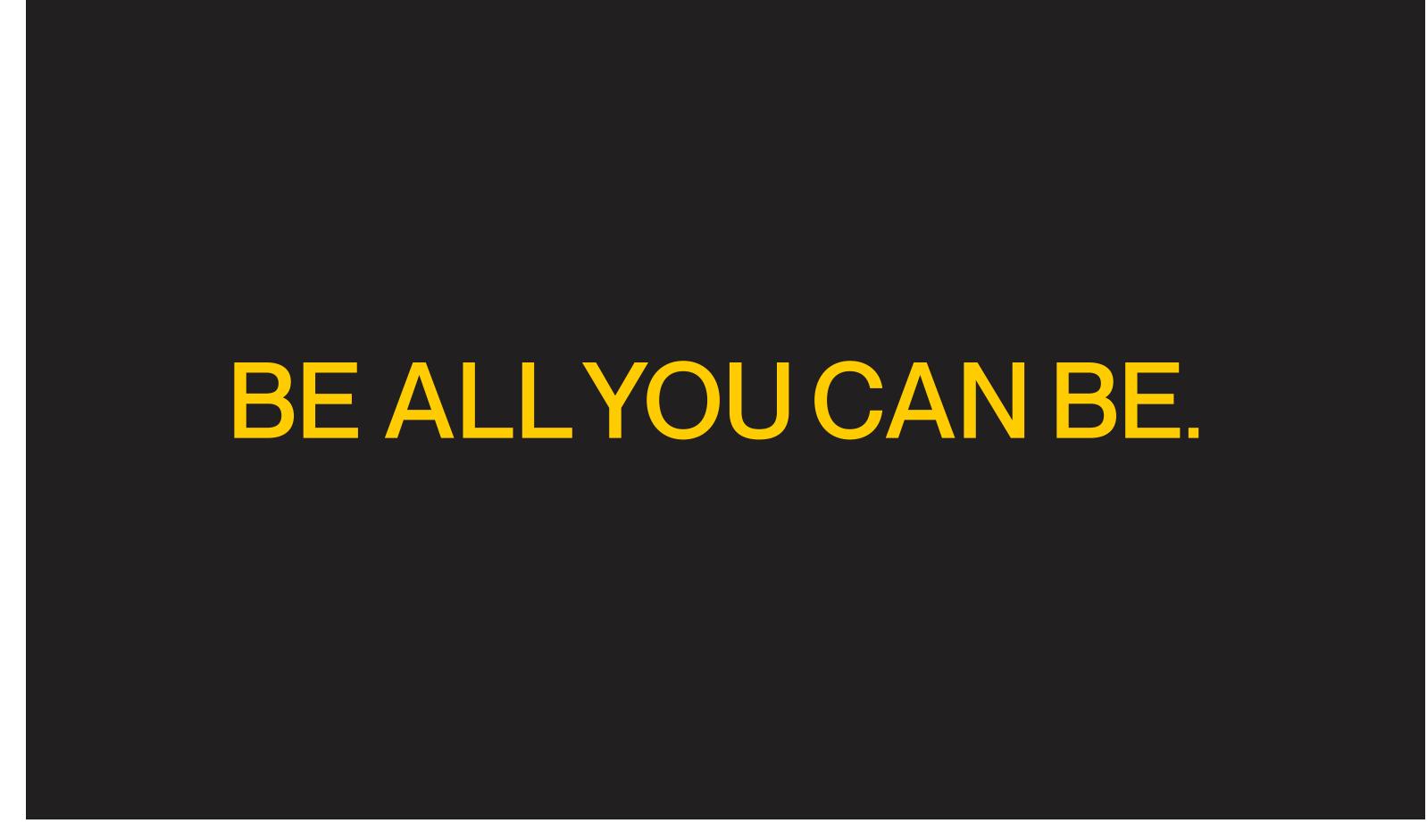
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The U.S. Army Tagline

The U.S. taglines are carefully rendered artwork that should not be modified. The tagline type is not a font, but a rendered piece of artwork that should not be adjusted in any way.

Always use provided assets and never try to re-create the asset yourself.

Minimum clear space has been built into the .ai artwork files. Sizes indicated in this PDF refer to the overall height of the visible artwork, and do not include the clear space.



THE U.S. ARMY PRIMARY TAGLINE

Tagline formats

The U.S. Army tagline is available in horizontal and stacked configurations.

The tagline's size, position, spacing, and relationship to its surrounding elements have been carefully defined and should not be altered in any way other than as outlined in these guidelines.

Tagline 1 is the horizontal configuration. It is the preferred and primary tagline. It should always be used unless format dictates otherwise.

Tagline 2 is the stacked configuration.

It is the alternate and secondary tagline. It should be used only in cases where the primary tagline is not appropriate.

Trademark versions of both taglines are also provided. If a [™] is needed, use these versions. Do not typeset the [™].



TAGLINE 1: PRIMARY HORIZONTAL TAGLINE



TAGLINE 1: PRIMARY HORIZONTAL TAGLINE WITH TM



TAGLINE 2: SECONDARY STACKED TAGLINE

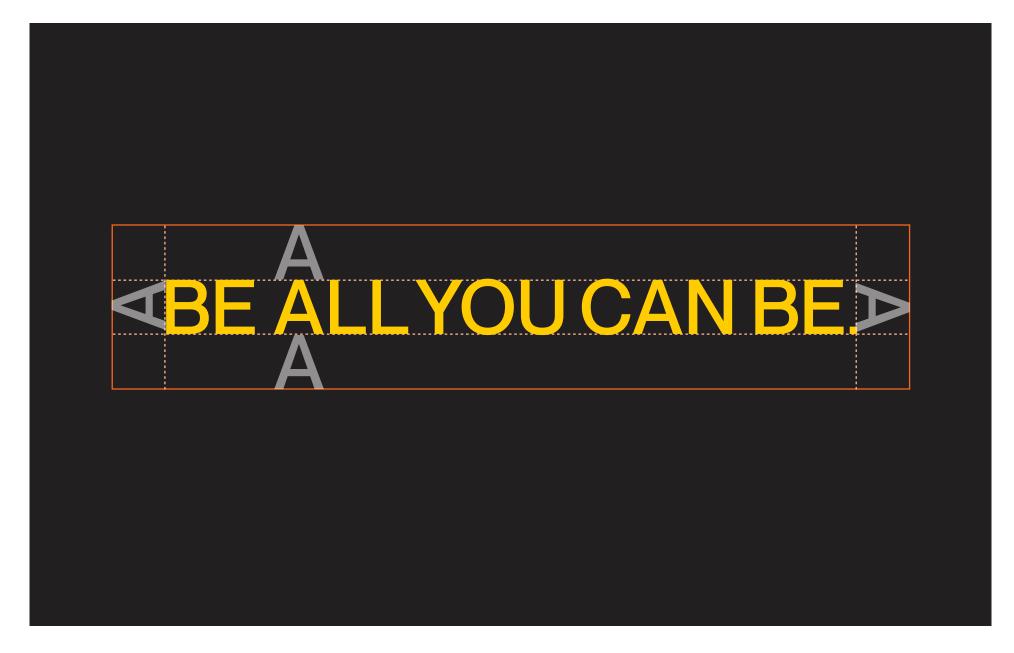


TAGLINE 2: SECONDARY STACKED TAGLINE WITH TM

Tagline clear space

Maintaining an appropriate amount of space around our tagline ensures that it is clear and legible. Always follow this spacing requirement and keep other graphic elements and text out of this area.

Clear space around our tagline is based on the height of the letter "A" in our tagline. It helps ensure that the U.S. Army tagline is easy to read and recognize.





RETAIN A MINIMUM CLEAR SPACE OF THE "A" HEIGHT AROUND ALL SIDES OF THE PRIMARY TAGLINE, AS SHOWN ABOVE.



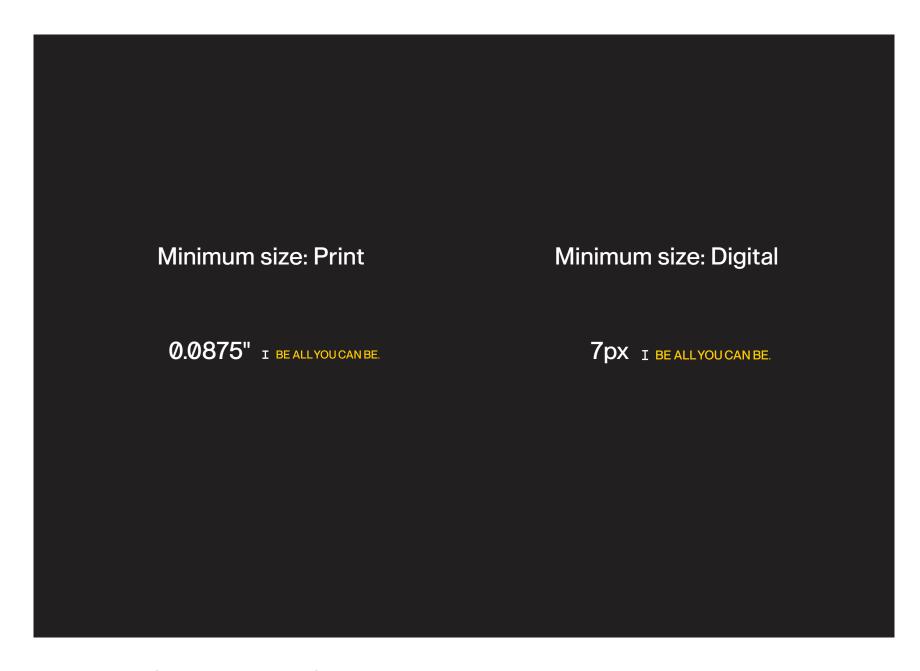
SECONDARY TAGLINE CLEAR SPACE

RETAIN A MINIMUM CLEAR SPACE OF THE "A" HEIGHT AROUND ALL SIDES OF THE SECONDARY TAGLINE, AS SHOWN ABOVE.

Tagline minimum size

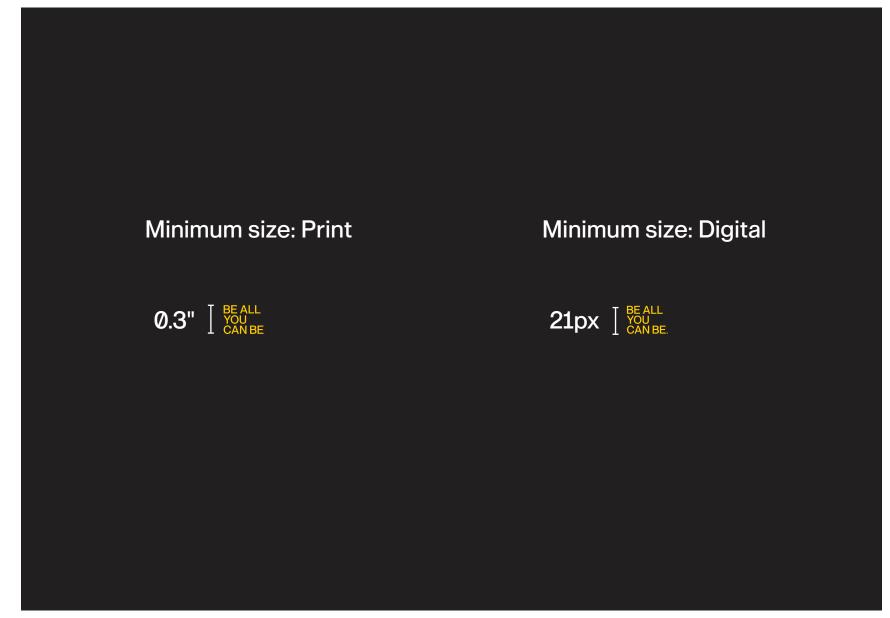
Avoid representing the primary tagline or secondary tagline smaller than the minimum size. Always be sure to present the taglines so that they may be clear, legible and impactful.

For some digital applications with restricted dimensions, such as web banners, the tagline may need to be smaller than the suggested minimum size. In such special cases, retain as much legibility as possible.



PRIMARY TAGLINE MINIMUM SIZE

MINIMUM SIZE FOR PRINT APPLICATIONS IS 0.0875" TALL. MINIMUM SIZE FOR DIGITAL APPLICATIONS IS 7PX TALL).



SECONDARY TAGLINE MINIMUM SIZE

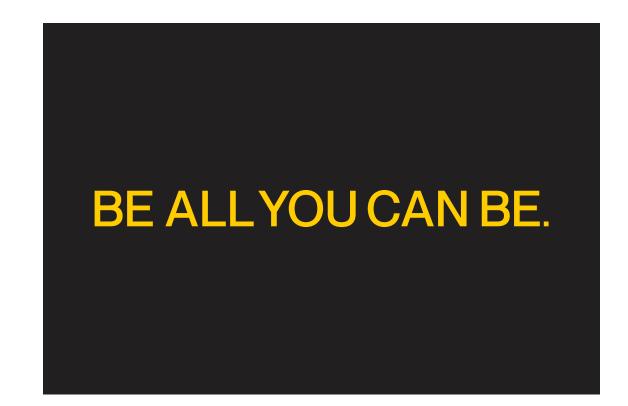
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Tagline color usage

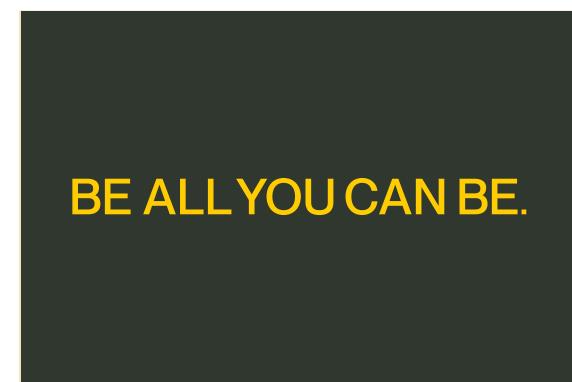
The preferred Army Gold tagline, when placed on a solid color background, will appear on the Army Black.

When placed over an image, use the Army Gold tagline. Be sure to guarantee that the tagline maintains enough contrast with the background image to maintain clarity and legibility.

Use the Army Black tagline on Army Gold, Tan and White backgrounds.



TAGLINE 1
ARMY GOLD ON ARMY BLACK



TAGLINE 1
ARMY GOLD ON ARMY GREEN



TAGLINE 1
ARMY GOLD ON IMAGE

BE ALLYOU CAN BE.

TAGLINE 1
ARMY BLACK ON ARMY GOLD

BE ALLYOU CAN BE.

TAGLINE 1
ARMY BLACK ON TAN

BE ALLYOU CAN BE.

TAGLINE 1
ARMY BLACK ON WHITE

Tagline: things to avoid

The examples on this page illustrate some, but not all, potential misuses of the tagline. These rules apply to all versions of the tagline.



DON'T TYPESET THE TAGLINE WITH DIFFERENT FONTS.



DON'T CHANGE THE COLOR OF THE TAGLINE. USE THE PROVIDED COLOR VERSIONS.



DON'T ADD DROP SHADOWS OR OTHER EFFECTS.



DON'T REARRANGE OR RE-BREAK THE TAGLINE.



DON'T USE THE TAGLINE AS A WATERMARK.



DON'T PLACE THE TAGLINE TOO CLOSE TO OTHER ELEMENTS, SUCH AS TEXT, IMAGES, OR THE EDGE OF THE PAGE.

12 BRAND ARCHITECTURE

Brand architecture allows an organization like the U.S. Army to reach prospects more effectively. When prospects can navigate our entire portfolio more easily and clearly, they have a better understanding of the full breadth and depth of what the Army does—and that helps them make more informed recruitment decisions.

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What is brand architecture?

Brand architecture is the model that helps an organization like the U.S. Army to present its offerings to external audiences in a clear and strategically effective way.

Brand architecture is distinct from organizational structure, so it doesn't reflect internal reporting lines. Rather, it's built from an outside-in perspective to define the way that customers will interact with the organization.

In the U.S. Army, brand architecture is a key component of our overall strategy. It provides the structure that helps us deliver a consistent and compelling experience in every prospect interaction.

By building and embracing a strategically sound brand architecture, we're helping to ensure that we meet our prospects' needs, and maximize our recruiting success—and, ultimately, the success of the U.S. Army.

Brand architecture approach

We deploy a family of brands architecture approach, which leverages the U.S. Army master brand across the portfolio when appropriate and leaves room for component brands to build their own equity while still connected to the master brand.

What it achieves:

- Broadens Total Army associations
- Unlocks greater differentiation for strategic Components
 - Establishes a clearly distinctive value proposition
 - Better aligns to prospect goals and passions
 - Highlights unique lifestyle and skill sets
 - Addresses specific barriers to consideration
 - Allows for more targeted marketing that speaks to prospect needs
- Inspires a sense of ownership, pride and loyalty for current and former Component members
- Makes it easy and cost effective to manage the brand architecture



PLACEHOLDER LOGOS FOR DEMONSTRATION PURPOSES

How we deploy our family of brands

KEY PRINCIPLES

Broaden associations

Leverage the brand architecture to help reposition the Army as a modern, multi-faceted organization that offers a range of career possibilities and helps people of all backgrounds and interests find their passion.

Act like family

Deploy the compo identities strategically—both together and individually—to communicate and connect with target audiences. Treat Reserve and National Guard as equally important career options for prospects alongside each other.

Flex, within a framework

Create a system of brand identity elements for the Army that have the right degree of flexibility to support communications and target audiences across media types with a unified look and feel.

Our brand hierarchy model

There are six levels to our brand hierarchy model

This diagram details the levels of our brand architecture model and provides examples of how brands from our portfolio fit into it.

L1	Enterprise brand	*	J.S. ARN	MY										
L2	Component brands	U.S. ARMY*			ARMY NATIONAL GUARD									
L3	Ways to serve & contribute	OFFICER				ENLISTED					CIVILIAN†			
L4	Occupational specialty (branch insignia)	Adjutant General Financial Management	Air Defense Artillery Infantry	Armor Judge Advocate	Aviation Medical	Army Music Military Intelligence	Cavalry Scouts Military Police	Chaplain Ordnance	Chemical Psychological Operations	Civil Affairs Public Affairs	Cyber Quartermaster	Electronic Warfare Signal	Engineer Special Forces	Field Artillery Transportation
L5	Divisions & units (examples)	75th Ranger Regiment 1st Special Forces Group	160th Special Ops Aviation Regiment 98th Civil Affairs Battalion	101st Airborne Division 91st Civil Affairs Battalion	10th Mountain Division 36th Infantry Division	1st Cavalry Division 94th Infantry Division	1st Armored Division 8th PSYOP Battalion	82nd Airborne Division 3rd PSYOP Battalion	1st Infantry Division 2nd Infantry Division	25th Infantry Division 3rd Infantry Division	38th Infantry Division (NG) 5th Special Forces Group	Special Operations 42nd Infantry Division	104th Infantry Division 7th Infantry Division	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 100th Infantry Division (AR)
L6	Official emblems (examples)						A WIND W	A GUARD *						

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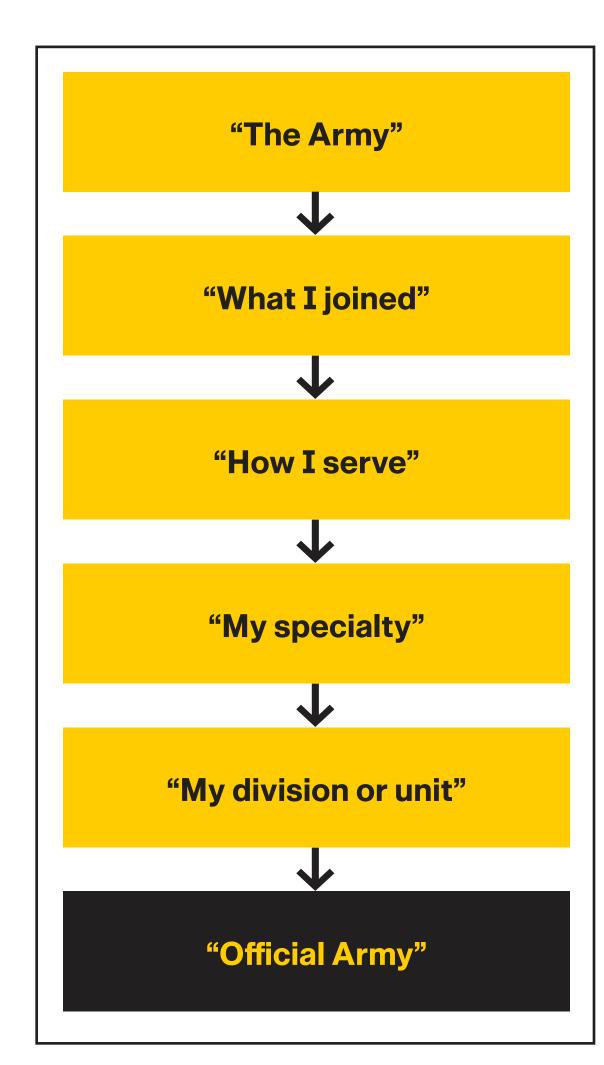
* REFERS TO ACTIVE ARMY

† CIVILIANS PLAY A VITAL ROLE WORKING FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY AND CONTRIBUTING TO THE ARMY'S SUCCESS.

UPCOMING RESEARCH AND STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT WILL INFORM FINAL ARCHITECTURE.

Our brand hierarchy model

L1	Enterprise brand	The parent brand for the Army's family of brands.	U.S. ARMY
L2	Component brands	Strategic sub-brands that dimensionalize the parent brand.	ARMY NATIONAL GUARD *
L3	Ways to serve	Sub-categories that identify the high-level personnel roles within the compo brands.	Enlisted
L4	Occupational specialty (branch insignia)	Group identifiers that designate the range of occupations and skill sets within the Army.	
L 5	Divisions & units (examples)	Group identifiers that designate the divisions or units within the Army.	
L6	Official emblems (examples)	Organizational identifiers that endorse official actions and communications from the Army.	TATES OF THE



Each level of our brand hierarchy helps guide our prospect journey

PLACEHOLDER LOGOS FOR DEMONSTRATION PURPOSES

Signature system fundamentals

The signature system provides usage guidelines for working with the Army enterprise logo (L1) and secondary brands (L2, L5)

Foundational brand

The enterprise Army logo is always clearly positioned as the foundational brand in all Army communication.

ARMY ENTERPRISE LOGO



The Army enterprise logo is available in two different formats.

LOGO 1 (HORIZONTAL)

LOGO 2



Usage guidelines

Each format works differently when appearing with secondary brands.

DEFAULT AND PREFERRED ASSET FOR MOST ARMY COMMUNICATIONS

Does not lock up with secondary brand assets

Visual relationship is responsive

Used for small space co-brand applications (ex: digital banner)

Able to lock up with secondary brand assets

Visual relationship is fixed





Logo 1 (horizontal) fundamentals

In order to maximize the equity of the enterprise brand while also highlighting the strength of the Army's various sub brands, Logo 1 should be used in relation to secondary brand assets for most Army communications.

DEFAULT AND PREFERRED ASSET FOR MOST ARMY COMMUNICATIONS

Use the horizontal version of the Enterprise brand wherever you can as it is the default and preferred method for expressing the logo.

DOES NOT LOCK UP WITH SECONDARY BRAND ASSETS

The horizontal logo does not lock up with secondary brand assets, it stands on its own, and is clearly positioned as the foundational brand in communications.

VISUAL RELATIONSHIP WITH SECONDARY BRAND ASSETS IS RESPONSIVE

There is flexibility in how the enterprise brand shows up with sub-brands, allowing the sub-brands to shine if and where needed. This relationship allows the strengths of the sub-brands to be highlighted without diluting the equity of the enterprise brand.

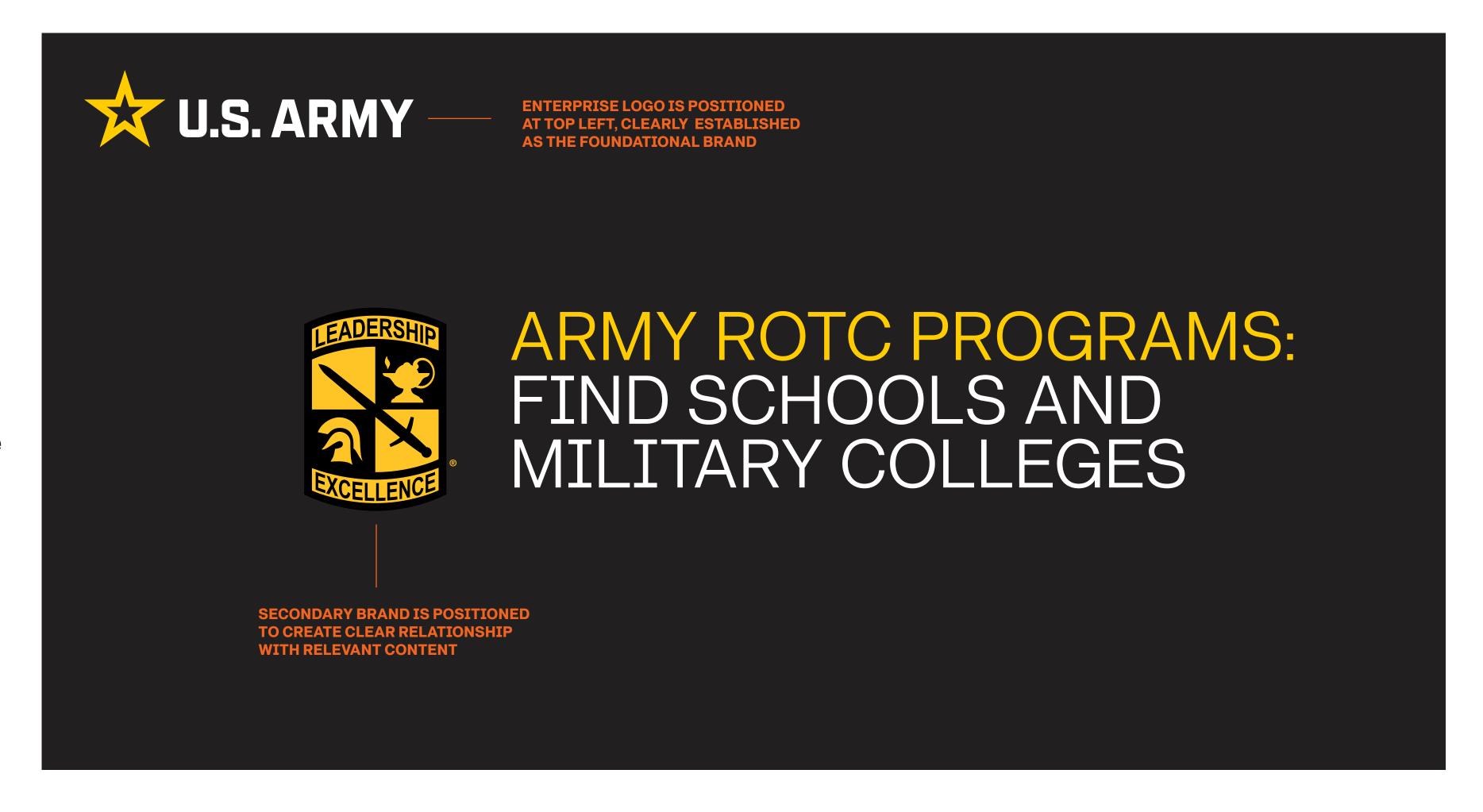
Applying Logo 1 (horizontal)

The enterprise Army logo is always clearly positioned as the foundational brand in all Army communications.

Taking into account the brand guidelines, the format and context of the communication, this often means positioning at top left corner—however this is not always the case (for example, the end card/signoff of a video is the placement the foundational brand).

Secondary portfolio logos (L2, L5) are positioned with a logical proximity and relationship to relevant content elements.

Note: The horizontal enterprise Army logo does not lock up with any assets.



Logo 2 (stacked) fundamentals

Use Logo 2 (stacked) sparingly. Logo 2 should only be used as an alternative for select occasions where space or content limitations dictate a locked-up presentation of brand assets.

ABLE TO LOCK UP WITH SECONDARY BRAND ASSETS

The preference is to use the horizontal logo and not lock it up in a fixed relationship with other sub-brands. When a logo lockup is required involving the enterprise brand, use the stacked enterprise logo as it aligns better with the nature of the other sub-brands and is optimally designed for a lockup circumstance.

Do not lock-up nor use the stacked logo unless absolutely necessary.

USED FOR SMALL SPACE APPLICATIONS (E.G., DIGITAL BANNER)

The stacked version of the logo should only be used when required due to space requirements as well as in true external co-branding situations. It is to be used as a last resort, with the horizontal version of the logo being the default. A lock up of the enterprise logo with any secondary brand asset should only occur in internal communications, as secondary brand assets are meant to be primarily internal facing.

VISUAL RELATIONSHIP IS FIXED

The enterprise logo and sub-brand logos are always fixed in position, locked up to each other. By locking up the stacked enterprise logo on the left with the corresponding sub-brand on the right, it enables the enterprise logo to be highlighted without diluting the equity of the sub-brands.

Creating an enterprise Army logo lock-up

The enterprise logo is always positioned on the left side as the foundational brand element.

The horizontal distance between the two logos is defined by (2X) the height of the enterprise wordmark.

The secondary logo is scaled to fit within the same height and width of the enterprise logo.

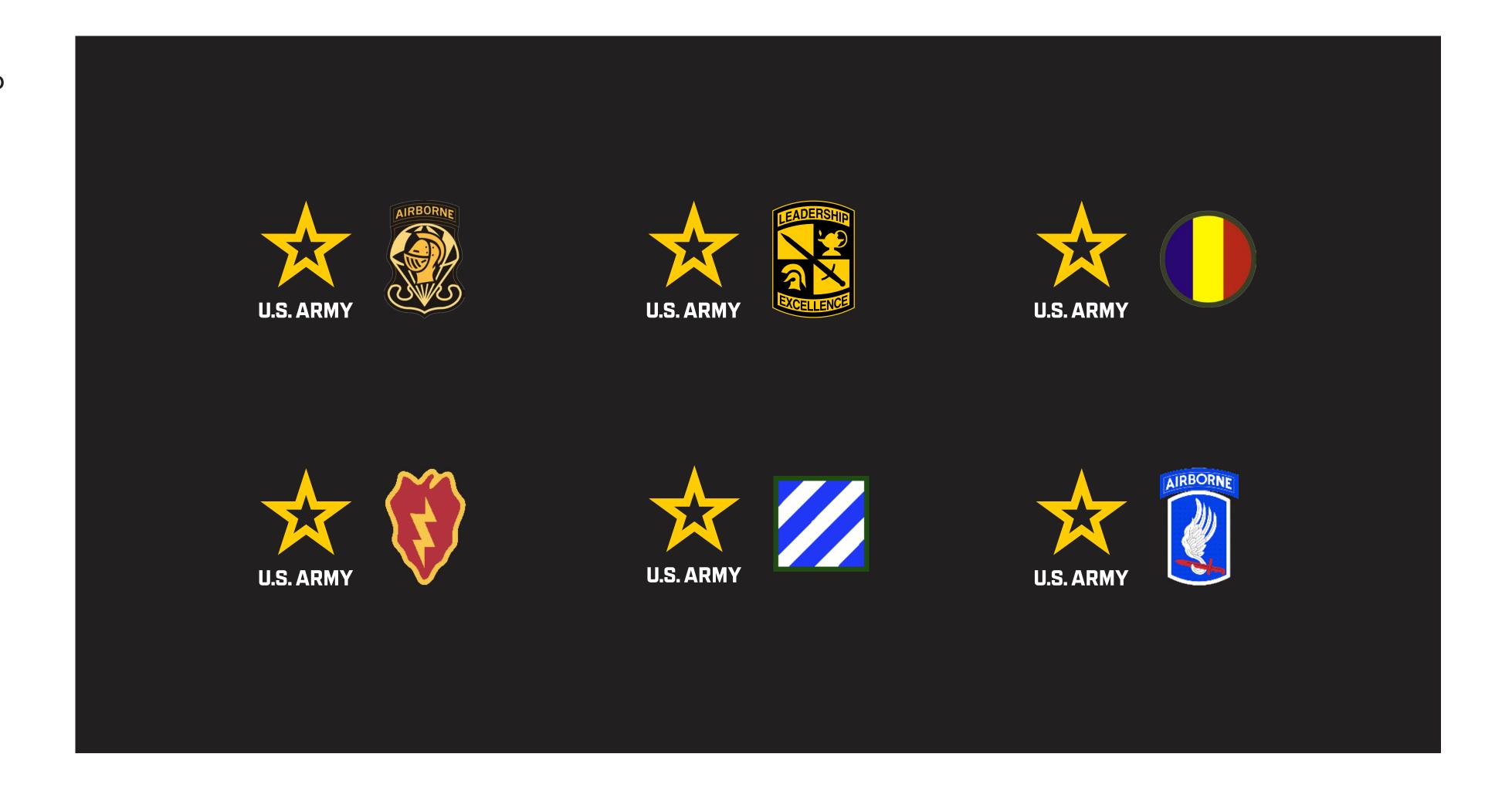
If the secondary logo reaches the same height of the enterprise logo and is within the width of enterprise logo, it aligns to the top and bottom of the enterprise logo and left side of the designated field.

If the secondary logo reaches the same width of the enterprise logo and before it reaches the height of the enterprise logo (square and round assets, for example) it aligns vertically to the enterprise logo.



Example logo lock-ups

Logo lock-ups are designed to clearly establish the enterprise logo as the foundational brand element, while allowing both assets to shine with pride and consistency.



13 VERBALIDENTITY

Voice guides the verbal expression of a brand. Messaging is what we say voice defines how we say it. The Army's voice should sound authentic and distinct, and be applied so consistently that our communications are instantly recognizable.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONSULT: THE U.S. ARMY VERBAL IDENTITY TOOLKIT

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Identity principles

Identity principles that guide our voice and how we speak.

Our identity principles work in concert to holistically define our voice. One principle is not complete without the others.

Combined, the principles inform the Army brand voice and tone.

Clear

We have a strong vision and compelling goals that we communicate with simple, crisp, effective wording.

Confident

We have an unwavering belief in our mission and ourselves, which we convey with certainty, conviction, and optimism.

Human

Our people are the core of who we are. Connecting with our prospects in an accessible, personal, and authentic manner is a top priority.

Identity principles: Clear

"Possibilities" conveyed: straightforward, specific, succinct

Clear is...

Clear is not...

Organized. Direct. Fact-driven.

We have concise plans. We're true to who we are. We're straightforward with what we need and what we expect in return.

Lacking in detail, nuance, or grace.

We don't forget to support or provide evidence for our claims, especially when speaking to different audiences with various needs. We are not cold or terse, despite our direct tone.

Identity principles: Confident

"Possibilities" conveyed: assured, secure, trustworthy

Confident is...

Confident is not...

Certain about value and purpose.

We are assured by our abilities, our expert skills, and our preparation. We find strength in our capacity to achieve and in the loyalty of our fellow Soldiers. We are secure in our identity, value, and purpose in this world.

Having something to prove. Complacent. Self-satisfied.

We don't put others down, think we are above growth, or believe we are too strong for support.

Identity principles: Human

"Possibilities" conveyed: accessible, authentic, supportive

Human is...

Human is not...

Genuine. Inclusive. Honest.

We believe no one can do it alone. We see people as interconnected and representative of how America finds its way forward. We communicate in a relatable manner that enables people from all backgrounds to see themselves in the Army.

Emotionally driven. Tender. Contingent.

We don't make decisions based on emotion. We don't use slang or trendy language.

The messaging story

The world needs you. The builder. The believer. The teacher. The seeker. The idealist and realist. The overachiever, problem solver, and bridge builder. The passionate thinker, who's ready to find out what their future holds. The quick mover, who wants to shape their work with purpose and intent. But turning passion into possibility takes meaningful guidance. It takes the support of a community and a country. It takes commitment to turn potential into purpose. This is what the Army can do for you. The Army shows up. The Army pushes you. The Army shows you what you're made of through countless opportunities that lead you right where you are meant to be. There are no wrong turns, no dead ends. There's only forward in the Army. You will become a part of the Army. The Army will become a part of you. Dare yourself. Challenge yourself. Be proud of yourself. Find your best and better it. Army: Be all you can be. -

WHY THIS WORDING?

We speak to Soldiers in a nuanced, human way, rather than addressing them as a homogeneous mass

We show that the Army fits into the lives of people who have a variety of goals, collaborating with them to unlock all of life's possibilities

We elevate the idea of purpose and inspiring passion in every Soldier

We demonstrate how Passion and Purpose and Community and Connection work together to create meaning

We use a human, clear, and confident voice to underscore that the Army cares about the success of its Soldiers

We emphasize that the Army brings out the best in its Soldiers, enabling them to reach their full potential

Sample rewrite: education

BEFORE

FULL-TIME SCHOOL

You can choose to serve part-time in the Army while you go to college. Many Soldiers take advantage of this unique opportunity to get career training, train a weekend a month and two weeks a year, and earn money while getting their degree.

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AFTER

Your degree. On the Army.

If education is a top priority for you, we fully support your work toward a degree. Earn a salary while attending college and participating in Army training one weekend a month and two full weeks a year.

Earn money. Earn your degree. Find your purpose.

Sample rewrite: education

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If education is a top priority for you, we fully support your work toward a degree. Earn a salary while attending college and participating in Army training one weekend a month and two full weeks a year.

Earn money. Earn your degree. Find your purpose.

WHY THIS WORDING?

We used a human, clear, and confident voice

We recognized that individuals have different needs and showed that the Army can tailor its offerings to those needs

We emphasized that the Army fits into the lives of people who have various goals and timelines

We underscored that the Army cares about the success of its Soldiers

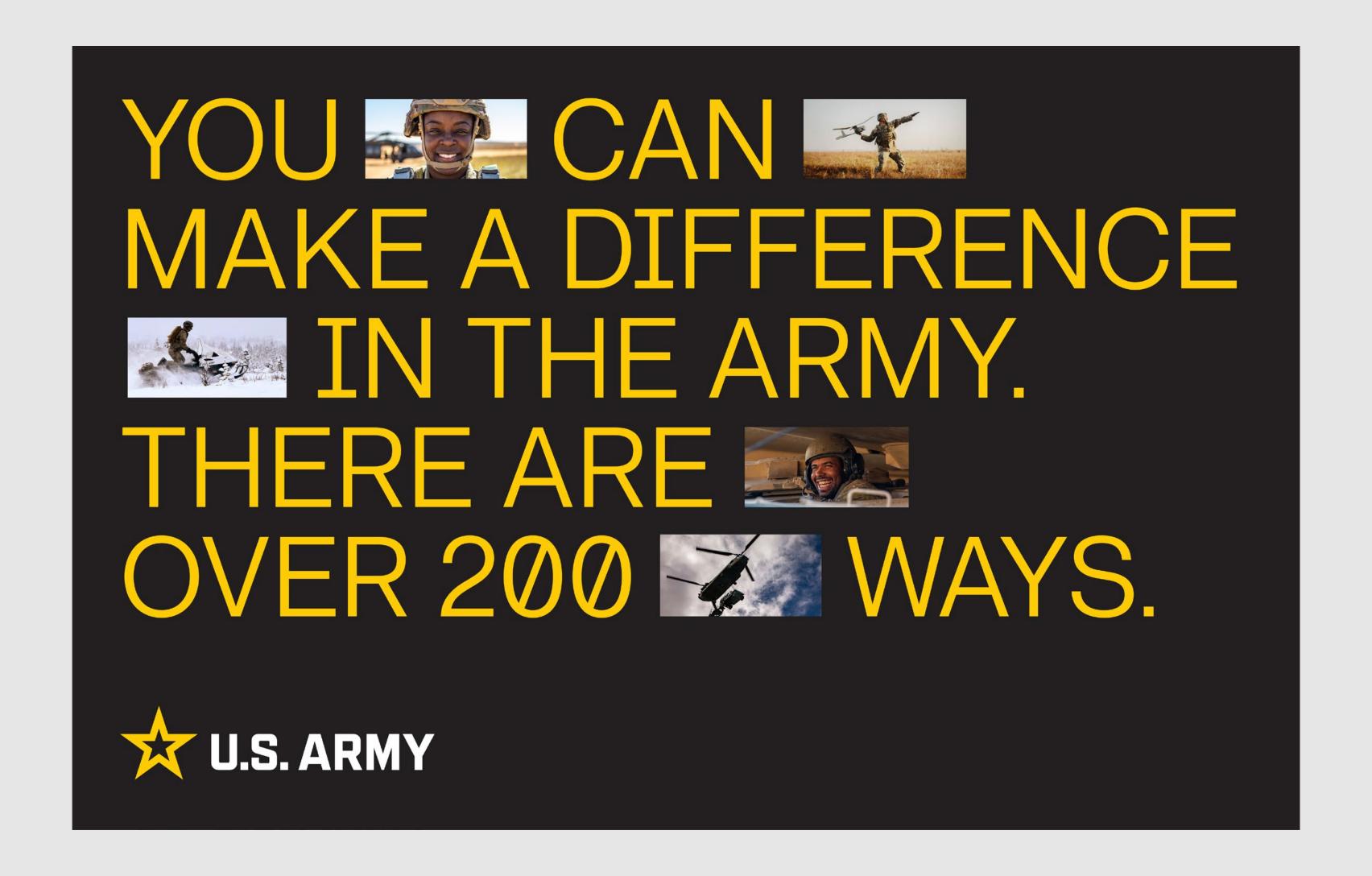
14 GALLERY

Consistent implementation of the Army's visual identity is essential to the success of our brand.

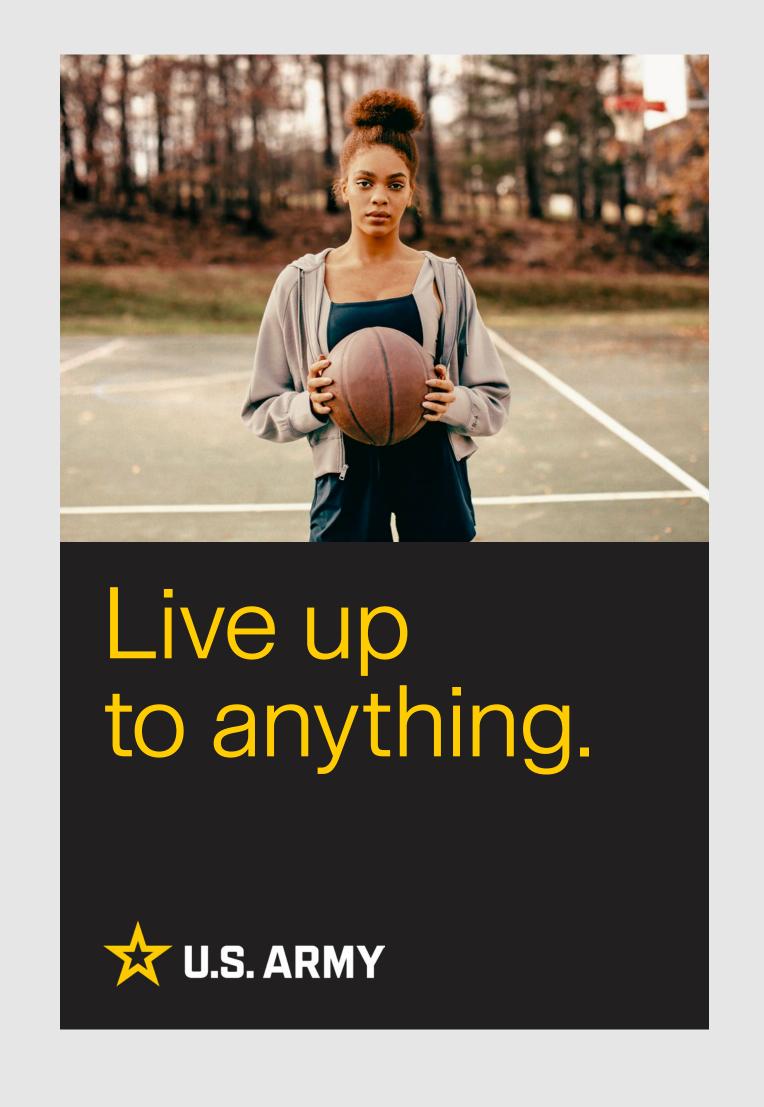
This gallery provides examples of how the Army's visual elements come together to create appealing and effective design solutions.

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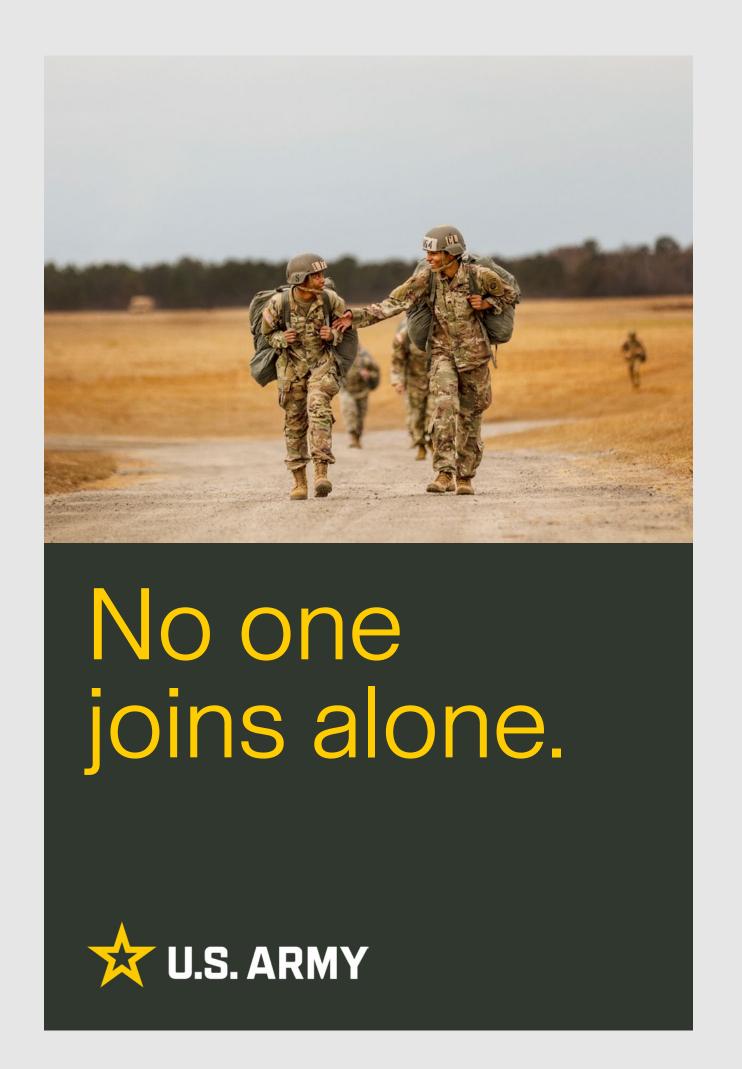
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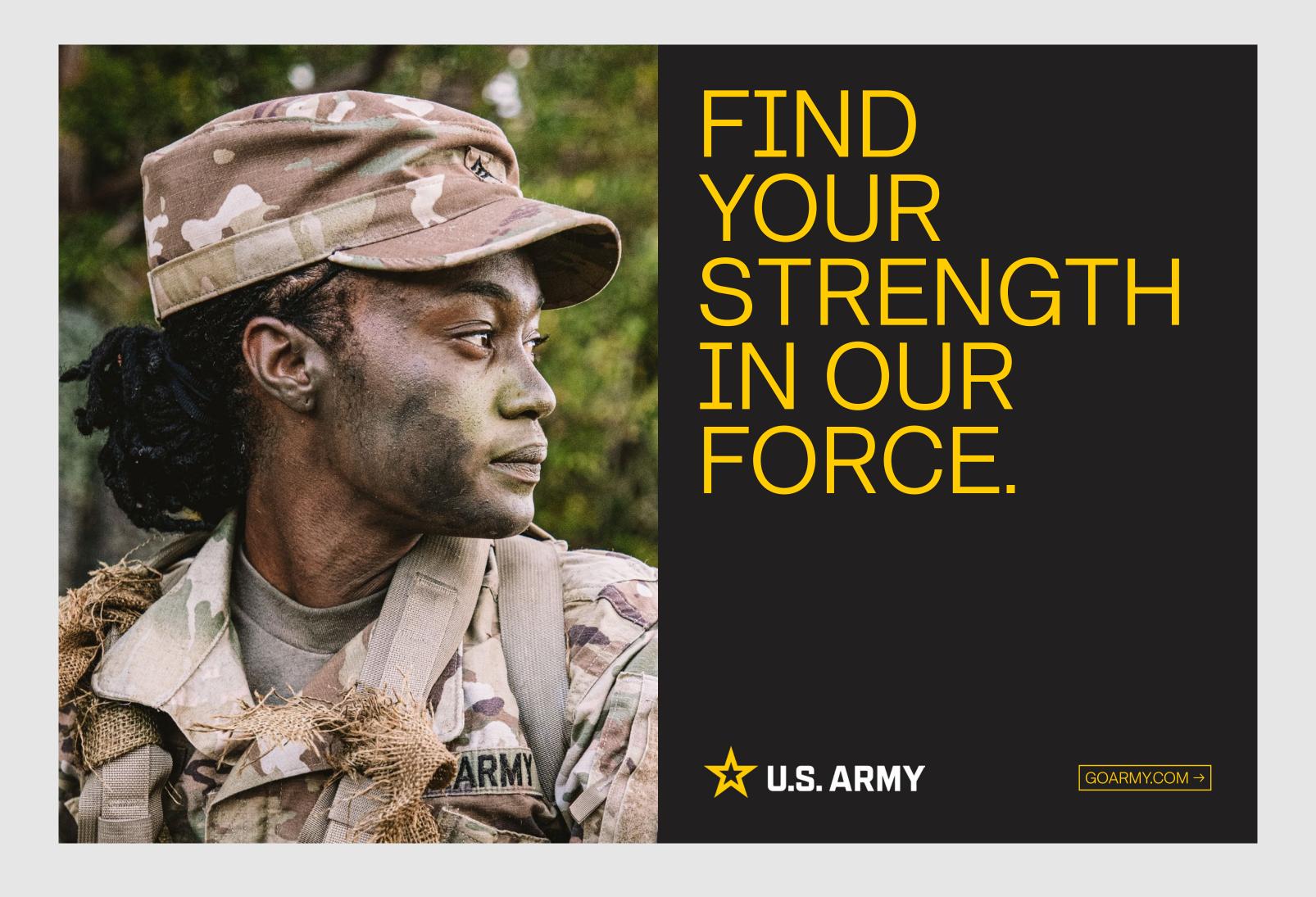


Make the most of you.

☆ U.S. ARMY



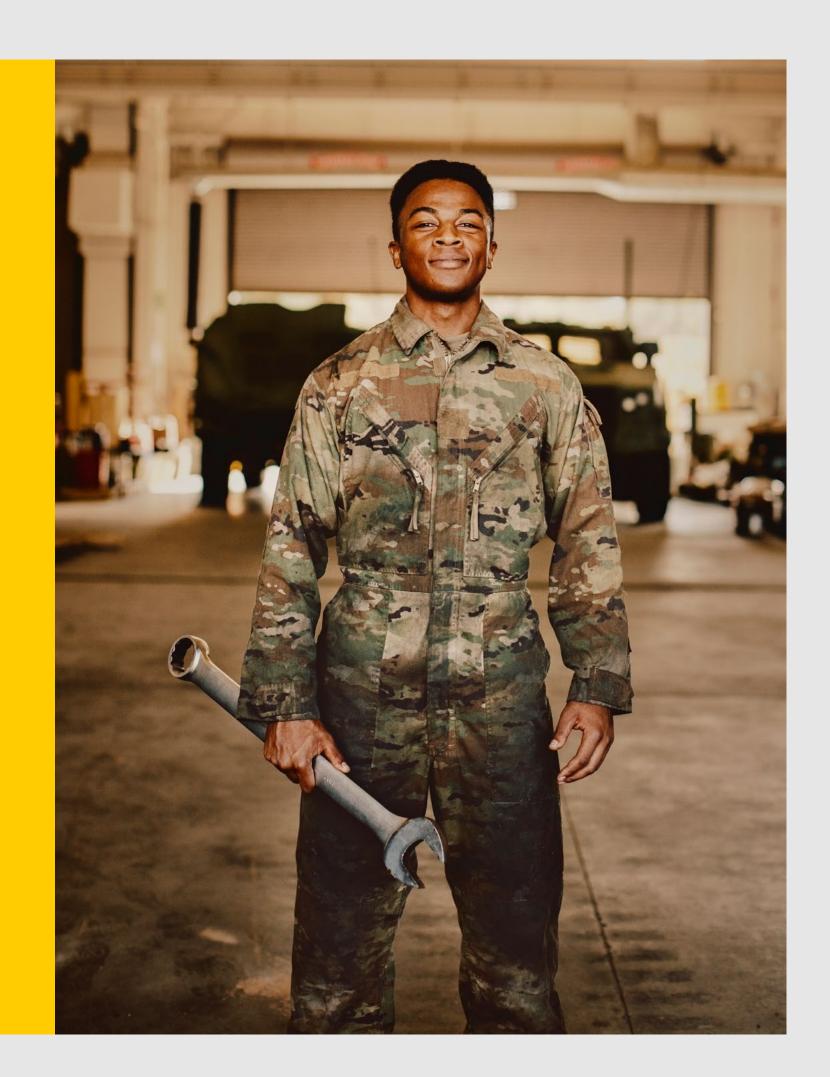




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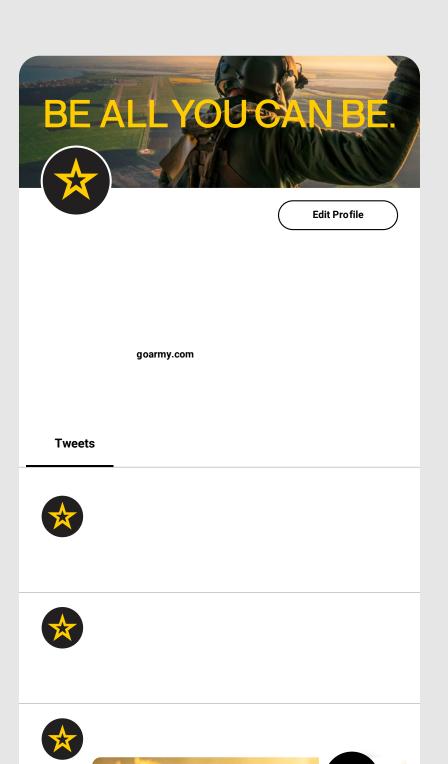
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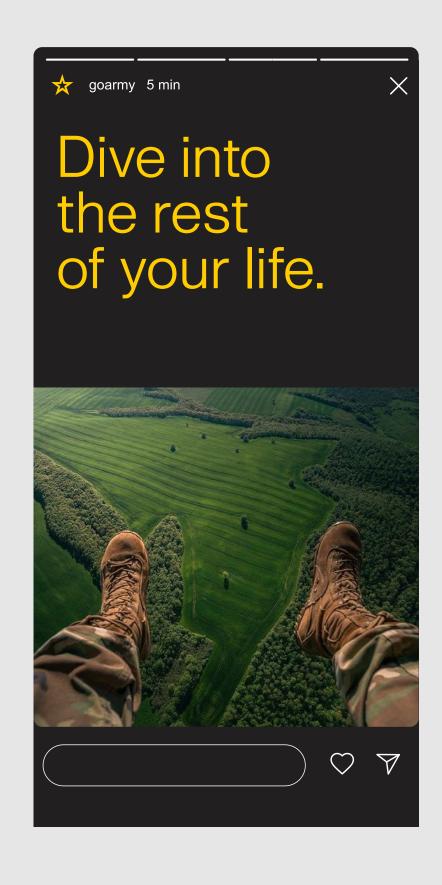
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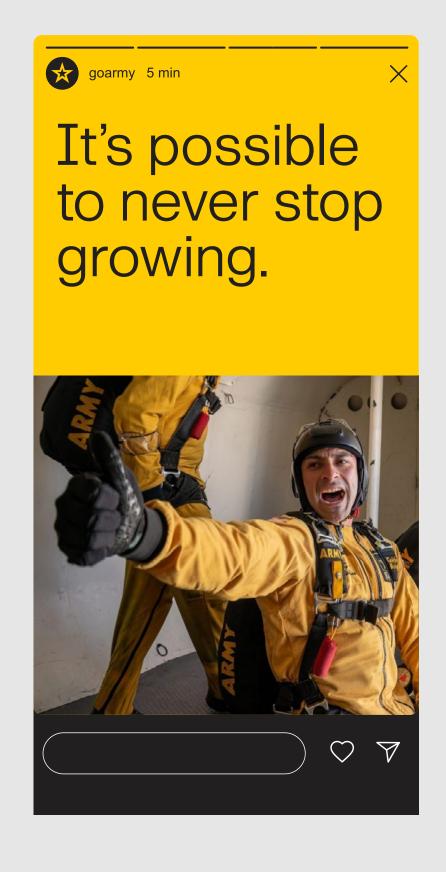
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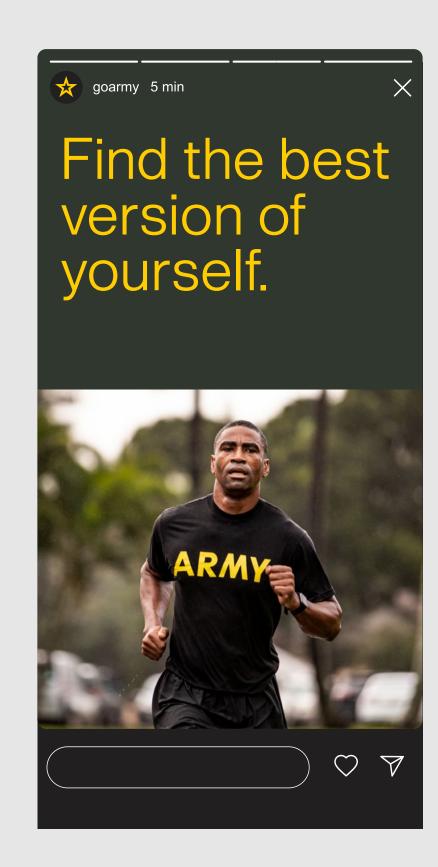
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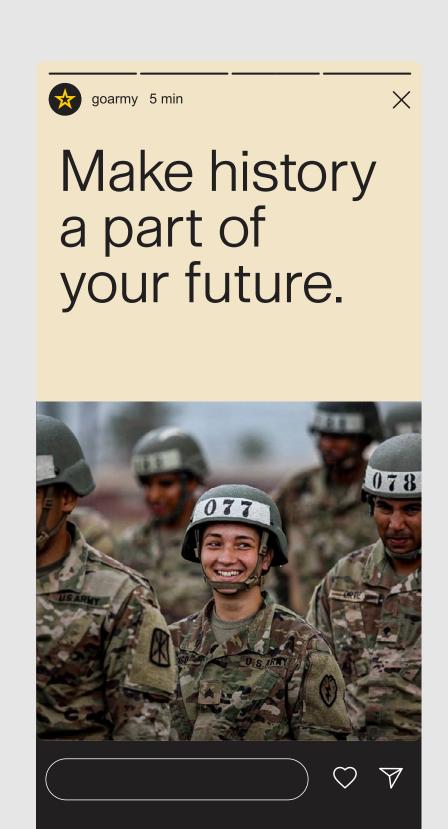
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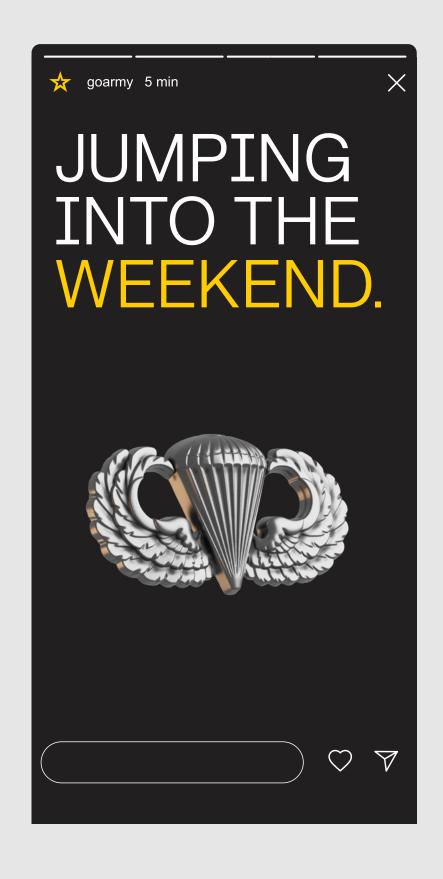


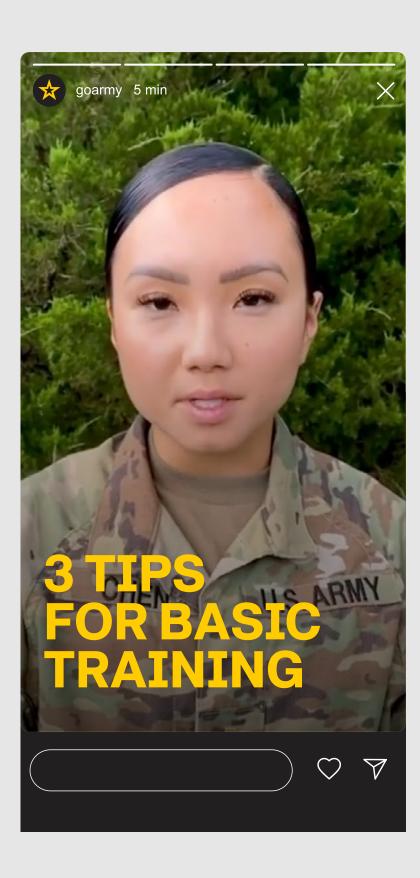


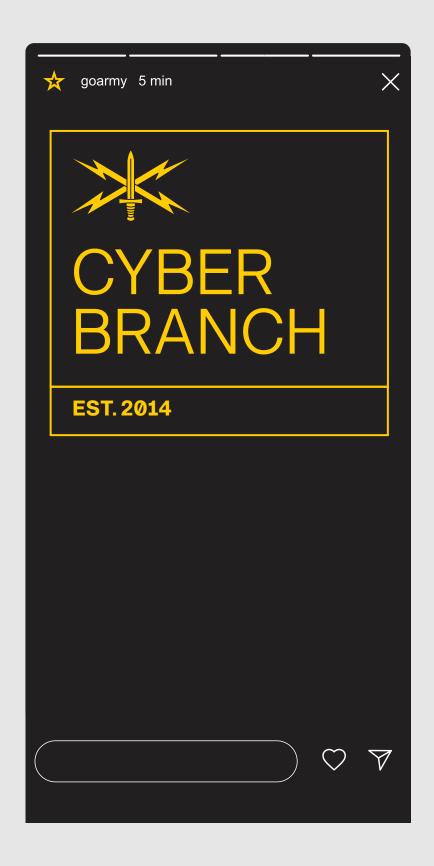


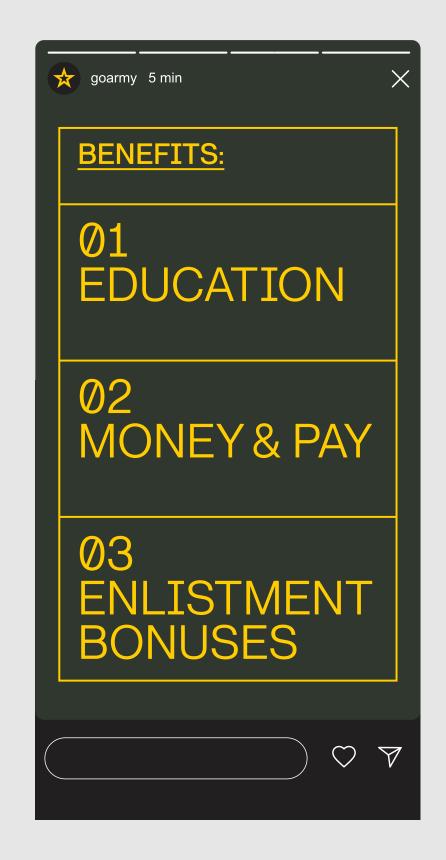


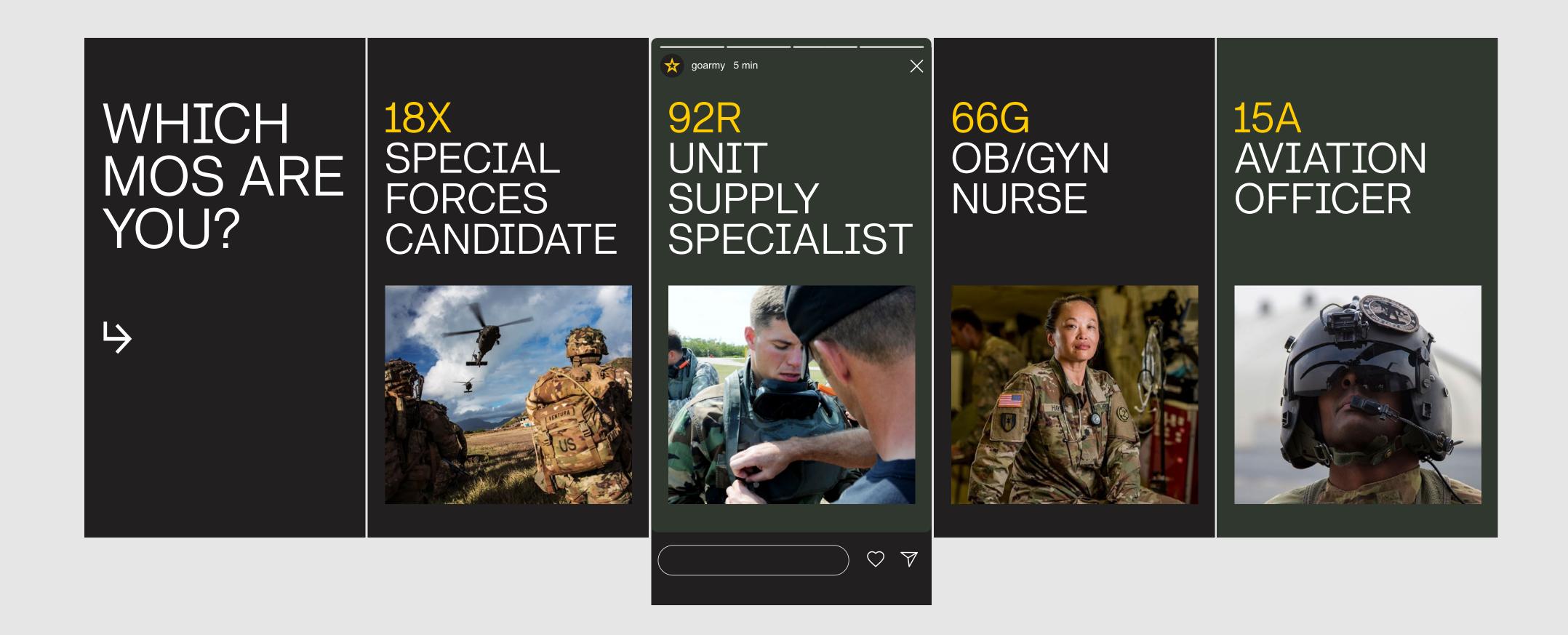


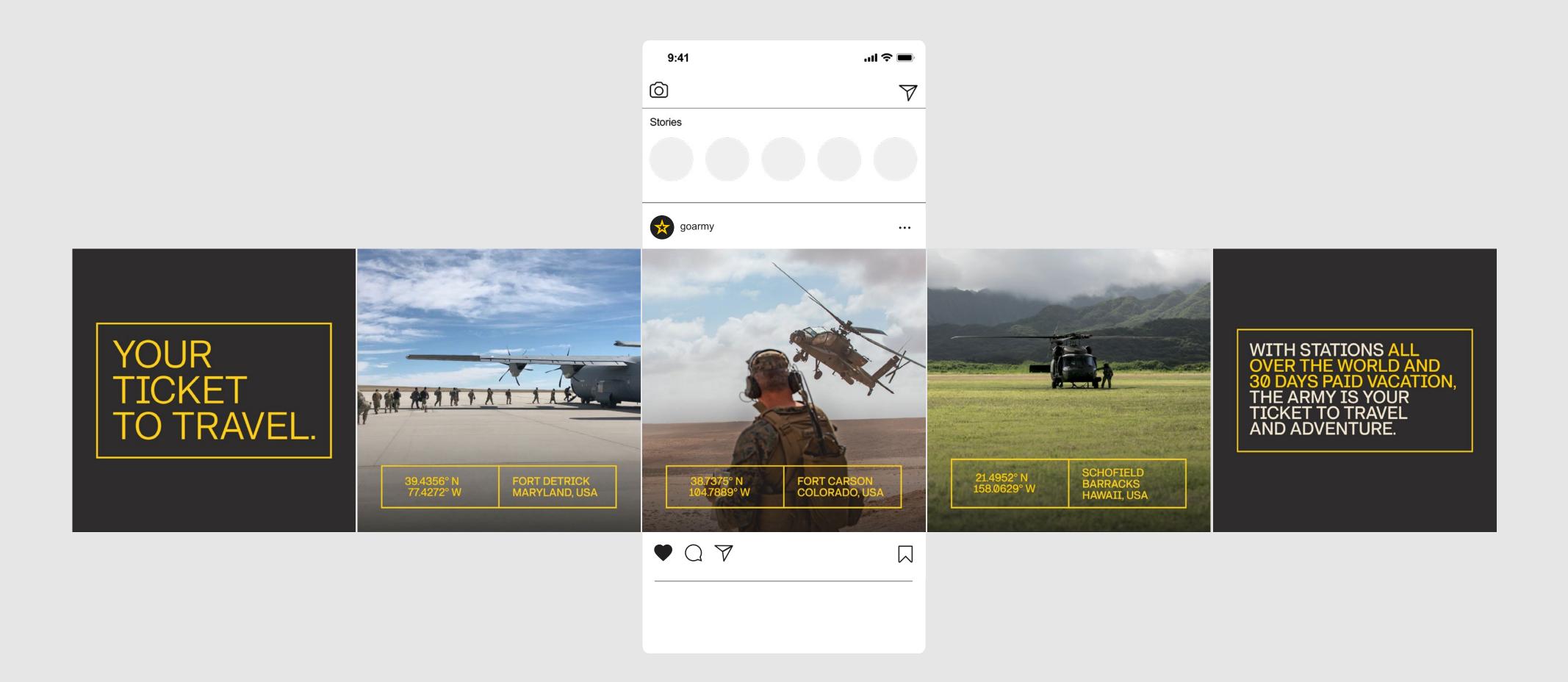


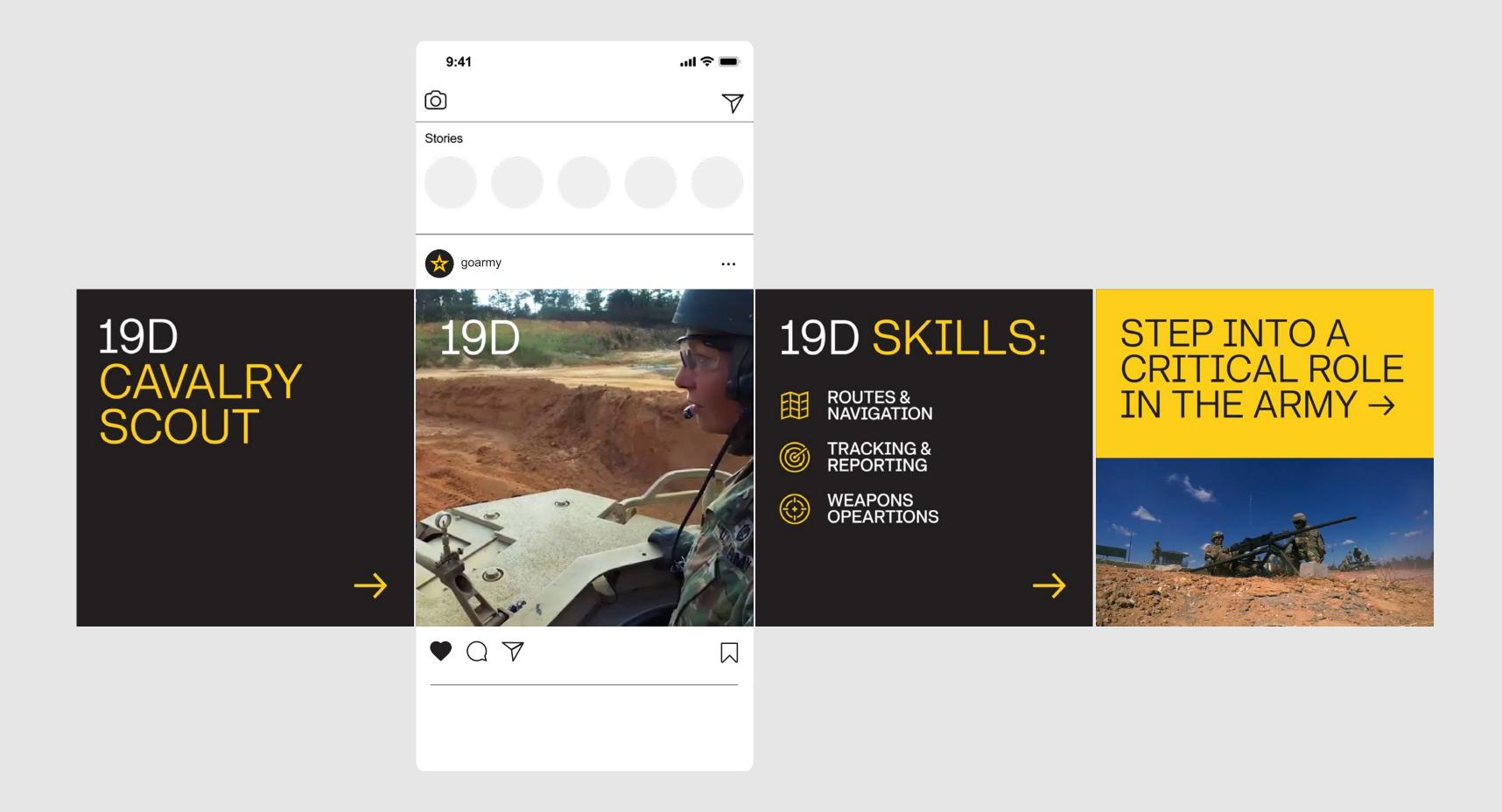










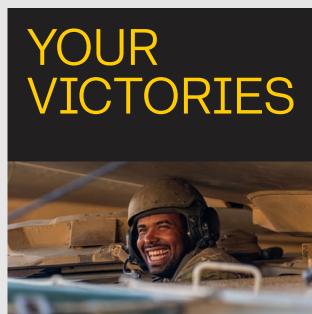










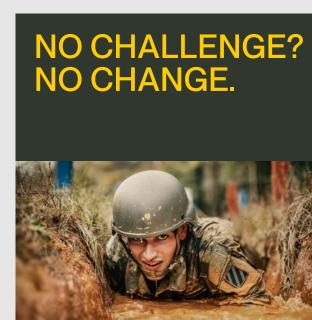


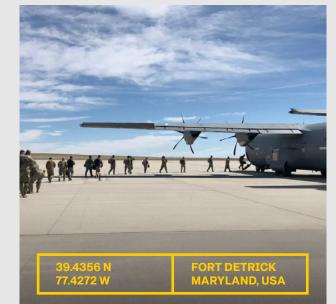
















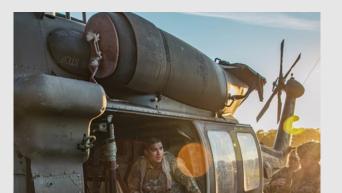








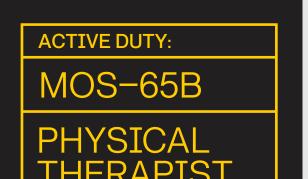






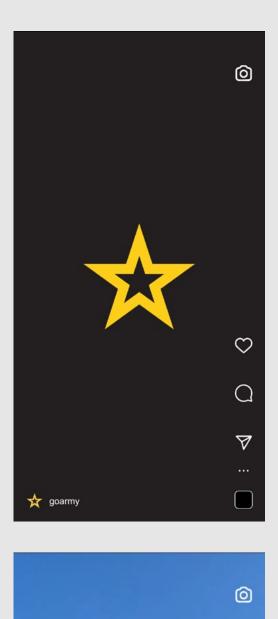


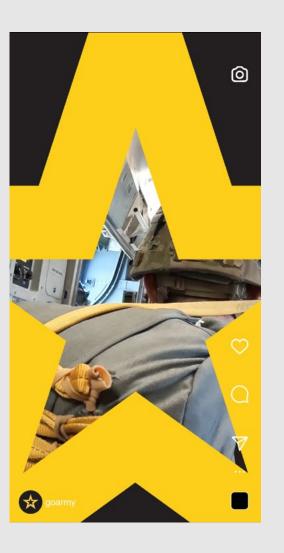


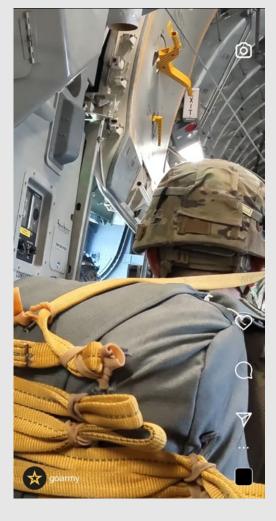


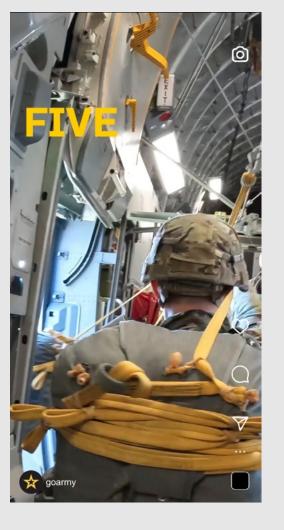


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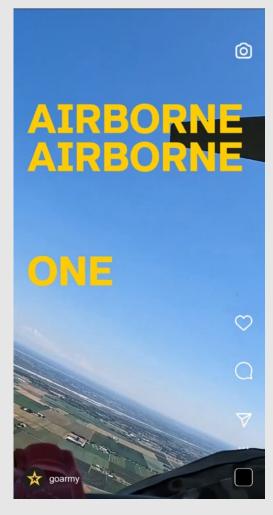








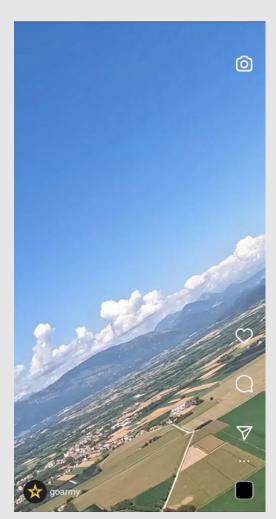






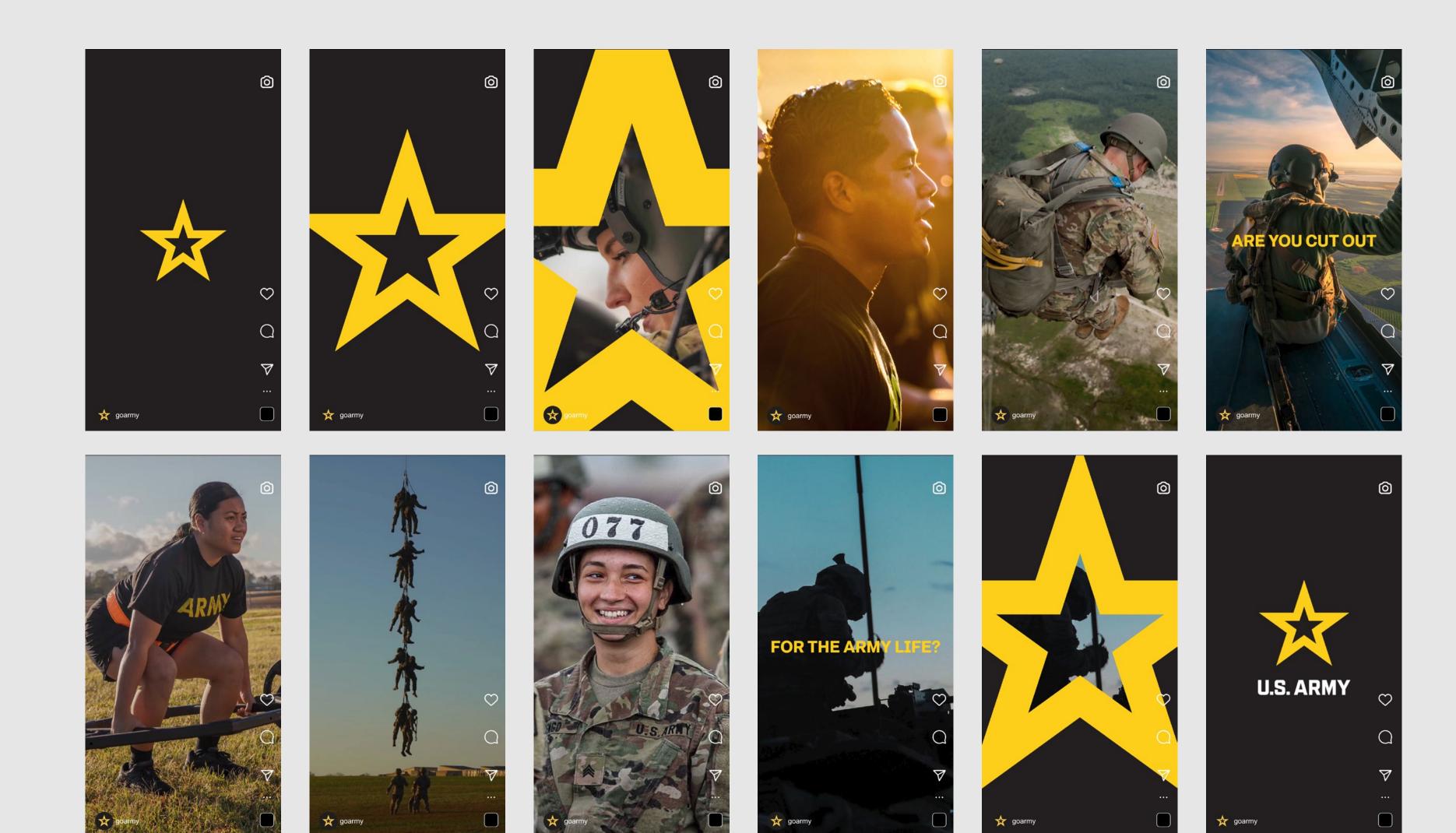


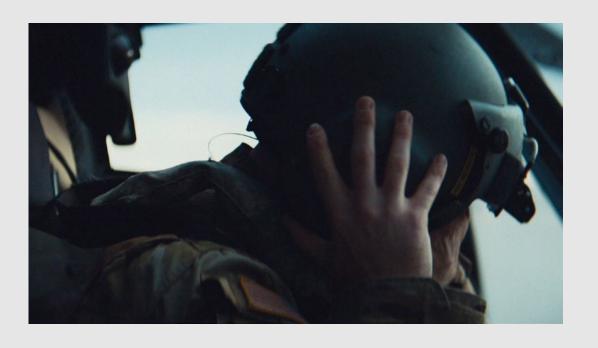


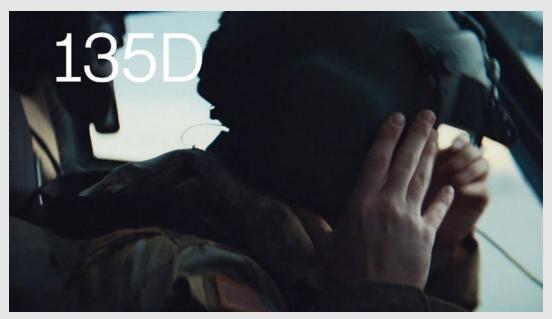


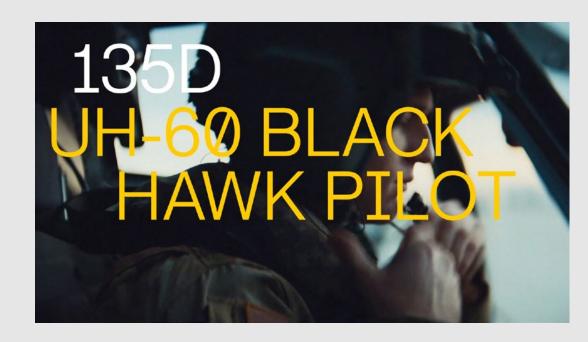


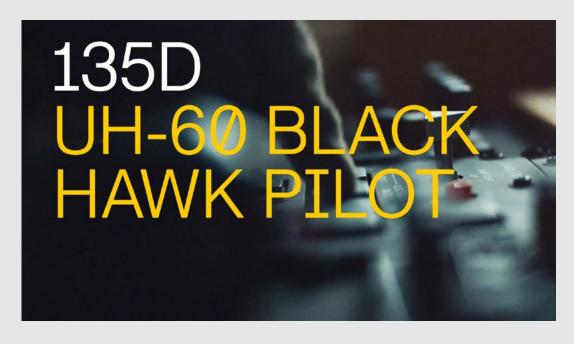
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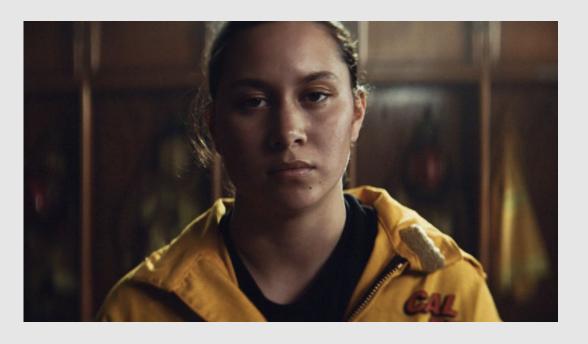




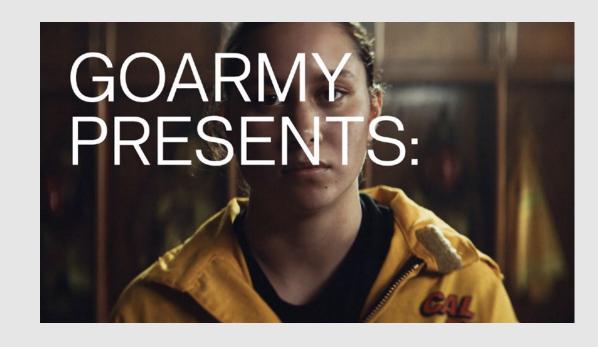


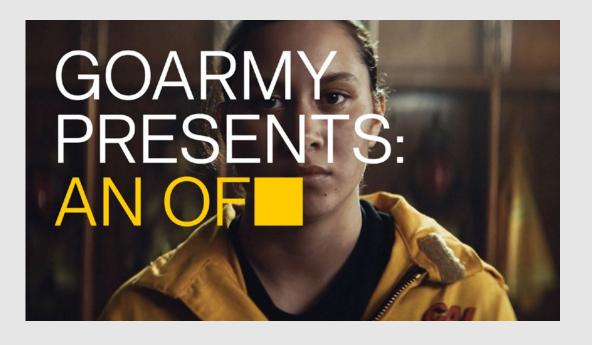




















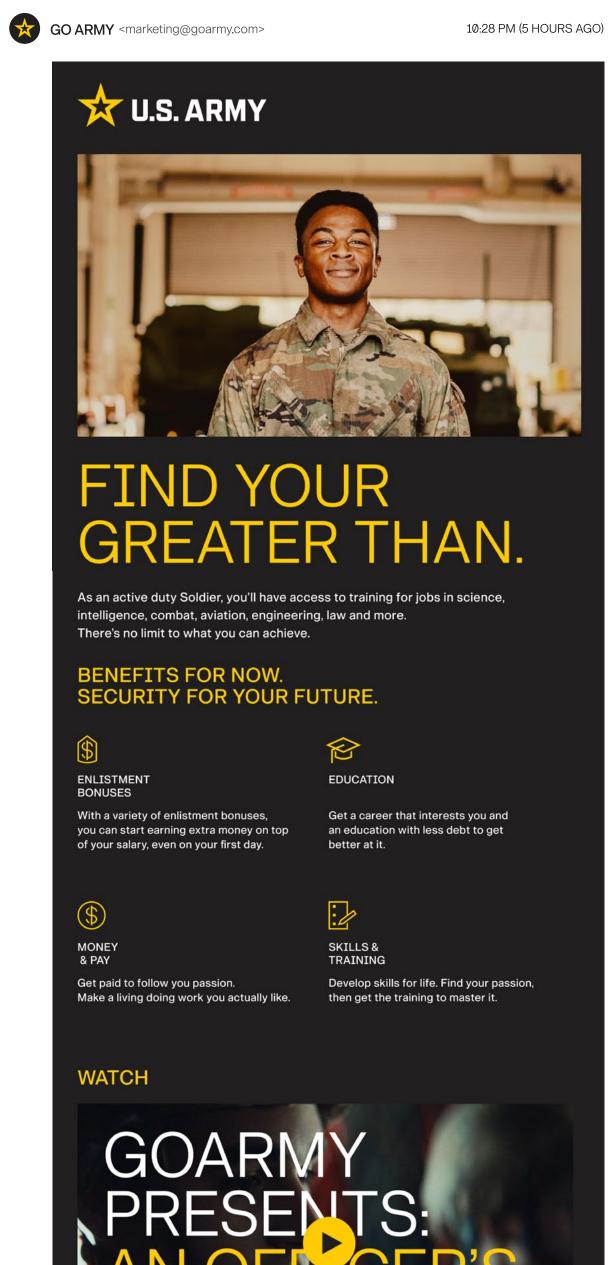






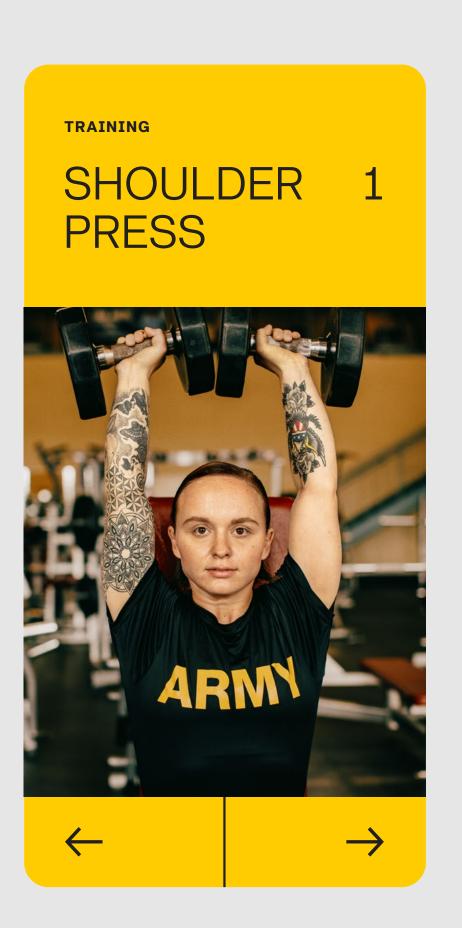


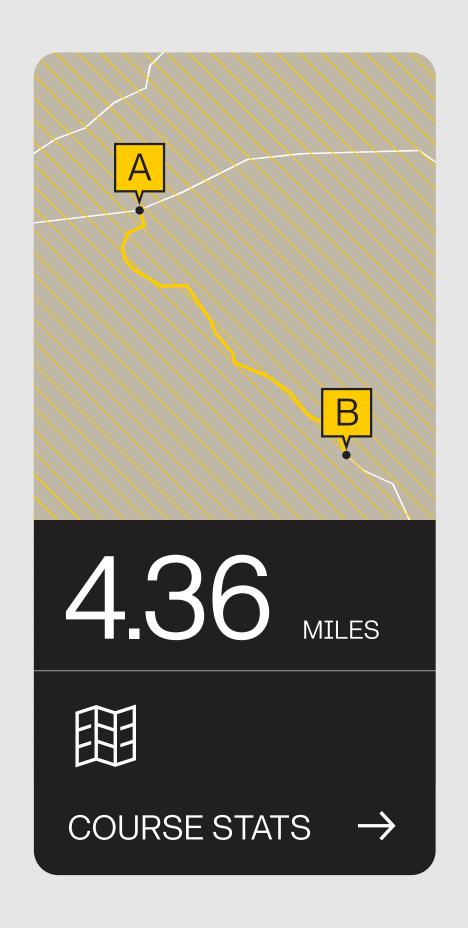
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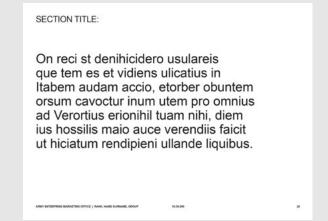
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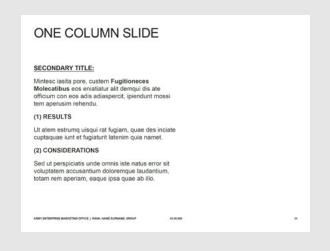
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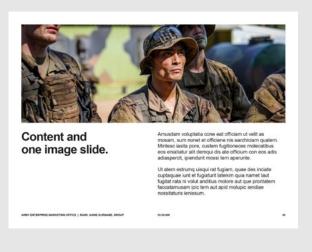
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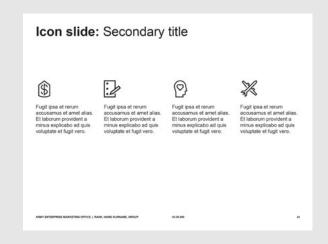


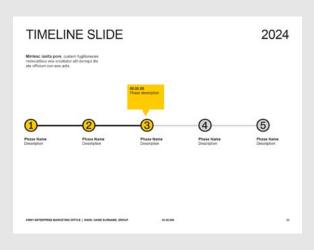


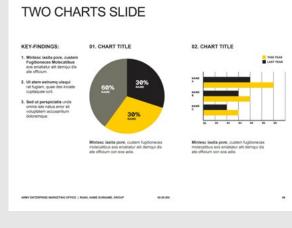


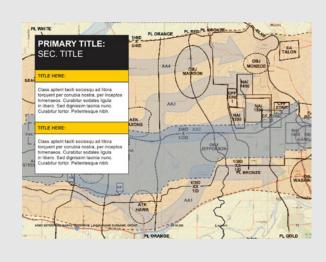














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ADA/Section 508 testing

A key principle of designing for the brand is considering visual accessibility. The WCAG (Web Content Accessibility Guidelines) provides a set of standards that help us develop content that can be accessed by people challenged by vision, hearing, motor skill and cognitive ability.

To use the brand colors effectively and in an accessible way requires consideration of that contrast between foreground and background for essential content, like text and icons. The following is information from the WCAG detailing best practices for the use of the corporate colors.

Explanation of WCAG Success Criterion 1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum)

WCAG Success Criterion 1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum) is to ensure all text content has sufficient color contrast against its background. This includes active text—such as link text and button text—and images of text.

- Text smaller than 18pt (regular) or 14pt (bold) must have at least a 4.5:1 contrast ratio with its background. This includes any text where the foreground and/or background color changes on mouse hover or keyboard focus
- Text that is 18pt (regular) or 14pt (bold) or larger must have at least a 3:1 contrast ratio with its background.
 This includes any text where the foreground and/or background color changes on mouse hover or keyboard focus

- Exception: Text or images of text that are part of a disabled (inactive) component does not have a minimum contrast requirement
- Exception: Text that is used purely as decoration does not have a minimum contrast requirement
- Exception: Text that is part of a picture, where the text is not necessary to understand the information conveyed by the image, does not have a minimum contrast requirement
- Exception: Text that is part of a logo or brand name has no minimum contrast requirement

Explanation of WCAG Success Criterion 1.4.11 Non-text Contrast

- WCAG Success Criterion 1.4.11 Non-text Contrast is to ensure any non-text element(s)—such as icons or symbols—that are necessary to understand the content have sufficient color contrast against their background(s)
- Visual information—such as icons or symbols required to identify UI components and states of those components must have at least a 3:1 contrast ratio with its background. This includes any non-text content where the foreground and/or background color changes on mouse hover or keyboard focus

- Parts of graphical objects—such as slices in a pie chart— must have at least a 3:1 contrast ratio with its background. This includes any non-text content where the foreground and/or background color changes on mouse hover or keyboard focus
- Exception: Non-text content that is part of a disabled (inactive) component does not have a minimum contrast requirement
- Exception: Non-text content whose appearance is determined by the user agent (i.e., web browser) and not modified by the author in any way does not have a minimum contrast requirement
- Exception: When a particular presentation of a graphic is essential to the information being conveyed, there is no minimum contrast requirement Examples may include:
- Logo or brands
- Flags (such as country or state)
- Real life photographs such as pictures of people or scenery
- Diagrams of medical information that uses colors found in biology
- Color gradients that represent a measurement such as a heat map

Primary colors

This table outlines the full ADA/ Section 508 compliance results for our brand's primary colors.

Please note that inverse color combinations return the same result.

Example: Army Gold on Army Black and Army Black on Army Gold both have the same passing contrast ratio of 10.81:1.

White on Tan and Tan on White both have the same failing contrast ratio of 1.25:1.

If you do not see a specific color combination in this chart, look for its inverse.

Primary text colors: Text on primary palette backgrounds	Text sample	Contrast ratio	Normal tex WCAG AA	t Normal tex WCAG AAA	t Large text A WCAG AA	Large text WCAG AAA	Graphical of interface co	bjects & user emponents
Army Gold #FFCC01 on Army Black #221f20	Sample	10.81:1	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊘	Text Input	Pass ⊘
White #FFFFFF on Army Black #221f20	Sample	16.34:1	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊘	Text Input 🛂 <	Pass ⊘
Army Green #2F372F on Army Black #221f20	Sample	1.32:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Fail ⊗
Army Black #221f20 on Army Gold #Ffcc01	Sample	10.81:1	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊘	Text Input	Pass ⊗
Army Green #2F372F on Army Gold #Ffcc01	Sample	8.13:1	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊘	Text Input	Pass ⊘
White #FFFFFF on Army Gold #Ffcc01	Sample	1.51:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input 🖳	Fail ⊗
Army Black #221F20 on White #FFFFFF	Sample	16.34:1	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊘	Text Input	Pass ⊘
Army Green #2F372F on White #FFFFFF	Sample	12.29:1	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊘	Text Input	Pass ⊘
Army Gold #FFCC01 on White #FFFFFF	Sample	1.51:1	Fail ⊗	Fail 8	Fail	Fail ⊗	Text Input 🛂 <	Fail ⊗
Army Gold #FFCC01 on Army Green #2F372F	Sample	8.13:1	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊘	Text Input<	Pass ⊘
White #FFFFFF on Army Green #2F372F	Sample	12.29:1	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊘	Text Input ↓<	Pass ⊘
Army Black #221F20 on Army Green #2F372F	Sample	1.32:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail 8	Text Input	Fail ⊗

Secondary colors

This table outlines the full ADA/ Section 508 compliance results for our brand's secondary colors.

Please note that inverse color combinations return the same result.

Example: Army Gold on Army Black and Army Black on Army Gold both have the same passing contrast ratio of 10.81:1.

White on Tan and Tan on White both have the same failing contrast ratio of 1.25:1.

If you do not see a specific color combination in this chart, look for its inverse.

Primary text colors: Text on secondary palette backgrounds	Text sample	Contrast ratio	Normal text WCAG AA	Normal text WCAG AAA	•	_	Graphical ob interface co	-
White #FFFFFF on Field 01 #727365	Sample	4.82:1	Pass ⊘	Fail ⊗	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊗	Text Input<	Pass ⊘
Army Black #221F20 on Field 01 #727365	Sample	3.38:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Pass ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Pass ⊘
Army Gold #FFCC01 on Field 01 #727365	Sample	3.18:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Pass ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Pass ⊘
Army Green #2F372F on Field 01 #727365	Sample	1.32:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Fail ⊗
Army Black #221F20 on Field 02 #BFB8A6	Sample	8.26:1	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊘	Text Input ♣<	Pass ⊘
Army Green #2F372F on Field 02 #BFB8A6	Sample	6.21:1	Pass ⊘	Fail ⊗	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊗	Text Input	Pass ⊘
White #FFFFFF on Field 02 #BFB8A6	Sample	1.97:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Fail ⊗
Army Gold #FFCC01 on Field 02 #BFB8A6	Sample	1.3:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input 🛂	Fail ⊗
Army Black #221F20 on Tan #F0E4CE	Sample	12.96:1	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊘	Text Input ♣	Pass ⊘
Army Green #2F372F on Tan #F0E4CE	Sample	9.77:1	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊘	Text Input	Pass ⊘
White #FFFFFF on Tan #F0E4CE	Sample	1.25:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Fail ⊗
Army Gold #FFCC01 on Tan #F0E4CE	Sample	1.2:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Fail ⊗
White #FFFFFF on Gray 1 #565557	Sample	7.41:1	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊘	Text Input <u>↓</u> <	Pass ⊘
Army Gold #FFCC01 on Gray 1 #565557	Sample	4.9:1	Pass ⊘	Fail ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Text Input	Pass ⊗
Army Black #221f20 on Gray 1 #565557	Sample	2.2:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input 👤 🕻	Fail ⊗
Army Green #2F372F on Gray 1 #565557	Sample	1.65:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Fail ⊗
Army Black #221F20 on Gray 2 #D5D5D7	Sample	11.15:1	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊘	Text Input ♣<	Pass ⊘
Army Green #2F372F on Gray 2 #D5D5D7	Sample	8.38:1	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Pass ⊗	Text Input	Pass ⊘
White #FFFFFF on Gray 2 #D5D5D7	Sample	1.46:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Fail ⊗
Army Gold #FFCC01 on Gray 2 #D5D5D7	Sample	1.03:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input 🛂	Fail ⊗

Highlight colors

This table outlines the full ADA/ Section 508 compliance results for our brand's highlight colors.

Please note that inverse color combinations return the same result.

Example: Army Gold on Army Black and Army Black on Army Gold both have the same passing contrast ratio of 10.81:1.

White on Tan and Tan on White both have the same failing contrast ratio of 1.25:1.

If you do not see a specific color combination in this chart, look for its inverse.

Primary text colors: Text on highlight color backgrounds	Text sample	Contrast ratio	Normal text WCAG AA	t Normal text WCAG AAA	•	Large text WCAG AAA	Graphical ob interface co	ojects & user mponents
Army Black #221F20 on Highlight Orange #F16521	Sample	5.15:1	Pass ⊘	Fail ⊗	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊗	Text Input 👤 🕻	Pass ⊘
White #FFFFFF on Highlight Orange #F16521	Sample	3.17:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Pass ⊘	Fail ⊗	Text Input 🛂 <	Pass ⊘
Army Green #2F372F on Highlight Orange #F16521	Sample	3.87:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Pass ⊘	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Pass ⊗
Army Gold #FFCC01 on Highlight Orange #F16521	Sample	2.09:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Fail ⊗
Army Black #221F20 on Highlight Green #2daa27	Sample	5.36:1	Pass ⊗	Fail ⊗	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊗	Text Input	Pass ⊘
Army Green #2F372F on Highlight Green #2daa27	Sample	4.03:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Pass ⊘	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Pass ⊘
White #FFFFFF on Highlight Green #2daa27	Sample	3.04:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Pass ⊘	Fail ⊗	Text Input 🛂 <	Pass ⊘
Army Gold #FFCC01 on Highlight Green #2daa27	Sample	2.01:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail 8	Fail ⊗	Text Input 🛂 <	Fail ⊗
White #FFFFFF on Highlight Red #cf0001	Sample	5.74:1	Pass ⊘	Fail ⊗	Pass ⊘	Pass ⊗	Text Input <u>↓</u> <	Pass ⊘
Army Gold #FFCC01 on Highlight Red #cf0001	Sample	3.8:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Pass ⊘	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Pass ⊘
Army Black #221F20 on Highlight Red #cf0001	Sample	2.84:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Fail ⊗
Army Green #2F372F on Highlight Red #cf0001	Sample	2.13:1	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Fail ⊗	Text Input	Fail ⊗

