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Professional Summary: Army Staff Sergeant looking to start my transition in to civilian world again. Skilled in communication and personnel management with fast critical thinking abilities and the ability to effectively function under stressful conditions. With 8+ years of experience being able to coordinate and facilitate multiple personnel, large amounts of equipment and aircraft simultaneously, safely and accurately.

Skills:

- Safety compliance
- Equipment maintenance
- Leadership and management skills
- Creating, reading and executing plans
- Teamwork skills
- CPR and Basic life support

Experience:

UNITED STATES ARMY

Schofield Barracks, HA /Joint Base Lewis McChord, WA

June 2018- Present

Fire Support Sergeant

- Company fire support matter expert on operations and maintenance of all fire support team equipment.
- Advises the fire support officer on the allocation and tasking of fires observers.
- Trains the Fire Support team and forward observers in applicable fire support tactics and techniques.
- Initiates calls for fire on targets of opportunity and executes planned targets in accordance with the fire support plan
- Supervises the maintenance of team equipment.
- Supervises the establishment of FIST digital and voice communications.

- Responsible for maintaining and accounting for over 2.5 million dollars' worth of Fire Support equipment.
- Manages and leads multiple Forward observer teams simultaneously coordinating and processing all types of fire missions for adequate effects to meet the commander's intent.
- Primarily responsible for all indirect fires in area of operations both coordinating and deconflicting mortars, artillery, naval gunfire and all forms of aircraft both fixed wing and rotary wing for safe effective fires and safety concerns.

Fort Carson, CO/ Schofield Barracks, HA

November 2015- April 2018

Forward Observer

- Assists fire support sergeant in training and mentoring subordinates in fire support procedures, techniques and tactics.
- Supervision of section operations, maintenance, and training.
- Leads and trains the forward observer team in combat operations
- Prepares observer target lists and assists in formulating offensive and defensive fire support plans and Join Fires.
- Initiates, requests and adjusts field artillery, mortar, naval gunfire and close air support using all methods of adjustment including continuous and coordinated illumination.
- Initiates suppressive and screening fire to support scheme of maneuver and performs crater analysis.
- Select and occupies observation post (OP)
- Orients map and prepares terrain sketch and visibility diagram.
- Assists in the supervision of assigned maintenance of vehicles and equipment to maintain operational readiness.

Fort Carson, CO

March 2014- November 2015

Radio Transmission Operator

- Establishes, maintains and operates radio and digital equipment.

Prepares and maintains daily staff journal, fire support situation map, status charts capability overlay, and other fire support and target processing records.

- Assists the preparation and distribution of fire support plans, coordinating documents, and target lists
- Assists in initiating requests for field artillery, mortar, naval gunfire and arial delivered munitions
- Prepare AFATDS for operation to include cabling, installation and removal procedures.
- Emplaces, maintains and assists in the operation of laser range finders, target designation and night observation devices.
- Performs operator maintenance on section vehicles and generators.
- Performs crew maintenance and participates in organizational maintenance of section equipment.

Education and training:

United States Army

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| • Distributed Leaders Course II | Dec 2019 |
| • Structured self-development (SSD) | Feb 2014 |
| • Joint Fire Observer Familiarization (JFOF) | Feb 2022 |
| • Advanced Field Artillery Tactical Data System (AFATDS) | Dec 2014 |
| • Advanced leadership course | April 2021 |
| • Basic leadership course | June 2018 |
| • US ARMY Basic Training | Feb 2014 |

Hobbies:

- Carpentry
- Home Renovation
- Fitness
- Outdoor activities