

# **56TH FIGHTER WING - LUKE AIR FORCE BASE**



MISSION

We train the world's greatest fighter pilots and combat-ready Airmen!

VISION

The epicenter of airpower... The proving ground for how we train, team, and think to win tomorrow's fight.





**ACTIVE: 4300** RESERVE: 1300 CIVILIAN: 1300

**LUKE ECONOMIC IMPACT** Direct: \$974 Million

Indirect: \$761 Million Induced: \$697 Million

> Total Economic Impact in AZ \$2.4 Billion

Additionally, the 56th Fighter Wing oversees the Gila Bend Air Force Auxillary Field and is steward of the 1.7 million acre Barry M. Goldwater Military Training Range.

### **LUKE HISTORY**

Luke Air Force Base is named for the WWI flying ace and Phoenix native Lieutenant Frank Luke Jr., the first aviator to receive the Medal of Honor. Lieutenant Luke scored 18 aerial victories, 14 against German observation balloons, before being killed at the age of 21 on Sept. 29, 1918.



# WE TRAIN 75% OF THE WORLD'S F-35 PILOTS

### F-35A LIGHTNING II

Home to 111 F-35s



# F-16 FIGHTING FALCON

Home to 77 F-16s



### THUNDERBOLT NATION

Since 1941, Luke has graduated over 61,000 pilots.

105 F-35 pilots annually

188 F-16 pilots annually

79 Intel specialists annually

98 F-35 maintainers annually

39 Nurses annually

8 Medical lab technicians annually

16 Critical Care/Emergency Trauma Fellowship annually 236 Air Control Squadron personnel annually

## **PARTNERS IN TRAINING**



**United States** 



Italy



Netherlands



Norway



Singapore



Denmark

### **LEADERSHIP**



Wing Commander Brig. Gen. Gregory Kreuder



Vice Wing Commander Col. Luke Casper



Command Chief CMSgt. Daniel Weimer

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