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HUNTSVILLE CENTER EMPLOYEE RECOGNIZED AS ARMY'S BEST

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. – Alicia Allen, U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville centralized furnishings program manager was selected as the 2010 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Installation Support Professional of the Year.

Allen was selected from a list of six nominees by a panel consisting of representatives from Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management and Headquarters U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. In the five years since HQUSACE established this award, Allen is the fourth Huntsville Center employee to win.

Allen is recognized as the Army's furniture procurement and installation subject matter expert. She and the Huntsville Center's furniture team provided centralized management support to the Army for procurement and installation of furniture, with more than \$800 million obligated to date, and more than \$390 million planned for fiscal year 2010. The furnishings project delivery team has furnished hundreds of thousands of barracks and administrative spaces. In fiscal year 2009, the team furnished 374 administrative buildings and 57,000 barracks spaces. Allen's leadership directly resulted in more than \$125 million (16 percent average) in cost avoidance, which was reinvested into the procurement of additional furniture, further contributing to the enhanced quality of life for Soldiers.

To qualify for nomination, candidates must have been a USACE full-time employee for the 12-month evaluation period working on programs directly associated with the USACE Installation Support Program for Army installations. Nominees also must have led work recognized as contributing to improving working and living conditions for Soldiers, families and federal civilian employees at the installation level of the Army.

Allen will be formally recognized and presented her plaque by LTG Robert Van Antwerp, Chief of Engineers, USACE, in August at the Summer Leaders Conference in Seattle.

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