



THE COMMANDANT OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD  
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## DIVERSITY POLICY STATEMENT

Diversity is not a program or policy – it is a state of being. Diversity sparks innovation and incorporates fresh approaches. It provides well-rounded perspectives in problem solving that let us identify better ways of performing the duties entrusted to us by our government and fellow citizens.

The Coast Guard is a diverse workforce. Our mission success and our core values require us to ensure our work environment enhances the potential and contribution of all employees by promoting inclusion, equity and respect.

Each of you, regardless of who you are or where you sit in the organization, plays a key role in the success of the Coast Guard. You are our greatest strength. Your creativity, commitment, experience and collaboration make the difference between getting results, and just doing a job.

Mission execution, reputation, leadership and culture are defined primarily by the abilities and performance of our people. Active duty, reserve, civilian and auxiliary, your commitment to excellence is apparent every day, in every mission, across the country, around the world, against all threats, and all hazards.

I am personally committed to ensuring our Coast Guard provides an environment that values and embraces the contributions and potential of every member of our diverse workforce. Our core values of Honor, Respect and Devotion to Duty are fundamental to our individual and collective success. Live them every day.

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THAD W. ALLEN  
Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard