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Mobridge Armory is a reality

MOBRIDGE, S.D. - After 13 years of dedication and commitment by the local community, Maj. Gen. Michael A. Gorman, adjutant general of the South Dakota National Guard, cuts the ribbon today that officially opens the new South Dakota Army National Guard Readiness Center.

“Mobridge is our anchor in the north central part of the state,” said Gorman. “Having a good armory allows us to maintain our strength within the community.”

The facility will be home to Detachment 2, 200th Engineer Company and will provide administrative offices, an assembly hall, storage area, classrooms, a kitchen and a physical fitness room for the unit’s personnel. The new 18,000 square foot facility is a \$4 million dollar project supported by city, state and federal funding.

Gorman said that the future of the Army National Guard depends on having fully manned units, and by having good armories and quality training sites it helps the National Guard preserve retention, attract new recruits and maintain readiness.

“This is the culmination of a long hard effort by all,” said Gorman. “It took everybody coming together to make it work - the community, the state legislature, the governor’s office and the federal government.”