



*Purpose. To assist MCA Board members and staff in explaining what makes the Marine Corps Association's supporting Foundation unique and the role it plays in the professional development of Marine leaders through our programs.*

The Marine Corps Association Foundation's focus is the professional and leadership development of Marines currently serving. In 2020 our programs impacted nearly 60,000 Marines – over a third of the Marine Corps currently on active duty. (13 sec)

Our programs enhance the professional education and development of Marine leaders. We know that well-educated leaders combined with lessons learned from history are better qualified to lead diverse groups in today's Corps, making better decisions, finding creative ways to deal with complex issues. (16 sec)

We help develop leaders by providing forums for Marines to grow professionally, exchange ideas, and preserve the traditions of the Corps. We support and recognize Marines through programs that provide awards for their achievements, unit libraries, battle studies, and professional military education trips throughout the world, *and* we teach them excellence in critical, creative thinking through essay competitions. (22 sec)

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