



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Lineage and Honors

40th SUPPORT BATTALION

Organized in the California National Guard and Federally recognized 13 December 1927 at Los Angeles as Headquarters Company, 79th Infantry Brigade, an element of the 40th Division

Reorganized and redesignated 6 May 1929 as Headquarters Company, 80th Infantry Brigade, an element of the 40th Division

Inducted into Federal service 3 March 1941 at Los Angeles

Converted, reorganized, and redesignated 18 February 1942 as the 40th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, an element of the 40th Infantry Division

Reorganized and redesignated 15 October 1943 as the 40th Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized

Reorganized and redesignated 8 October 1945 as the 40th Mechanized Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop

Inactivated 7 April 1946 at Camp Stoneman, California

Reorganized and Federally recognized 29 January 1948 at Los Angeles

Redesignated 1 December 1948 as the 40th Reconnaissance Company

Ordered into active Federal service 1 September 1950 at Los Angeles

(40th Reconnaissance Company [NGUS] organized and Federally recognized 2 September 1952 at Los Angeles)

Released from active Federal service 30 June 1954 and reverted to state control; Federal recognition concurrently withdrawn from the 40th Reconnaissance Company (NGUS)

Reorganized and redesignated 1 July 1954 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 40th Armored Division Trains

40th SUPPORT BATTALION

Consolidated 1 July 1959 with the 40th Armored Division Band (organized in 1886 at Los Angeles as the Band, 7th Infantry Battalion), and consolidated unit designated as Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 40th Armored Division Trains and 40th Armored Division Band

Reorganized and redesignated 1 March 1963 as Headquarters, Headquarters and Band, 40th Armored Division Support Command; concurrently, location changed to Bell

Reorganized and redesignated 15 March 1964 as Headquarters, Headquarters Company and Band, 40th Armored Division Support Command

Headquarters, Headquarters Company and Band, 40th Armored Division Support Command (less Band) reorganized and redesignated 29 January 1968 as Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 40th Support Battalion, an element of the 40th Armored Brigade; concurrently, location changed to Los Angeles and organic elements organized from existing units (concurrently, Band reorganized and redesignated as the 240th Army Band; separate lineage)

HOME AREA: Los Angeles and vicinity, San Diego, and Stockton

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War II
Bismarck Archipelago
Luzon (with arrowhead)
Southern Philippines (with arrowhead)

Korean War
Second Korean winter
Korea, summer-fall 1952
Third Korean winter
Korea, summer 1953

Company B (Upland), 40th Support Battalion additionally entitled to:

World War II-AP
Leyte

DECORATIONS

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered LUZON

Philippine Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered 17 OCTOBER 1944 TO 4 JULY 1945

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered KOREA 1952-1954

40th SUPPORT BATTALION

Company A (Los Angeles), 40th Support Battalion additionally entitled to:

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered
KOREA 1952

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered
KOREA 1952 - 1953

Company B (Upland), 40th Support Battalion additionally entitled to:

Meritorious Unit Commendation, Streamer embroidered KOREA

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered
KOREA 1952

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered
KOREA 1952 - 1953

Company C (Bell), 40th Support Battalion additionally entitled to:

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered
KOREA 1952 - 1953

By Order of the Secretary of the Army:

Kenneth G. Wickham
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Major General, USA
The Adjutant General

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