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As a Reserve Soldier myself, my goal was, and always will be, to make an impact on the lives of those around me.

Assists in the development of functional explosive hazard training aids used in CEHC courses, as well as partnership in equipment testing, focusing on counter explosive hazard threats. Reviews and recommends changes to doctrine regarding explosive hazards, while looking toward the future and developing new methods and strategies to combat threats across the operational environment.



Why did you choose a career as a DA Civilian?

I chose to be a DA Civilian to make an impact on Soldiers' lives. As a Reserve Soldier myself, my goal was, and always will be, to make an impact on the lives of those around me, whether that be through mentorship, training or support.

What are the benefits of working as a DA Civilian?

The most important benefit of being a DA Civilian is **being a part of a community focused on supporting and developing the next generation, all while having the flexibility to make an impact, not only on the military,** **but also my family.** I have done a lot of things that provided a lasting impact, and to me, that is what it means to be, and a benefit of being, a DA Civilian.

What do you like most about your job/career as a DA Civilian?

I enjoy being a part of the community, but more importantly, I have a passion for training and mentoring Soldiers to excel.

What is your most memorable experience as a DA Civilian?

My most memorable experience is implementing change in doctrine that will impact how our military safely executes explosive hazards operations in the future.

What advice would you give to others considering becoming a DA Civilian?

Find your passion, and seek it out.

Take every opportunity to be innovative, creative, motivated and conscientious about who you will influence because it

takes both

civilians and Soldiers working as a team to be successful.



