

California Air National Guard's 144th Fighter Wing honors the City of Fresno

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FRESNO, Calif. (FOX26) — The California Air National Guard's [144th Fighter Wing](#) is bringing back its “Cities of Honor” program.

A ceremony was held Friday morning at the Fresno Air National Guard Base on McKinley Ave. in Fresno to honor the City of Fresno.

The Cities of Honor program dedicates an F-15 fighter jet by adding the city's crest to the nose of the jet.



The honor is to thank the city and its citizens for their support to of members and the wing. Mayor Jerry Dyer and other civic leaders were in attendance.

This is the Wing's second dedication to the City of Fresno, which first occurred September 2, 2014.

The 144 FW initiated the Cities of Honor program on April 18, 2014, during a ceremony that paid tribute to the City of Madera.

Over the next few years, the Wing will continue the Cities of Honor jet-dedication program by dedicating F-15s to local cities within the Central Valley.



Col. Troy Havener, 144th Fighter Wing Commander show the City of Fresno crest on the nose of an F-15 to Fresno Mayor Jerry Dyer at the California Air National Guard's 144th Fighter Wing (Photo: FOX26 Photojournalist Bert Montelongo)