



# SOTO CANO AIR BASE, HONDURAS

*Unique professional development opportunities*



## One year assignments available for:

PAIO Chief (Plans Analysis and Integration Officer) GS-13

MWR Chief (Morale Welfare and Recreation) GS-13

RM Chief (Resource Manager) GS-13

DPW (Director of Public Works) GS-13

DGC (Deputy Garrison Commander) GS-14

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**1. Soto Cano Air Base:** A Honduran military base (formally known as Palmerola Air Base) 5 miles south of Comayagua (pop. 33K) and 60 mi north of Tegucigalpa, the Capital of Honduras. The base is approximately 0.75 mi × 2.25 mi; lies in the Comayagua Valley and is ringed by 8,000 ft mountain peaks to the east and west. It houses over 500 US service members and is home of the Honduran Air Force Academy. The US military's Joint Task Force Bravo (JTF-B) with its five major subordinate commands is headquartered at Soto Cano. The subordinate commands include: MEDEL (Medical Element) a Military clinic, ARFOR (Army Forces), JSF (Joint Security Forces), 1st Battalion-228th Aviation Regiment and 612<sup>th</sup> Air Base Squadron. JTF-B supports counter-drug and humanitarian aid missions throughout Central America. Rotational forces, including a Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force also use Soto Cano Air Base.

**2. Army Support Activity (ASA) Soto Cano:** A forward based, expeditionary Installation Management Command (IMCOM) headquarters. The mission of ASA Soto Cano is to manage garrison and installation activities and services in support of readiness and mission execution while providing quality services and facilities, optimizing resources, sustaining the environment and enhancing the well-being of the entire Soto Cano Air Base community.

**3. Assignment Opportunities:** ASA Soto Cano provides a unique professional development opportunity for you to serve at the Director level. The following positions become available on a recurring basis:

**PAIO Chief (Plans Analysis and Integration Officer) GS-13:** Is the Garrison Commander's staff element for strategic and management planning for the installation. PAIO provides oversight of assigned programs; conducts analytical reviews; monitors Army baseline standards; captures and enables implementation of best business practices; identifies, tracks, and orchestrates reporting of performance measures; and integrates and optimizes use of technology. This office is the focal point for strategy and management planning for the installation.

**MWR Chief (Morale Welfare and Recreation) NF-5/GS-13:** Provides quality-of-life programs that directly support readiness by providing a variety of community/soldier programs, activities and services. Included in MWR are social, fitness, recreational, educational, and other programs and activities that enhance community life, foster soldier and unit readiness, promote mental and physical fitness, and generally provide a working and living environment that attracts and retains quality U.S. Army Soldiers and Civilians.

**RM Chief (Resource Manager) GS-13:** Provides sound stewardship of financial and manpower resources. Authority and responsibility to direct, coordinate, and provide advice and assistance to the Garrison Commander and staff for resource management activities. Provides coordinated financial management, budget services, manpower/management analysis, program management, and Commercial Activities programs that are integrated with and designed to promote efficiency and economy in execution of the Garrison's mission and programs.

**DPW (Director of Public Works) GS-13:** Responsible for management and operations related to engineering, maintenance, environmental activities, and housing of an Army Installation. Serves as Contracting Officers Representative (COR) or Alternate COR for major contracted support to include services such as Base Operations Support Services.

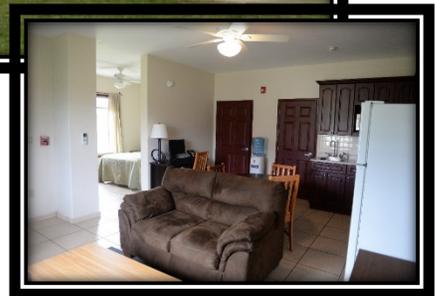
**DGC (Deputy Garrison Commander) GS-14:** Manages and directs garrison operations of a complex installation with multi-mission tenant activities. Provides administrative program direction to various civilian directors and special staff involved in a wide variety of functional program areas. Formulates goals, policies, and objectives for the garrison. Monitors the implementation of IMA and HQDA policies and guidance and makes recommendations to adapt guidance for local situations.

**4. Assignment Details:** Civilian employees serve a vital role in supporting the Army mission. They provide the skills that are not readily available in the military, but crucial to support military operations. These are minimum one year unaccompanied tours, temporary change of station (TCS) with return rights.

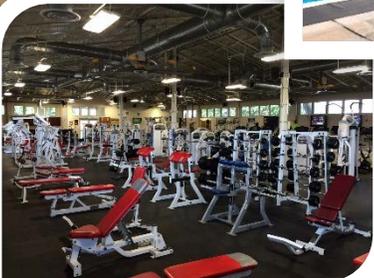
Positions may be filled by temporary promotion or temporary reassignment NTE 1 year, if a current permanent Army employee. Temporary promotion/reassignment may be extended up to a maximum of 5 years and may be made permanent without further competition.

Financial Incentives: Incumbent will lose locality pay, but will receive a post differential pay of 15%. Personnel located at Soto Cano may qualify for Separate Maintenance Allowance (SMA) based family member age and status in accordance with Department of State regulations. A relocation incentive may be offered for this position. Temporary Change of Station Costs will be paid for by the organization.

**5. Living conditions and social activities:** Living conditions are very comfortable with many amenities. Housing is provided, furnished quarters about 640 sq ft (one bedroom w/ kitchen, living room, private bathroom, large closet) to include Armed Forces Network (AFN). Personal internet is available. Transportation is provided, golf cart.



New dining facility, new fitness facility, new recreation center, and lap pool provide a strong foundation for a healthy active lifestyle.



MWR facilitates many events including scuba diving lessons, golf, hiking, and intermural sports. Units sponsor orphanages and are heavily involved in philanthropic activities. Many personnel assigned to Soto Cano travel to tourist destinations like the Mayan Ruins in Copan, Caribbean Islands of Roatan and Utila, other Central American countries like Costa Rica, Panama, and Belize. The Chapel provides hikes to remote villages offering an opportunity to provide food for villagers while engaging and learning more about the culture. Families are also allowed to visit!

More information about Soto Cano can be found at the links below.

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**6. For more information or to apply:** please contact Randy Blackburn, IMCOM-Central: 210-466-0164 or [randy.j.blackburn.civ@mail.mil](mailto:randy.j.blackburn.civ@mail.mil).