The National Security Multi-Mission Vessel (NSMV) leads a new chapter in U.S. maritime training, disaster preparedness and beyond. It also creates sustainable American jobs and sets a high standard for state-of-the-art design. The NSMV program has been developed to support the construction of up to five ships.

**EACH NSMV ADDRESSES A RANGE OF U.S. STRATEGIC IMPERATIVES.**

- Enhance Maritime Education
- Bolster Homeland and National Security
- Strengthen U.S. Shipbuilding and Manufacturing
- Create Jobs to Advance Economic Security

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MULTI-MISSION PURPOSE
Established primarily to address an aging training fleet, the new purpose-built NSMV enhances the Nation’s six state maritime academies’ (SMAs) training capabilities and serves as critical support assets for the federal government in times of need.

STATE-OF-THE-ART TRAINING CAPABILITIES
The size of the new vessel allows it to support the capabilities required to provide the next generation of mariners with a world-class education through state-of-art technologies. NSMV provides training assets to better meet each SMA’s needs. By attracting more cadets and better equipping them to become part of and sustain the U.S. Merchant Marine, the NSMV will help close the critical shortfall in the maritime workforce.

Although the NSMVs will be berthed at five state maritime academies, students at all six SMAs and the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA) will have access to the state-of-the-art training capabilities and opportunities to cross deck to alternate training vessels when they need additional days at sea. Training capabilities include:
- Convertible classrooms and workshops
- Simulator and laboratory spaces
- Dedicated training bridge and navigation lab
- Large multi-purpose space
- Accommodations for up to 600 cadets and 100 officers, faculty, staff and crew plus an additional 60-person surge capacity

NSMV PROGRAM CREATES JOBS
The NSMV creates and supports good-paying, American jobs, with over 1,200 shipyard jobs during construction and additional jobs at sea and ashore once completed, while strengthening the U.S. shipbuilding, repair and manufacturing industries.

DISASTER RESPONSE CAPABILITIES
When not on training missions, the federal government can mobilize the NSMV to support humanitarian assistance and disaster relief (HA/DR) in times of need. Response capabilities include:
- Modern medical facilities
- Berthing for up to 1,000 emergency responders, recovery workers and crew
- Helicopter landing area
- Container storage capacity of up to 60 TEUs
- Roll-on/roll-off loading ramp and vehicle stowage capabilities

INNOVATIVE MODEL
The NSMV showcases a new model of federal government shipbuilding, in which the U.S. leverages the expertise of commercial owners/operators/shippers with experience building U.S.-flagged vessels. By applying this new approach to government-owned vessels, MARAD benefits from commercial best practices of design standards and construction. This efficient and cost-effective process better supports U.S. national security interests by building vessels as designed, on schedule for a fixed price. Additionally, each ship will meet or exceed the latest environmental standards.

HIGH LEVEL OF SAFETY
Classed as a Special Purpose Ship, the NSMV design meets national and international safety requirements, such as the Safety of Life at Sea and Public Nautical School Ship requirements.

EACH SHIP WILL MEET OR EXCEED THE LATEST ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS.

BASIC SPECIFICATIONS OF NSMV

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