



Vietnam War

Thousands of women in all branches of the Armed Forces served in the Vietnam War. They worked in a multitude of fields—from physical therapy to military intelligence. U.S. Army women helped train their counterparts in the Vietnamese Women's Armed Forces Corps. Some women were assigned to the Women's Army Corps Detachment in support of United States Army-Vietnam, others

worked directly for a military or government organization. Army nurses and Department of the Army civilians provided critical care both in the medical arena and in support of troops' morale and welfare. Women returned home highly decorated; they were awarded the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, and Air Medal to name a few. The war in Vietnam was the last in which women participated as members of a separate Women's Army Corps.



A WAC assigned to Civil Operations and Revolutionary Development Support (CORDS) surveys a field in Vietnam, ca. 1971.



