

## **USCGC KITTIWAKE (WPB 87316)** COMMAND PHILOSOPHY



It is an incredible honor and privilege to serve as your Commanding Officer onboard CGC KITTIWAKE.

We have the opportunity to carry out the Coast Guard's most critical missions in an exceptionally challenging and dynamic operating area. We have a responsibility to the public that we serve to always be ready to respond whenever called upon.

It is critical that we are committed to:

Crew Training Mission

**CREW** We will be committed to fostering an inclusive environment, where each shipmate has the potential to grow and develop, striving towards both personal and professional goals. We will not tolerate inappropriate language or actions that create a hostile or uncomfortable workplace. We will hold each other accountable, and have the courage to intervene if a shipmate is not upholding the Coast Guard Core Values. We will look out for the safety of one another. We will maintain situational awareness and do our best to identify and mitigate potential hazards that arise in the workplace or on liberty. We will look for opportunities to plan activities and events that integrate friends and family and boost crew morale.

TRAINING We will be committed to our training. We will prepare for any situation we might encounter when responding to operational tasking or shipboard emergencies. It is critical that each of us is proficient at our assigned responsibilities, and fully capable of assuming another shipmate's role if necessary. We will be aggressive in seeking opportunities to plan and execute drills and exercises, constantly self assessing to identify areas to improve. We will help each other; it is vital that more experienced shipmates share their knowledge to assist newly reported personnel. As one cohesive and exceptionally trained team, we will always be prepared to respond.

MISSION We will be committed to the Coast Guard missions of assisting, protecting, and educating the public we serve, and guarding the natural resources and marine life of these Hawaiian Islands. We will carry out each mission with the upmost professionalism and be leaders within the maritime domain. We will work closely with our maritime partners through coordinated efforts to prepare and respond in the service of our nation. As professional mariners, we will be committed to the safe navigation of our ship through sound risk assessment and situational awareness.

J. J. Rendon

Commanding Officer