

Originally from Hudson, OH, Mindy Kruty-Crothers joined the Air Force as a Security Forces member in 1998 and completed a world tour with Air Force Entertainment's Tops in Blue in 2000 as a vocalist and dancer. Mindy used her GI Bill to earn a B.S. in Zoology from Ohio State University in 2006.

Mindy worked as the Assistant to the Chief of Air Force Entertainment from 2007-2011 and completed another world tour with Tops in Blue in 2010, this time as the Tour Manager.

Mindy worked as a Veterinary Technician for the Fort Meade Veterinary Treatment Facility at Fort Meade, MD from 2013-2018. She received her Master of Public Health degree from George Washington University in 2019.

Mindy is currently the Director of Mosquito and Vector Surveillance for Richmond County Mosquito Control (RCMC) with the Georgia Department of Public Health. She runs an integrated mosquito management program with 6 full-time and 6 part-time staff. Although the program is small, it has a great impact in Augusta/Richmond County. 2000 residential properties were inspected and treated this summer for mosquitoes and larvae, over a thousand retention/detention ponds were inspected and brought up to code, and over 20,000 storm drains were treated with larvicide. Additionally, RCMC traps and identifies mosquitoes at 16 different trapping locations in the county, continues a broad educational campaign with social media, the news, community events and local area schools, and has started a mosquito fish breeding tank to provide biological controls for bad pools. Mindy is currently a 1-year Director for GMCA and is preparing to pursue her DrPH in the fall.