American Legion Post 60

Veterans Outreach Program



Veterans Helping Veterans Seek Employment

Chapter 1

THE AMERICAN LEGION INCORPORATED



Laurel Maryland Post No. 60

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TO: Any Unemployed Veterans

FROM: Angela Surratt

Subject: Outreach to Assist Unemployed Veterans Program

The Obama Administration is supporting the bill to assist unemployed Veterans in finding jobs. I immediately want to volunteer for my Legion and obtain the appropriate information that could be posted on our website regarding this initiative. So....here it is:

I have done a lot of reading, research, and compiled some brochures/documents which will provide critical information to unemployed Vets in our Maryland/DC/Virginia area. All of this is public information which I compiled from several Federal Government websites. As a result, if you are an unemployed Veteran, here is the information you need. You do not need to look any further. I compiled several brochures and documents into a Post 60 Veterans Outreach Program, Chapters 1, 2 and 3 that help explain the process.

It is very important have a "Gold Card to start the employment assistance. Simply access the Department of Labor website: (http://www.dol.gov/vets/goldcard/revisedgoldcard5.pdf) and print the revisedgoldcard5.pdf (Example is on page 2 of Chapter1) and take it to a Career One Stop Center that is closest to you. (Example on page 5 of Chapter 1) These centers provide unemployed Veterans the assistance needed to help them find employment. If you do not have access to the Internet, please ask your Post Adjutant to print out a copy of the "Gold Card."

Unemployed veterans will soon get a much-needed boost in the job market with expanded education, training and transition assistance. Here is a brief description of these initiatives:

The VOW to Hire Heroes Act, once signed into law, will boost employment opportunities for veterans. Key provisions include:

- •Tax credit of up to \$5,600 for hiring veterans who have been looking for a job for more than six months, as well as a \$2,400 credit for veterans who are unemployed for more than four weeks, but less than six months.
- Tax credit of up to \$9,600 for hiring veterans with service-connected disabilities who have been looking for a job for more than six months.
- Makes the Transition Assistance Program (TAP) mandatory for service members moving on to civilian life to help them secure meaningful jobs through resume-writing workshops and career counseling.
- Expands education and training opportunities for older veterans by providing 100,000 unemployed veterans of past eras and wars with up to one year of additional Montgomery GI Bill benefits for education or training programs at community colleges and technical schools.

- Provides disabled veterans up to one year of additional vocational rehabilitation and employment benefits.
- Allows service members to start looking for federal jobs before separating from active duty in order to facilitate a truly seamless transition from the military to jobs at federal agencies.

The American Legion truly supports these initiatives. Taken from the American Legion website:

- 1) The Hiring Heroes Act would add two years to the Wounded Warrior Act for severely disabled veterans, make the Transition Assistance Program (TAP) mandatory for all separating service members, and expand training and compensation for employers who hire severely disabled veterans; and
- 2) The Veterans Opportunity to Work (VOW) Act improves and mandates the Training Assistance Program (TAP) program, expands training for approximately 600,000 veterans between the ages of 35 and 60, and works to improve transferability of military experience into credits for civilian credentialing and licensing.

Let me know if I can help by emailing me: **Goddess_Atlantic@Yahoo.com**.

Kindest Regards,

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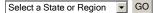
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- GOLD CARD SERVICES FOR POST 9/11 ERA VETERANS -
 - CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION!!
- US Labor Department announces more than \$5.4 million in job training grants to benefit homeless veterans [08/05/2011]
- Hiring Our Heroes List of 100 Mega-Hiring Fairs [07/12/2011]

Contact Us

- Contact Us 1-866-4-USA-DOL (TTY: 1-877-889-5627)
- Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)
- E-mail VETS-Public@dol.gov
- Find Your VETS Office:



About VETS

VETS Proudly Serves
Veterans & Service Members!
We Provide Resources and
Expertise to Assist and
Prepare them to Obtain
Meaningful Careers, Maximize
their Employment
Opportunities, and Protect
their Employment Rights.



- VETS Leadership Bios and Org Chart
- Staff Directory Map
- VETS Staff Directory

Employers

- How do I find qualified veterans?
- What does USERRA require?
- Federal contractor VETS-100/100-A
- Employer ToolKit for Hiring Veterans
- Strengthening Military Families

Service Providers

- What grants are available?
- What are the requirements for priority of service?
- State Local Employment Representative

Veterans, Service Members & Families

- Veterans Hiring Initiative!
- What is Veterans Preference?
- USERRA Questions?
- Where can I find help with employment?

Updates

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- VETS Annual Report To Congress FY10
- OFCCP Publishes Proposed VEVRAA Regulation Revisions to Strengthen Employment Protections for Veterans
- VEVRAA Stakeholder Email Message
- Information for the VETS Job Corps demonstration project
- On The Hiring Line!
- TAP Redesigned Effective, VETS Jefferson Tells Senate
- More Updates

Other Resources

- Jobs for Veterans State Grants (JVSG)
- Transition Services
- Compliance Assistance
- Employment Services
- Competitive Grants
- Veterans Employment Current Monthly Data
- Other Resources

THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

GOLD CARD

SERVICES FOR POST 9/11 ERA VETERANS

The One Stop Career Centers are ready to provide you intensive services for up to a six month period through an exciting array of career and supportive services to include:

- Case management
- Skills assessment and interest surveys
- Career guidance
- Job search assistance



HOW TO ACCESS GOLD CARD SERVICES?

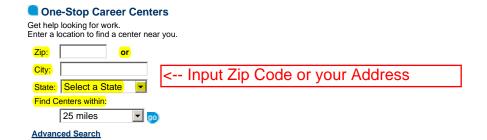
- Information about Gold Card Services can be found at www.dol.gov/vets/goldcard.html.
- Locate your nearest One Stop Career Center by going to America's Service Locator www.servicelocator.org or by calling Toll-Free 1-877-US2-JOBS (1-877-872-5627) TTY: 1-877-889-5627.
- Once a One-Stop Career Center has been located, go there and present this Card.
- Information about other services and benefits can be found at www.ebenefits.va.gov and www.nrd.gov.

Eligible Veterans will receive priority of service in all Department of Labor funded employment and training programs





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America's Service Locator

Find workforce services in your neighborhood or across the country



helpline

For information about jobs, training, and career resources 1-877-US2-JOBS (1-877-872-5627) TTY:1-877-889-5627

For help using CareerOneStop email or call: 1-877-348-0502 or TTY 1-877-348-0501



CareerOneStop is sponsored by the U. S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration

Unemployment Benefits
Find out where and how to file for unemployment benefits in your state

Employment Training

Learn about federally-funded training programs for laid-off workers, veterans, older workers, and more

Workforce System Contacts and Strategic Partners

Connect with Workforce Investment Boards, employment services offices, libraries, community colleges and local employers

<u>State Services</u> Need to locate a state service near you? Create a map to in-person services or find them online with these tools

More Government and Private Sector Resources Find national resources on

employment, housing, community service and more

Keyword Search
Search for employment and related services by keyword and location

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Search Criteria: Zip code - 20707 | Proximity - 25 miles

For areas impacted by natural disasters please call before visiting the office.

Click on one of the One-Stop Career Centers in the list below to view detailed information or get a map with driving directions. -

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Name Columbia Workforce Center	Location 7161 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite D	Service Type Comprehensive One-Stop	
Last Updated: 10/13/2011	Columbia, MD 21046 phn: 410-290-2600	Career Centers	<u>Map Directions</u>
Anne Arundel Community College One Stop Career Center	7000 Arundel Mills Circle Hanover, MD 21076 phn: 410-777-1845	Comprehensive One-Stop Career Centers	
Last Updated: 10/6/2011 MontgomeryWorks One Stop Workforce Center	11002 Veirs Mill Road, 1st Floor Wheaton, MD 20902	One-Stop	
Last Updated: 6/21/2011	phn: 301-929-4350	Career Centers	<u>Map Directions</u>)
Prince George`s One Stop Career Center	1100 Mercantile Lane, Suite 100 Largo, MD 20774 phn: 301-618-8425	Comprehensive One-Stop Career Centers	
Anne Arundel One Stop Career Center	7480 Baltimore-Annapolis Boulevard, Suite 100 Glen Burnie, MD 21061 phn: 410-424-3240 / 410-424-	Comprehensive One-Stop Career Centers	
Last Updated: 4/19/2011 Baltimore County Workforce Development Center at the Liberty Center	3243 (Steven Harrison) 3637 Offutt Road Randallstown, MD 21133 phn: 410-887-8912	Comprehensive One-Stop Career Centers	
Last Updated: 6/22/2011 Northwest Career Center at Mondawmin Mall	2401 Liberty Heights Avenue Baltimore, MD 21215 phn: 410-523-1060	Comprehensive One-Stop Career Centers	
Last Updated: 10/11/2011 Baltimore Works Career Center	(1100 North Eutaw Street, Suite (101) Baltimore, MD 21201	Comprehensive One-Stop Career Centers	
Last Updated: 10/28/2011	phn: 410-767-2148		
Columbia Workforce Center	7161 Columbia Gateway Drive, Suite D Columbia, MD 21046	Affiliate One Stops	7.4 miles Map Directions
Last Updated: 11/18/2011	phn: 410-290-2630	`	<u> </u>
BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport One Stop	Main Terminal Concource C BWI Airport, MD 21240 phn: 410-684-6838	Affiliate One Stops	15 miles Map Directions
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