



WOMEN'S BUREAU
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

RESOURCES

WOMEN VETERANS RESOURCE DIRECTORY

The following links provide information that will help women veterans understand their rights and connect to organizations providing assistance and services.

ADVOCACY

Directory of Veterans Service Organizations

This directory is an informational service of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) that helps veterans connect to Veterans Service Organizations (VSOs). Some VSOs are "chartered," which means they are federally chartered and/or recognized or approved by the VA Secretary for purposes of preparation, presentation and prosecution of claims under laws administered by the VA.

<http://www.va.gov/vso/>

BENEFITS

VA Center for Women Veterans

The VA Center for Women Veterans website provides information about the VA Women Veterans Program, including links to information about health, benefits, burials and memorials, public service, community engagement, VA resources for women veterans, news and updates.

<http://www.va.gov/womenvet/>

VA National Cemetery Administration (NCA)

The National Cemetery Administration (NCA) website provides information on the benefits NCA offers to eligible veterans, including burial benefits and survivor benefits, as well as cemetery information.

<http://www.cem.va.gov/index.asp>

Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA)

The Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) website provides information on the benefits provided by VBA, including compensation, education, training, vocational rehabilitation, employment, home loans, and insurance.

<http://benefits.va.gov/benefits/>

Benefits.gov

Benefits.gov is the official benefits website of the U.S. government. It provides citizens with information on government benefits and guidance on how to apply for assistance.

<http://www.benefits.gov>



CHILD CARE

ChildCare Aware

The ChildCare Aware website provides veterans with detailed information about child care programs and contact information to apply for fee assistance.

<http://www.naccrra.org/military-families>

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Department of Labor's (DOL's) Employment and Training Administration (ETA)

The DOL's ETA website provides information to assist veterans in finding jobs, job training opportunities, and general career information, as well as information on how to apply for unemployment insurance.

<http://www.doleta.gov/>

DOL Office of Apprenticeship (OA)

The DOL's OA oversees the DOL Registered Apprenticeship system. This website has information to help veterans find and apply for jobs through the Registered Apprenticeship system. Apprentices start working from day one, with incremental wage increases as they become more proficient on the job. This website provides a list of apprenticeships across industries, from traditional sectors like construction and manufacturing to emerging sectors like energy and health care.

<http://www.doleta.gov/OA/veterans.cfm>

Transition Assistance Program (TAP) Employment Workshop

The DOL's Veterans' Employment and Training Service offers an online course that shares best practices for transitioning to the civilian workforce. Lessons include searching for jobs, making career decisions, obtaining benefits, writing a resume, and interviewing for a job. Those taking the course receive advice and printable tools for use in job searching and career planning. Follow the link below and click on "DOL Employment Workshop."

<http://www.dol.gov/vets/programs/tap/index.htm>

VA Education and Training Benefits

This website includes information about the GI Bill and provides veterans with a tool to compare VA-approved institutions, as well as a link to apply for training benefits and to get contact information for VA representatives.

<http://www.gibill.va.gov/>

EMPLOYMENT AND CAREER SERVICES AND RESOURCES

American Job Centers

The American Job Center network website provides veterans with information and resources on careers, salary, benefits, and education and training. On this website, veterans can search for jobs, view resume advice, and enter their zip code to get a list of American Job Centers in their geographic location, where they can receive individual employment assistance. Veterans receive priority of service at all American Job Centers.

<http://www.servicelocator.org/>

Department of Veterans Affairs Career Page

This website provides both civilians and veterans with resources offering career advice and information on finding jobs at VA, with other federal agencies, or in the private sector.

<http://www4.va.gov/jobs/>



DOL Programs and Services by Location

This website lists state, local and regional DOL programs and services.

<http://www.dol.gov/dol/location.htm>

DOL Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS)

This page on the DOL VETS website provides information about employment services for veterans, including state contacts and small business/entrepreneurship programs.

<http://www.dol.gov/vets/programs/empserv/>

Feds Hire Vets

The Feds Hire Vets website provides information on veterans' preference, how federal jobs are filled, and unique appointing authorities designed to help veterans find jobs.

<http://www.fedshirevets.gov/job/Veterans.aspx>

Gold Card

This website includes information about the DOL VETS Gold Card Initiative, which provides unemployed post-9/11 era veterans with the intensive follow-up services they need to succeed in today's job market.

<http://www.dol.gov/vets/goldcard.html>

My Next Move for Veterans

My Next Move is a simple search engine where veterans can search careers with key words, browse careers by industry and find civilian careers similar to military jobs.

<http://www.mynextmove.org/vets/>

Occupational Outlook Handbook

The Occupational Outlook Handbook is an online guide to career information about hundreds of occupations. Each occupation profile includes what workers do; the work environment; entry-level education; on-the-job training; pay; the job outlook; similar occupations; and sources of additional information.

<http://www.bls.gov/ooh/>

Veterans Employment Center

The Veterans Employment Center provides tools and resources designed to help veterans and transitioning service members translate their military skills and identify professional strengths, as well as create and post resumes. Public and private sector employers can search thousands of resumes and post jobs free of charge.

<http://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/jobs>

Veterans' Priority

Supported by the DOL Employment and Training Administration (ETA), this website is a valuable source of information on policies and initiatives that primarily affect employment and training programs for veterans provided by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).

<https://veterans.workforce3one.org/>



GENERAL DIRECTORIES

American Red Cross

The American Red Cross website has information on services provided to those serving in the military, veterans, and their families, including emergency communication services for military families. It also provides connections to community resources, resiliency training, and support for wounded warriors and military hospitals.

<http://www.redcross.org/what-we-do/support-military-families>

DOL Resources for Women Veterans

This DOL website offers employment resources and services found to be beneficial specifically to women veterans.

<http://www.dol.gov/vets/womenVeterans/womenvetslinks.htm>

E-Laws e-Vets Resource Advisor

This website helps veterans, service members and all those who support them navigate information and resources on a range of topics, including benefits and compensation, education and training, employment, family and caregiver support, health, homeless assistance, housing, transportation, travel and more.

<http://www.dol.gov/elaws/evets.htm>

Military OneSource

The Military OneSource website provides helplines and resources for confidential help and counseling, information on military life topics, and links to a range of resources, such as spouse education and career opportunities, transition assistance, money management, child care and other helpful information.

<http://www.militaryonesource.mil/>

National Resource Directory

The National Resource Directory connects veterans, wounded warriors, service members, their families and caregivers to resources on benefits and compensation, education and training, employment, family and caregiver support, health, homeless assistance, housing and more.

<https://www.nrd.gov/>

HEALTH

Affordable Care Act

The Health Insurance Marketplace helps uninsured people find health coverage. On this website, veterans can view health plans, apply for health coverage and learn how to use their new insurance coverage.

<https://www.healthcare.gov/>

VA Mental Health Care

This website provides mental health information, resources for veterans and their families to obtain confidential support, and information about the Veterans Crisis Line (1-800-273-8255), which is available 24/7.

www.mentalhealth.va.gov

VA Women Veterans Health Care

This website provides information about health care services available to women veterans, including comprehensive primary care (general care, mental health care, services to those who have experienced military sexual trauma), as well as specialty care such as management and screening of chronic conditions, reproductive health care, and rehabilitation, homebound, and long-term care.

<http://www.womenshealth.va.gov/>



HOMELESSNESS

Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Resources for Homeless Veterans

This page lists HUD's homeless veterans programs, resources, publications and relevant links to agencies and organizations.

<https://www.onecpd.info/homelessness-assistance/resources-for-homeless-veterans/>

VA Homeless Veterans Programs and Resources

This website provides the "Help for Homeless Veterans" hotline (1-877-4AID-VET), and links to VA's homeless veterans programs and resources for health care, housing assistance, mental health, employment and job training.

<http://www.va.gov/homeless/>

JOBSEEKERS WITH DISABILITIES

America's Heroes at Work

The America's Heroes at Work website provides employers and workforce development professionals with information and tools to help returning service members living with Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and/or Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) succeed in the workplace.

<http://www.americasheroesatwork.gov/>

Department of Education (ED) Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA)

The Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) oversees grant programs that help individuals with physical or mental disabilities obtain employment and live more independently by providing supportive services, such as counseling, medical and psychological services, job training and other individualized services. From this website, veterans can sign up for email updates and link to RSA tools and downloadable data.

<http://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/rsa/index.html>

Disability.gov

Disability.gov is the federal government's website for people with disabilities and their families, friends and organizations that support them. The website provides information about disability benefits, health care and housing programs, as well as community organizations that provide job-related assistance, transportation access, and other services that support independent living.

<https://www.disability.gov/>

Job Accommodation Network

The Job Accommodation Network (JAN) website is a source of information about workplace accommodations and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

<http://askjan.org/>

VA Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment

The VA Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment website provides information and application instructions for veterans who may be eligible to receive vocational rehabilitation and employment services to help with job training, employment accommodations, resume development, and jobseeking skills. Other services may include assistance in starting a business or independent living services for those who are severely disabled and unable to work in traditional employment.

<http://www.benefits.va.gov/vocrehab/index.asp>



MENTORING

American Corporate Partners

American Corporate Partners connects veterans to business leaders through mentorships and online career advice. The website offers tools for long-term career development through mentoring, career counseling and networking opportunities.

<http://www.acp-usa.org/>

Business and Professional Women's (BPW) Foundation's Joining Forces Mentoring Plus®

On this website, women veterans of all ranks and eras, military/veteran spouses, caregivers of wounded warriors, and survivors of fallen soldiers can apply to connect with a volunteer workingwoman mentor and receive unlimited free personal coaching and professional guidance.

<http://www.joiningforcesmentoringplus.org/>

Veteran eMentor

The Veteran eMentor Program is a partnership of AcademyWomen and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation's "Hiring Our Heroes" initiative. The program is open to all veterans. Representatives of veteran-friendly firms and other career professionals may participate as career mentors. On the Veteran eMentor website, veteran protégés can receive personalized job search assistance, career guidance, advice, support, and inspiration from experienced veterans, career mentors and veteran-friendly employers.

<http://ementorprogram.org/p/veteran/about>

SALARY INFORMATION

Career OneStop Salary Finder

The DOL Career OneStop website has a salary finder tool that can be used for discovering salary information for more than 800 different occupations.

http://www.careeronestop.org/SalariesBenefits/Sal_default.aspx

Equal Pay Resources

This website provides links to resources, blogs and videos about equal pay for women.

<http://www.dol.gov/equalpay/>

A Guide to Women's Equal Pay Rights

This guide provides information on working women's rights to equal pay and compensation, what steps to take if a woman thinks she has been illegally discriminated against, and resources for further assistance.

<http://www.dol.gov/equalpay/equalpay-employee.pdf>



SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Small Business Administration (SBA) Office of Veterans Business Development (OVBD)

This website links to the SBA's programs and resources available to veterans, service-disabled veterans, reserve component members and their dependents or survivors.

http://www.sba.gov/about-sba/sba_locations/headquarters_offices

SBA Women's Business Centers

The Women's Business Centers website lists 100 business centers throughout the United States and its territories designed to assist women in starting and growing small businesses.

<http://www.sba.gov/tools/local-assistance/wbc>

VetBiz.gov

This website provides information about the VA's Center for Verification and Evaluation (CVE) efforts to verify Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses and Veteran-Owned Small Businesses in order for businesses to be eligible for VA contract set-asides.

<http://www.vetbiz.gov/>

Veterans Business Outreach Program

The Veterans Business Outreach Program website has information about entrepreneurial development services such as business training, counseling and mentoring, and referrals for eligible veterans owning or considering starting a small business.

<http://www.sba.gov/tools/local-assistance/vboc>



FREE OUTREACH MATERIALS FOR SERVICE PROVIDERS

DOL VETS Program Brochures

This website provides a downloadable and printable brochure about DOL VETS employment services for veterans.

<http://www.dol.gov/vets/programs/empserv/main.htm>

DOL VETS Public Service Announcements on Hiring Veterans

This website links to video and audio public service announcements (PSAs) on hiring veterans, featuring R. Lee "The Gunny" Ermey and Montel Williams. In the second of the three PSAs, Montel Williams specifically honors the value women veterans bring to the civilian workplace.

<http://www.dol.gov/vets/psa/>

DOL Women's Bureau Trauma-Informed Care for Women Veterans Experiencing Homelessness Resources

This website features links to the publication Trauma-Informed Care for Women Veterans Experiencing Homelessness: A Guide for Service Providers, a trauma-informed care poster series, trauma-informed Web-based training, and an Assistance for Female Veterans video.

<http://www.dol.gov/wb/trauma/>

VA Women Veterans Health Care Culture Change Campaign Posters and Video

This website provides downloadable posters and a video as part of VA's culture change campaign to deliver the message "It's everyone's job to care for women veterans."

http://www.womenshealth.va.gov/WOMENSHEALTH/culture_change.asp

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