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The primary role of the NVBDC Task Force is to focus on pursuing and achieving tactical and strategic objectives to help Service-Disabled and Veteran-Owned Businesses through partnerships with the MSO/VSOs and organizations such as the leading Veteran businesses training and networking organizations.

Our aim is to work with the organization’s economic development leaders to identify their Veteran business owner members and provide them with information about NVBDC and the importance of certification.

NVBDC is the only Veteran Owned Business Certification organization developed by Veterans for Veterans. The purpose is to provide credible and reliable certifying authority for all size businesses, ensuring that valid documentation exists of Veteran ownership and control.

STRATEGIES

- Identify and contact major MSO/VSOs to create the task force.
- Ask the MSO/VSO organizations to appoint a liaison to work with or join our task force to create new opportunities for members who are also business owners.
- Strategize unique resources from each organization to create an action plan beneficial to the MSO/VSO and their Veteran Business Owner Members.
- Increase awareness, promote Veteran-Owned businesses of ALL sizes in the corporate marketplace, and reinforce the reliability of NVBDC Certification.
- Bring Veteran communities together.

MISSION

“We have watched the launch of many government and educational programs designed to help Veterans learn to start and grow a business.

Unfortunately, most of these efforts are directed towards doing business with the Federal Government and completely miss the much larger corporate market.

The training programs are very beneficial but from our point of view, they stop way short of delivering the needed information to compete at the next level.”

Keith King, Founder & CEO, NVBDC