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Identifying training opportunities


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FORCE MEMBER**



Welcome to the MVO Task Force Connect!

As 2025 comes to a close, it's that time of the year when one reflects on accomplishments achieved and goals attained—and here at the **National Veteran Business Development Council (NVBDC) Military & Veteran Organization (MVO) Task Force**, we are no exception. It was an incredible year for the Task Force. We saw unprecedented growth, with 18 organizations joining our community. We promoted hundreds of events hosted by Task Force members, saw a push into the global arena with an increase in international partners, and launched our first **"Giving Guide,"** spotlighting our Task Force members and the many ways to support them. If you are interested in learning more about joining the Task Force and becoming part of something special, read ahead to learn more—and don't hesitate to reach out. I welcome the conversation.

Moving ahead, this edition invites you to explore the exceptional support our newest Task Force partners offer our military community. The **American Freedom Foundation** supports Veterans, military service members, and their families through collaboration with over 125 organizations all working together for the betterment of our military communities.

Headquartered in Washington, D.C., the **Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States** represents over 450,000 National Guard soldiers and airmen, their families, and tens of thousands of retired members in all 54 states and territories. Its mission is advanced through advocacy for legislation that provides adequate staffing, pay, benefits, entitlements, equipment, and installations for the National Guard.

Learn more about one of our long-standing Task Force partners, **Women Veterans Empowered & Thriving**, and discover how they are expanding their mission to support more of our Veteran community beyond women Veterans.

Sit back and enjoy this month's edition. From all of us at NVBDC and the MVO Task Force, we wish you and your families the very best this holiday season.

Together, we can achieve more for America's Heroes.

LTC (Ret) Kathryn M. Poynton
Director, Military & Veteran Organization (MVO) Task Force
NVBDC Board of Directors



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COFOUNDERS, AMERICAN FREEDOM
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MISSION® ON YOUR FAVORITE
STREAMING PLATFORMS.



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AMERICAN FREEDOM FOUNDATION: SERVING VETERANS THROUGH “YOUR NEXT MISSION” PROGRAMS

For more than two decades, the American Freedom Foundation (AFF) has stood as a powerful advocate for Veterans, service members, and their families.

Cofounded in 2004 by Jack L. Tilley, 12th Sergeant Major of the Army (SMA), and longtime music executive Ted Hacker, AFF was born from a shared mission: to give back to those who serve.

After years in the Nashville music industry, Hacker's life changed during two morale-boosting tours with SMA Tilley, performing for troops stationed in Afghanistan, Kuwait, and Uzbekistan. **“It changed our lives so dramatically that we came home and decided to devote our lives to serving Veterans and their families,” Hacker said.** From that point, AFF became their “next mission.”

What began as a series of nationwide benefit concerts—raising more than \$1.5 million for local Veteran charities—has evolved into three cornerstone programs that continue AFF's legacy of service:

- **Your Next Mission® Video Podcast:** Now in its sixth season with more than 220 episodes, this weekly series educates Americans about the service and sacrifice of our military community while connecting Veterans with critical resources. The podcast reaches thousands through Your Next Mission's robust YouTube channel.
- **Your Next Mission Veterans Hiring Events:** Your Next Mission partners with corporations and nonprofit organizations to hold hiring events to help transitioning service members and military families find meaningful civilian careers.
- **Your Next Mission Veteran Community Support:** This program provides one-on-one assistance tailored to individual needs, powered by a network of 125 nonprofit partners. In just over a year, nearly 900 Veterans have gone through this personalized outreach program.

**YOUR NEXT
MISSION®**

Through each initiative, AFF's work reflects its founders' belief that successful reintegration begins with connection—connecting Veterans to opportunities, employers to talent, and communities to the stories that inspire them to serve those who served. The organization's long-term vision is to expand these connections nationwide through technology, partnerships, and storytelling that bring visibility to the ongoing needs of America's military community.

AFF is also part of the **Face the Fight Coalition**, a national alliance dedicated to ending Veteran suicide and reducing the stigma associated with suicide.

“Everything we do comes back to one purpose—serving those who served,” said Hacker. “And we'll keep doing it until the day we die.”

Veterans, families, and supporters can subscribe to the Your Next Mission YouTube channel to access episodes, resources, and upcoming events. To volunteer or learn more, visit americanfreedomfoundation.org or yournextmission.org.



PROTECTING THE BENEFITS AND FUTURE OF THE ENLISTED GUARD AND THEIR FAMILIES

For more than 50 years, the Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States (EANGUS) has represented the enlisted soldiers and airmen of the Army and Air National Guard—both current members and Veterans, including full-time and part-time Guardsmen, retirees, families, and surviving spouses. Operating across all 54 states and territories, the organization focuses on strengthening benefits, readiness, and long-term support for the Guard community.

At its core, EANGUS is a voice for the enlisted force—educating lawmakers, shaping policy, and building partnerships that strengthen the National Guard community. The organization promotes professional development, unity, and readiness among its members, ensuring that every Guard member and their family are represented and supported at the state and national levels.

“We exist to ensure that those who serve both community and country are fully represented, fully supported, and never forgotten,” said CMSgt Josh J. Baker, president of EANGUS.



EANGUS Members at Legislative Summit.

To address these disparities, EANGUS advocates for benefits parity, fair compensation, expanded healthcare access, duty-status reform, and improved resources for Guard families and Veterans. The association works to ensure the voices of enlisted Guardsmen are heard—whether they are serving on drill weekends, Title 32 orders, or federal deployments.

EANGUS’s legislative efforts are supported by its Washington, D.C., office and annual Legislative Summit, where members meet directly with lawmakers. **Beyond advocacy, the association provides scholarship programs, professional development opportunities, family readiness resources, and emergency financial assistance through the National Guard Relief Foundation.** National and regional conferences further unify state associations and shape the resolutions that guide EANGUS’s agenda.

“Guard service is unique, and so are the challenges. We stand with the enlisted force, their families, retirees, and surviving spouses—because strengthening the Guard starts with taking care of its people,” said Baker.



All States Night at the EANGUS Conference.

EANGUS focuses on enlisted Guardsmen who are often overlooked or underrepresented in national policy discussions. Benefits and protections available to full-time, active-duty personnel don’t always extend equally to Guard members due to differences in duty status, part-time service, and the unique dual state-federal mission of the National Guard. Yet these citizen-soldiers and airmen respond to natural disasters, state emergencies, and federal deployments with the same professionalism as their active-duty counterparts.

Membership is open to enlisted service members, Veterans, families, and supporters. To get involved or explore membership and resources, visit eangus.org.



CMSGT JOSH J. BAKER,
PRESIDENT OF EANGUS



Baker Speaking at the EANGUS Conference.



EANGUS Legislative Workshop.

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JENNY PACANOWSKI, FOUNDER & DIRECTOR, WOMEN VETERANS EMPOWERED & THRIVING



Empowerment Workshops bring Veterans together to share resources, build community, and embrace creativity and camaraderie.



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WOMEN VETERANS EMPOWERED & THRIVING ADVANCES EMPLOYMENT AND RESEARCH IMPACT

Women Veterans Empowered & Thriving (WVE&T) continues to set a national example for innovative, arts-based Veteran reintegration. Founded by Army Veteran Jenny Pacanowski, the organization blends storytelling, ritual, and community to help Veterans move from surviving to thriving after military service. What began as a peer-to-peer space for expression and healing has grown into a fully developed empowerment model now recognized by academic and professional communities for its measurable impact.

One of the organization's biggest milestones this year is the introduction of part-time employment for Veterans serving as empowerment facilitators and public speakers. These paid roles formalize the leadership that has always been at the heart of WVE&T—providing meaningful income and professional experience, while allowing Veterans to continue sharing their stories and guiding others. **“This change reflects our belief that Veterans should be compensated for their time, expertise, and emotional labor,”** said Pacanowski.



WVE&T's programs continue to be grounded in both lived experience and research. In 2025, Pacanowski completed a graduate thesis focused on the organization's Empowerment Reintegration Model, providing formal evidence of its effectiveness. The study analyzed how WVE&T's approach—rooted in guided writing, ritual, and performance—**builds emotional resilience, confidence, and a renewed sense of purpose among participants.** Veterans who engaged with the program reported measurable improvements in self-awareness, coping skills, and community connection.

The research also explored how shared storytelling creates psychological safety and collective growth. Whether through writing, performance, or dialogue, WVE&T's model encourages participants to reclaim their narratives, acknowledge trauma, and rediscover strength through creative expression. The organization's facilitators are Veterans themselves and certified in the Reintegration Empowerment Model of WVE&T. They reference their experiences to mentor others and build bridges between the military and civilian worlds.

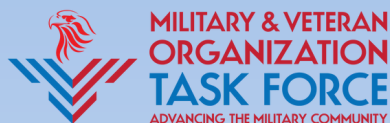
Looking ahead, WVE&T is extending its impact beyond the Veteran community. A new **Support Members of Veterans Empowerment Workshop** offers civilians the opportunity to experience the same framework used in Veteran programs. This interactive session helps non-military participants face and understand the challenges in their own lives, with a focus on learning strategies for resilience and empowerment. The next session takes place on Dec. 16, 2025, with upcoming dates in the new year, in addition to the free, ongoing, virtual empowerment workshops available for Veterans throughout the year.

As WVE&T continues to evolve, its mission remains clear: to ensure that every Veteran has access to meaningful community, creative self-expression, and opportunities to thrive. **“Empowerment isn't just a word for us,” said Pacanowski. “It's a practice, a process, and a promise to keep Veterans at the center of their own stories.”**



Jenny Pacanowski Reads Her Poetry at a Poetic Theater Productions Event.

Learn more about Empowerment Workshops and Women Veterans Empowered & Thriving at womenveteransempowered.org, or RSVP for the December 16 workshop [here](#).



WELCOME 2025 MVO TASK FORCE NEW MEMBERS

- Interactive Advocacy
- Houston Regional Veterans Chamber of Commerce
- Northern Florida Equine Services – H.O.R.S.E. Therapies
- Wellness Recovery Action Plan, a program of AHP
- Remember Veteran Grave Markers
- Captured Branding
- Brodhead Association
- Gutterpy Tents powered by Liquid Screen Design
- Veteran's Last Patrol
- Exact Freedom
- Five and Thrive
- TargetGov.com
- Patriots to Education
- Native American Business Association
- New Jersey State Veterans Chamber of Commerce
- Global Chamber
- The Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States
- American Freedom Foundation

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NVBDC MILITARY & VETERAN ORGANIZATION TASK FORCE: A YEAR IN REVIEW AND A VISION FOR 2026

As the year comes to a close, the National Veteran Business Development Council (NVBDC) Military & Veteran Organization (MVO) Task Force reflects on another chapter of **extraordinary growth, collaboration, and impact across its national network of military and Veteran service organizations.** The MVO Task Force, created to unite national Veteran Service Organizations (VSOs), Military Service Organizations (MSOs), nonprofits, and community partners under one mission—economic empowerment for Veterans—has continued to expand its reach and strengthen its voice across the country.

What began as a small coalition of mission-aligned groups has now evolved into one of the most influential collaborative bodies in the Veteran business space. This year's work demonstrated how powerful that unity can be.

A Year of Expansion: New Members, New Partners, and a Stronger National Network

The Task Force welcomed a diverse group of 18 new organizational partners in 2025—ranging from national Veteran nonprofits and regional support organizations to business associations and community-focused groups. Each organization brings its own strengths, resources, and expertise, creating a richer ecosystem of support for NVBDC Certified Veteran business owners.

The Task Force continues to grow into a coalition that reflects the full spectrum of the Veteran community, from national organizations with decades of history to emerging nonprofits addressing modern challenges. **This year also marked deeper integration between Task Force partners and NVBDC's corporate members, creating more meaningful pathways for collaboration, advocacy, and visibility.**

As more organizations joined, one theme emerged: Veterans succeed when they have access—to resources, to opportunity, and to each other. The Task Force has become the platform where that access is made possible.

Strengthening National Reach Through International Trade Administration Collaboration

One of the most significant milestones of the year was the formal collaboration between NVBDC and the MVO Task Force partner, Global Chamber. This relationship represents a major advancement in NVBDC's mission to expand global access and opportunities.

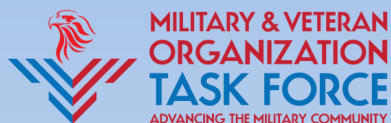


By adding the Global Chamber as a new partner alongside NVBDC's long-standing collaboration with the U.S. International Trade Administration (ITA), certified Service-Disabled and Veteran-Owned Businesses (SD/VOBs) now have access to:

- Export readiness support and one-on-one guidance
- International market and competitive intelligence
- Global business expansion resources and metro-to-metro connections
- Trade missions, cross-border matchmaking, and federal commercial services
- Experts who understand the unique barriers and opportunities facing Veteran entrepreneurs in global markets

This partnership demonstrates the growing recognition of NVBDC's role as a national leader in economic empowerment for Veterans—and it marks the beginning of a long-term effort to support Veterans in global commerce.

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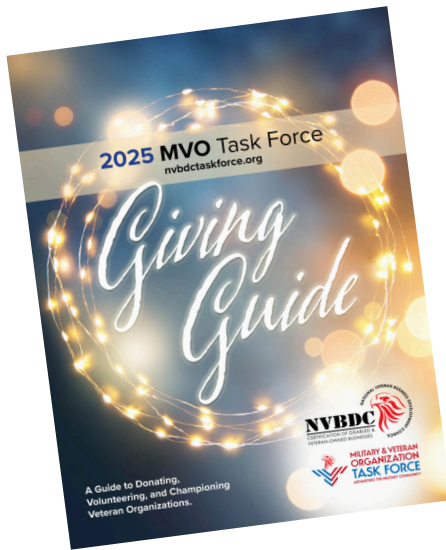
The Launch of the NVBDC Giving Guide: A New Way to Support Veteran Organizations

In 2025, the MVO Task Force achieved one of its most important initiatives to date: the launch of the NVBDC MVO Task Force **Giving Guide**, a dynamic tool designed to spotlight Task Force partner organizations and make supporting them easier than ever.

Looking Ahead to 2026: New Goals, New Initiatives, and Growing Impact

With momentum building, the MVO Task Force is already preparing for a landmark year ahead. Plans for 2026 include:

- Expanding the Giving Guide with richer content, more stories, and stronger donor engagement
- Launching new digital campaigns to increase Task Force visibility across social media
- Deepening collaboration with federal partners, including ITA, SBA, and EXIM
- Creating more procurement pathways by strengthening relationships between Task Force partners and NVBDC corporate members
- Developing new tools and resources to help Task Force organizations share impact, attract supporters, and grow their missions
- Increasing national storytelling efforts, shining a light on the work of member organizations throughout the year
- Supporting global business readiness for NVBDC Certified SD/VOBs through international trade programming
- Enhancing ecosystem-wide collaboration to align Veteran-serving nonprofits, corporations, and government partners around shared goals



The Giving Guide is more than a resource. It is a testament to the spirit of service that drives the Task Force. It elevates the organizations that support Veterans every day and creates new channels for fundraising, storytelling, and national visibility.

As the NVBDC MVO Task Force heads into 2026, the Giving Guide will continue to be a central pillar of Task Force communications, digital campaigns, and donor engagement strategies.

In 2026, the Task Force will continue building a unified national voice for Veteran support organizations—and strengthening the economic opportunities available to the businesses they serve.

A Legacy of Service, A Future of Opportunity

The NVBDC MVO Task Force has proven that when Veteran-serving organizations come together, extraordinary things can happen. This year, that unity created new partnerships, expanded national impact, and provided Veteran-owned businesses with unprecedented access to resources and opportunities.

As NVBDC moves into 2026, the Task Force remains committed to one powerful mission: ensuring that every Veteran-serving organization—and every Veteran-owned business—has the support, visibility, and access needed to thrive.

Together, we are building not just a network, but a movement.

Explore the Giving Guide:
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RECAP



POST-WEBINAR RECAP: “HOW TO DO BUSINESS WITH THE UNITED NATIONS” HOSTED BY THE NVBDC SERVICES COMMITTEE

The recent NVBDC Services Committee webinar, “How to Do Business With the United Nations,” was an outstanding success—bringing together nearly 50 attendees from across the Veteran business community, corporate membership, and global procurement ecosystem. The turnout highlights the strong and growing interest in international contracting opportunities for NVBDC Certified SD/VOBs.

The webinar provided a clear overview of how the United Nations (UN) procures goods and services through dozens of agencies worldwide. With billions in annual purchasing, the UN represents a powerful global market for qualified Veteran-owned businesses.

Participants received detailed guidance on navigating the **United Nations Global Marketplace (UNGM)**—the central platform for all UN vendor registration. The session covered each registration tier (Basic, Level 1, and Level 2), how to select appropriate UNSPSC codes, completing eligibility requirements, and best practices for building a strong vendor profile.

This session is part of NVBDC’s growing international strategy to equip Veteran business owners with the tools, knowledge, and insight needed to compete on a global stage. The Services Committee continues to expand programming focused on global markets, export readiness, and international procurement systems.

Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to the success of this important session. Your engagement reinforces NVBDC’s mission to create opportunities for Veteran-owned companies—across the nation and around the world.



ROBERT MIDDLETON, TREASURER AND U.S. MARINE CORPS VIETNAM VETERAN

NVBDC TREASURER ROBERT MIDDLETON INDUCTED INTO THE MICHIGAN MILITARY VETERANS HALL OF HONOR

The National Veteran Business Development Council (NVBDC) proudly congratulates Robert Middleton, treasurer and U.S. Marine Corps Vietnam Veteran, on his induction into the Michigan Military Veterans Hall of Honor on October 24, 2025, in Lansing.

Middleton received the Hall of Honor Bronze Medallion, along with a tribute from Governor Gretchen Whitmer and a Special Senatorial Recognition from the U.S. Congress, recognizing his lifetime of service and continued leadership within the Veteran community.

A proud Marine and dedicated member of NVBDC’s executive team, Middleton exemplifies the values of honor, courage, and commitment through his work supporting and advancing Veteran-owned businesses nationwide.

Middleton joins fellow NVBDC leaders Keith King and Sid E. Taylor, both past inductees, in this distinguished honor.

NVBDC extends its heartfelt congratulations to Middleton for this well-deserved recognition and thanks him for his continued service to Veterans and the business community.



Certificate of Special Senatorial Recognition Award.

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KEITH KING
FOUNDER AND CEO, NVBDC



A RESOUNDING SUCCESS: NVBDC NATIONAL CONFERENCE UNITES VETERANS AND AMERICA'S LEADING CORPORATIONS IN SPARTANBURG, SOUTH CAROLINA

The National Veteran Business Development Council (NVBDC) proudly hosted its annual National Conference in Spartanburg, South Carolina, marking another resounding success in advancing opportunities for Service-Disabled and Veteran-Owned Businesses (SD/VOBs) across the country.

Over two powerful days, attendees experienced a dynamic combination of corporate matchmaking sessions, panel discussions, networking reception, and a vibrant Veteran Marketplace—all designed to strengthen business relationships, drive growth, and elevate the impact of veteran entrepreneurship nationwide.

The 2025 NVBDC National Conference brought together hundreds of Veteran business owners and supplier diversity professionals representing many of America's leading corporations, including Walmart, Amazon, Dell, Google, Toyota Motor North America, Truist, Adient, Magna, Stellantis, Coca-Cola, DTE, Quanta Services, Robert Half, Tenneco, EY Global, Adient, and PuroClean.



Through one-on-one matchmaking sessions, corporate leaders connected directly with SD/VOBs to discuss procurement opportunities, build partnerships, and promote supplier diversity within their organizations.

continues to deliver meaningful educational and business resources to certified VOBs.

The presentation detailed NVBDC's ongoing series of webinars and corporate resource sessions, which feature supplier diversity executives from major corporations and organizations such as Walmart, Dell, Johnson & Johnson, Truist, Toyota, and Delta Air Lines. These virtual and in-person programs provide invaluable insights into corporate procurement processes, partnership opportunities, and Veteran entrepreneurship growth strategies.



The conference also saw strong participation from the majority of NVBDC's Board of Directors and Advisory Board, who joined in full support of the organization's mission and continued growth. Their active involvement throughout the two-day event—from corporate sessions to keynote discussions and the Awards Ceremony—demonstrated NVBDC's unified leadership and commitment to empowering the Veteran business community. Their presence reinforced the integrity and professionalism behind NVBDC's certification standards and its continued expansion as the original and only trusted authority in Veteran business certification accepted by the members of the Billion Dollar Roundtable.

It also highlighted NVBDC's expanding partnerships—led by NVBDC Founder and CEO Keith King—with the International Trade Administration (ITA), the Small Business Administration (SBA), the Export-Import Bank of the United States (EXIM), and the Global Chamber. While representatives from these organizations were unable to attend the event in person, the collaboration remains active and continues to move forward.

These global alliances are designed to help certified VOBs access exporting resources, connect with global buyers, and enter international supply chains, representing a major step toward taking SD/VOBs global and reinforcing NVBDC's mission to open new markets and opportunities for America's Veteran entrepreneurs.

A major feature of this year's conference was the NVBDC Services Committee presentation, which outlined how NVBDC

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Denny's Hungry for Education Program Presented a Live Check Donation in Support of NVBDC's Scholarship Initiative.



Another key highlight of the conference was a moving presentation focused on NVBDC's JROTC Scholarship Program, which continues to invest in the education of future leaders. During the event, NVBDC hosted a scholarship overview detailing the program's impact and long-term goals to support college-bound JROTC cadets.



In a special moment, Denny's Hungry for Education (HFE) Program presented a live check donation in support of NVBDC's scholarship initiative. This partnership, facilitated by Keith King, and supported by NVBDC JROTC Program Director Dr. Sid E. Taylor, reflects a shared commitment to helping young cadets pursue higher education and leadership development opportunities. The audience responded with enthusiasm and gratitude as Denny's contribution was celebrated on stage.

NVBDC also celebrated its new relationship with the Disabled American Veterans organization, commemorating the historic milestone with an official video. This collaboration represents a shared vision to expand resources, advocacy, and certification awareness for service-disabled and Veteran entrepreneurs nationwide. The video captured the spirit of cooperation and laid the foundation for future joint initiatives designed to empower the broader Veteran business ecosystem.



Conference Attendees Enjoying Lively Discussions and Opportunities to Make Connections.



Building on the momentum from Spartanburg, NVBDC continues to expand its national and international initiatives—strengthening partnerships and developing new pathways to help certified SD/VOBs compete and thrive in the global marketplace.

Join the growing network of certified SD/VOBs and corporate partners driving real economic impact.

Learn more and get certified today at nvbdc.org.

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DECEMBER

2: Community Call

Veterans Growing America

4: Monthly HRVCC Members Meeting Conroe FOB

Houston Regional Veterans Chamber of Commerce

Indiana Boots to Business Reboot

VetBizCentral

5: Line Dance with Sheila Snipes

Veterans Growing America

6: Santa's Little Makers Workshop

Veterans Growing America

7: Women Veterans Empowerment Workshop

Women Veterans Empowered & Thriving

9: Maximize Your Reach Using Social Media and SEO for Lead Generation Webinar

DeltaPoint Partners/DFW Veterans Chamber of Commerce

11: Indiana Boots to Business Reboot

VetBizCentral

All Veterans Empowerment Workshop

Women Veterans Empowered & Thriving

16: Support Members of Veterans Empowerment Workshop

Women Veterans Empowered & Thriving

17: Business & Bullets Chamber Circle

DFW Veterans Chamber of Commerce

Empowerment Workshop @ BattleBorne for All Vets (Hybrid)

Women Veterans Empowered & Thriving

18: Veterans Connect Networking

Veterans Growing America

LGBTQ+ Empowerment Workshop

Women Veterans Empowered & Thriving

Meridian Vet-Working (The OG)

Veteran Entrepreneur Alliance

28: Women Veterans Empowerment Workshop

Women Veterans Empowered & Thriving

HAPPY
Holidays!



JANUARY

15: Meridian Vet-Working (The OG)

Veteran Entrepreneur Alliance

21: Business & Bullets Chamber Circle

DFW Veterans Chamber of Commerce

22: The American Bowl

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JumpStart featuring Coca-Cola

NVBDC Services Committee

29: Annual Champions of Freedom Awards Dinner

ID Veterans Chamber of Commerce

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2026 HIRING EVENT SCHEDULE

BY MONTH

VIRTUAL HIRING EVENTS | MILITARY BASE | MILITARY BASE AREA



JANUARY

15 JB Langley-Eustis Area, VA
15 San Antonio, TX
22 Tampa, FL
27 Western Region
29 Fort Bliss, TX

FEBRUARY

5 Dallas, TX
5 Scott AFB Area, IL
10 Transitioning Service Member/Spouse
12 Atlanta, GA
12 Phoenix, AZ
18 JB Myer-Henderson Hall, VA
19 Houston, TX
24 Eastern Region
26 Fort Bragg, NC

MARCH

5 Columbus, OH
5 Pittsburgh, PA
11 Fort Hood, TX
11 San Diego, CA
17 National
18 Fort Campbell, KY
26 Jacksonville, FL

APRIL

2 Boston, MA
2 Chicago, IL
8 Fort Benning, GA
9 Charlotte, NC
16 Denver, CO
16 Indianapolis, IN
23 JB Lewis-McChord, WA
23 NS Norfolk, VA
28 Central Region
30 Dallas, TX
30 Detroit, MI

MAY

5 Military Spouse
7 Fort Bragg, NC
14 Baltimore, MD
14 Fort Knox, KY
19 National
21 Fort Leonard Wood, MO
21 New Orleans, LA
28 JB San Antonio, TX
28 Phoenix, AZ

JUNE

4 Atlanta, GA
4 NAS Jacksonville, FL
9 Transitioning Service Member/Spouse
16 Schofield Barracks, HI
17 JB Pearl Harbor-Hickam, HI
18 Marine Corps Base Hawaii, HI
25 Fort Carson, CO
25 Houston, TX
30 Eastern Region

JULY

14 Western Region
16 Camp Pendleton, CA
16 Minneapolis, MN
23 NSB New London Area, CT
23 San Antonio, TX
30 NS Norfolk, VA
30 Orlando, FL

AUGUST

4 Central Region
6 Fort Gordon, GA
6 Philadelphia, PA
13 Fort Bragg, NC
13 Indianapolis, IN

AUGUST CONT.

13 JB Lewis-McChord, WA
19 NSB Kings Bay, GA
20 Denver, CO
25 National
27 Dallas, TX

SEPTEMBER

3 Boston, MA
3 Charlotte, NC
17 Atlanta, GA
22 Eastern Region
23 Fort Hood Area, TX
24 Fort Drum, NY
24 Phoenix, AZ

OCTOBER

1 Fort Bliss, TX
1 San Diego, CA
8 Detroit, MI
15 Chicago, IL
15 JB San Antonio, TX
22 JB Lewis-McChord, WA
22 Tampa, FL
27 Western Region
29 Greater Cincinnati Area, OH
29 NS Norfolk, VA

NOVEMBER

4 Fort Benning, GA
5 Fort Bragg, NC
12 JB Myer-Henderson Hall, VA
19 NAS Jacksonville, FL
19 Dallas, TX
24 National

DECEMBER

3 Fort Eustis, VA
3 Houston, TX
8 Central Region
10 Atlanta, GA

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NVBDC SERVICES COMMITTEE WEBINAR JUMPSTART WITH COCA-COLA

Mark your calendar for January 22, 2026, as the NVBDC Services Committee kicks off the new year with an exciting Jumpstart Webinar featuring Coca-Cola.

REGISTER AT: NVBDC.ORG/EVENTS

2026 NVBDC JROTC Fundraising Golf Classic

PAINT CREEK COUNTRY CLUB

TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2026

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