Comcast and NBCUniversal Hire 3,000 Veterans as Part of U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation's "Hiring Our Heroes" Initiative Wednesday, August 13, 2014 01:00:00 PM (GMT)

<u>Comcast Corporation</u> today announced that Comcast and NBCUniversal have hired 3,000 veterans since January 2012, far outpacing the company's goal to hire 2,000 by 2015 as part of its ongoing partnership with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation's "Hiring Our Heroes" initiative.

"Hiring Our Heroes," which launched in March 2011, is a nationwide effort to help veterans, transitioning service members and military spouses find meaningful employment. Comcast's commitment is part of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation and Capital One's Hiring 500,000 Heroes campaign, the largest private sector commitment of its kind with over 1,700 businesses of all sizes involved, including Comcast and NBCUniversal which have supported the program since its inception.

Comcast and NBCUniversal are committed to supporting veterans throughout their entire transition process. Recently, NBC News and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation launched a jobs and education resource portal, called "Next Step for Vets," to connect veterans and their families with up-to-date tools and information, such as resume help, job searches and information on how to launch a business. NBC Publishing also recently released two free eBooks and guides for veterans, <u>Heroes Get Hired: How to Use Your Military Experience to Master the Interview</u> and <u>Everyone Serves</u>.

Comcast and NBCUniversal have a culture that supports veterans, reservists, and military families within its ranks. All employees are invited to join VetNet, an employee resource group where there is a community among veterans. Combined, the Comcast and NBCUniversal VetNet groups have more than 3,000 members and are quickly growing.

"Comcast and NBCUniversal are proud to partner with those who have served our nation," said Dave Watson, Chief Operating Officer of Comcast Cable and an Executive Champion of VetNet. "VetNet focuses on making Comcast and NBCUniversal America's finest vet-friendly company and offers opportunities for employees to get involved in veteran recruiting efforts, networking, community service and career development initiatives."

"Comcast and NBCUniversal have been setting an example for companies to follow from the early days of our program," said Eric Eversole, Vice President at the U.S. Chamber and Executive Director of Hiring Our Heroes. "They were among the first companies to pledge to our Hiring 500,000 Heroes campaign, and to see them triple their initial hiring goal is a testament to their level of commitment to our nation's veterans and military spouses."

Comcast and NBCUniversal have earned wide recognition for the company's commitment to veterans. For example, in 2012, Comcast and NBCUniversal were honored with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation's 2nd Annual "Hiring Our Heroes" Lee Anderson Award for dedication to addressing the challenges faced by veterans, transitioning service members and military families in their search for meaningful employment. Additionally, *GI Jobs* magazine ranked Comcast and NBCUniversal among the "Top 100 Military Friendly Employers for 2014" and the National Veteran-Owned Business Association (NaVOBA) named Comcast and NBCUniversal among the "2014 Best Corporations for Veteran-Owned Businesses."

Comcast and NBCUniversal seek to employ, support and promote veterans in the workforce, and have been committed to hiring thousands of veterans to work in a variety of positions at all levels, including network engineering, technology, operations, theme parks and resorts, programming, customer service, marketing, human resources and other careers.

For more information on job opportunities at Comcast and NBCUniversal, visit <a href="http://www.nbcunicareers.com/our-culture/diversity-inclusion">www.comcast-jobs.com/military/</a> and <a href="http://www.nbcunicareers.com/our-culture/diversity-inclusion">http://www.nbcunicareers.com/our-culture/diversity-inclusion</a>.

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