



Northern Virginia Jobs 4 Veterans Initiative

Veterans in Northern Virginia



- Northern Virginia veterans make up nearly 20% of the total veteran population in Virginia.
- 11,200 are veterans of Afghanistan and Iraq campaigns.
- Both Prince William and Fairfax Counties have a higher percentage of residents who are veterans than the U.S. on average.

(U.S. Census Bureau, 2010)

J4VETS Program Goals

- Establish a coordinated partnership among veteran-serving agencies to create a pipeline of highly skilled veteran job seekers able to fill in-demand positions.
- Focus on employment and entrepreneurship training, job placement and business start-ups in high-growth industries such as Information Technology and Health Care.



Menu of Services

- Educational/Vocational Training

- Assistance in obtaining certifications for higher paying jobs.

- On-the-Job Training

- Get paid while being trained.

- Entrepreneurship Training

- Supportive services designed to help start and expand small businesses.

- Job Placement Assistance

- Guidance in transferring military skills to private sector jobs.
- Connections to hiring employers.



Eligibility Requirements

- All JVETS participants must have a:
 - ▣ DD 214 (honorable discharge).
 - ▣ Valid photo ID.
- **AND meet** one of the following:
 - ▣ A veteran with service-connected disability.
 - ▣ A veteran who has significant barriers to employment and is eligible for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) services.
 - ▣ A veteran who was recently separated from service/employment (within 48 months).
 - ▣ A veteran who served on active duty in the Armed Forces during a war or in a campaign or expedition for which a Campaign Badge has been authorized.

What is WIA?

- The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) offers an integrated and comprehensive range of services consisting of workforce development activities benefiting job seekers—adults, dislocated workers, youth, incumbent workers, new entrants to the workforce, veterans, individuals with disabilities—and employers.
- WIA's objective is to meet employers' needs by increasing employment, job retention, earnings, and occupational skills among all job seeker populations.
- More information on the WIA program may be found at www.myskillsource.org/home/wia.shtml.

Next Steps

- Attend a J4VETS orientation
 - ▣ Please bring the following items:
 - DD 214
 - Valid Photo ID
 - Current Resume
- Submit additional required paperwork.
- Take required assessment (if instructed to do so).
- Meet with Employment Counselor to develop an Individual Employment Plan (IEP).
- Referrals to supportive services/training/mentoring and peer support.

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