



Joining Forces

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UNITING VETERANS WITH EMPLOYERS IN THE AMERICAN WORK FORCE

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Veteran Spotlight

Joining Forces provides employers with a first-hand look at veterans who have exceptional skills and are seeking positions that match their unique skill set.



Ferley Bolivar
Army National Guard
12/2013-Present
 Ferley holds a B.S. in Business Management; a certificate in Logistics; and is trained in medical billing and coding. He has a strong background in

logistic, credit, and finance management and is fluent in Creole and French. Ferley is seeking a position in accounting; finance; inventory or supply logistics/management; or risk assessment in Boca Raton; Ft. Lauderdale; Deerfield; Coral Springs; South Florida or the Southern states. Please share and help Ferley find a new career! Contact carmelita@patriotplacements.org for his full resume.

Vets & Employers Benefit at Job & Resource Expo

Thirty-four non-profits, employers and service providers showcased their services and open positions at the Patriot Placements Veteran Job Resource Expo on February 27 at Kaiser University – Fort Lauderdale. The event was an opportunity for veterans to network with hiring managers, who, in turn, got the chance to appreciate the unique skills that veterans can bring to their company. The three-hour expo included information and resources on veterans' services; breakout sessions on resume writing; interview skills; job search techniques; and LinkedIn accounts; complimentary professional head shots; a promotional code for one year of LinkedIn Premium. Veteran Scott Siegel won the raffle prize, an Apple iPad. Food at the event was donated by South Florida vendors Farm to Fork Meals and Trader Joe's.

Next Expo: July – Details coming soon.

Recruiting Program Helps Employers Hire Veterans

Many employers are interested in hiring veterans but may not know where or how to get started. Veterans have unparalleled knowledge and skills; they are adaptable to changing environments, tasks and deadlines; and they are natural leaders with a strong work ethic. Hiring a veteran is a smart business decision. In addition to the profit their efficiency will bring to a business, employers may be eligible to receive tax credits. Companies that hire unemployed veterans may receive a Returning Heroes Tax Credit; and those that employ veterans with service-related disabilities may receive a Wounded Warriors Tax Credit. Both can dramatically reduce the taxes paid on salaries and save employers thousands of dollars per hire. Patriot Placements has veteran-focused recruiting strategies to help employers expand their hiring efforts. Companies that hire Patriot Placements receive a dedicated recruiter; personalized placement services; a media marketing package; opportunities to attend veterans' job and resource expos; pre-qualified candidate sourcing; pre-interview videos; and coordination of personal interview schedules. All proceeds from the Recruiting Program directly fund the non-profit's personalized services to help veterans and their spouses with career transition; resume writing; interview coaching; networking; job placement; and more. For additional information on the Recruiting Program, contact carmelita@patriotplacements.org.



April is the Month of the Military Child

In 1986, Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger established April as the Month of the Military Child to thank military children for their strength and sacrifices. According to a DoD report, roughly two million military children have experienced a parental deployment since 9/11. There are currently 1.2 million military children of active duty members worldwide. The average military family moves three times more often than their civilian counterpart. For more information and resources, visit <https://militarybenefits.info/month-of-the-military-child/>

Volunteer Spotlight



When asked to describe his role as a Patriot Placements volunteer, George W. Casey responded, "I do whatever Carmelita needs from me." George makes a difference by recognizing that no task is too small or insignificant. A sergeant in the USMC Infantry,

George served with the Fleet Anti-Terrorism Security Team (FAST) Company for two years and the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines, in Camp Pendleton, CA for three years. Today, George is a full-time commercial real estate agent and owner of Mission Success Real Estate, a real estate investing business in Plantation, FL. He is also a board member of the U.S. Veterans Chamber of Commerce. As a volunteer, George appreciates working with like-minded people who share a similar goal. Volunteers like George remind us that we may have stepped forward for different reasons but helping veterans and their families is what brought us together.

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