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Formerly Known as the VTAP Program

The Virginia Values Veterans (V3) Program offers transitioning service members and their spouses the best Virginia has to offer. By providing peer-to-peer support through the transition process, V3 works alongside the transitioning service member or spouse to make referrals that address specific needs. The referral services could include, but is not limited to resume review, introduction to the Virginia Labor Market index, connection with the <u>Virginia Values Veterans</u> (V3) certified companies for employment and other VDVS programs as applicable.

The V3 core areas of focus are those seeking **employment**, **education**, **and entrepreneurship**, but we will also assist those with needs outside of those three core areas. We make a commitment to customer service, and always ensure that referrals are completed with follow-up from the V3 Transition staff.

Over time, the V3 Program has developed a refined network of employers and other resources that have made a commitment to our transitioning service members and their spouses. Through that network, V3 Transition partners to offer multiple connection points with those seeking employment through networking events, job fairs, hiring events, and electronic communications promoting jobs and events. We want service members and spouses to start thinking about transition early!

Through outreach and services, V3 Transition provides a strong case for why a transitioning service member should call Virginia home post-transition.

Goals:

■ Peer to Peer support to transitioning service members and their spouses

- Outreach for the Commonwealth of Virginia, answering the question "Why Virginia?"
- Partner with federal, state, local, nonprofit, and employers to provide the best possible resources to our service members and spouses

The V3 team aims to reach the transitioning community as early and efficiently as possible through our presence on installations throughout Virginia. Our Regional Program Managers present at TAP classes, hold office hours, lead resume and employment workshops, attend job fairs, and set up informational tables at Fort Lee, Fort Belvoir, Quantico, Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, Naval Station Norfolk, Joint Base Langley-Eustis, and Joint Base Little Creek-Fort Story.

Transition Connection Newsletter

If you are a transitioning service member, Veteran or spouse looking for employment, sign up for the V3 Transition Newsletter called the Transition Connection. V3 collects job postings from employers looking to hire veterans and spouses and sends them out twice each week to our list of subscribers. Each posting will host a unique set of job openings for all levels of occupations all across the Commonwealth. We also include upcoming events for you as well and key information you need to know as a Virginia Veteran. In order to join the subscription list, click here.

If you are an employer or resource provider and would like to receive a copy of the Transition Connection, sign up here.

To submit your positions to the newsletter, please use the online submission form HERE.

Events

V3 works to increase connection points between employers and transitioning service member through a variety of events.

Hiring Events and Job Fairs

Hiring Events and Job Fairs offer an opportunity for transitioning service members and their spouses to interact with employers in traditional job fair style events, "speed-dating" style hiring events, and other employment events. To see a list of upcoming events, subscribe to the <u>Transition Connection</u> and get the most up-to-date information.

Resume Writing Courses and Employment Workshops

V3 resume and employment workshops all transitioning service members and their families the opportunities to do some hands-on work to improve their resume, practice their interview skills, and become better prepared for the civilian workforce. V3 Transition is proud to partner with Soldier for Life to host a monthly resume course on Fort Lee. V3 is also partnering with USO PAthfinder to co-host resume writing and employment workshops on Fort Belvoir and Naval Station Norfolk.

V3 Program Partners

Boots to Suits

Boots to Suits is a clothing program for male and female Virginia veterans transitioning from military life to civilian careers. The program provides veterans with two complimentary career outfits, enabling them to look and feel their best for job interviews and non-military work environments. Military spouses who are job-seeking and the main household provider are also eligible for this opportunity. If you are within 60 days of your separation date and would like to participate, click here to submit your request.

Onward to Opportunity - Veterans Career Transition Program

The Virginia Department of Veterans Services is pleased to offer the resources of the Onward to Opportunity in Partnership with the Veterans Career Transition Program (O2O-VCTP) to eligible Virginia transitioning Service Members, Veterans and family members through the Institute for Veterans and Military Families (IVMF) at Syracuse University.

O2O-VCTP is a free, comprehensive career training, certification and employment program designed to launch you into your next career with over 30 industry-recognized learning paths and courses as part of three career tracks: Customer Service, Information Technology, and Business Management. The program offers classroom and web-based training to accommodate all types of learners. Transitioning service members, veterans and military families can also benefit from

the uniquely military employment pipeline with direct connections to career-path counseling, job-ready training and access to over 400 brand name employers.

To learn more, please visit: https://ivmf.syracuse.edu/programs/career-training

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