First and foremost, thank you for your service to both our country and our state. We understand that as a veteran, returning to civilian life can be challenging and include a number of life-changing decisions. Upon returning home, you may decide to continue your education or find a new career path. No matter where you fall on your career journey, WorkForce West Virginia is here to help!

In accordance with Title 38, US Code and State legislation, qualified veterans are entitled to receive a priority in all employment and training programs and services. The Employment Service, a partner in the WorkForce West Virginia One-Stop Career Centers, is the delivery agent for U.S. Department of Labor-funded employment and training programs. Services are provided to all veterans through a network of Job Service offices in West Virginia.

**Jobs for veterans state grant**

Veterans and eligible persons meeting eligibility requirements may be referred to specific veterans’ program staff for specialized services. Disabled Veteran Outreach Program Specialists (DVOPS) are responsible for providing intensive services to qualified veterans at the WorkForce center or itinerant site with a goal of long term sustainable employment of the veteran. Local Veteran Employment Representatives (LVER) conduct outreach to employer and employer groups such as business, industry, and other community-based organizations by serving as an advocate for the hiring of veterans.

**Operation Opportunity: Job fair assistance program**

Hilton Worldwide and WorkForce West Virginia have partnered on Operation Opportunity Initiative. This is a program designed to provide hotel room assistance to veterans with job interviews, skills training, housing searches and any employment testing that would make travel a necessity during your job search. The rooms are provided to veterans at no charge, and WorkForce West Virginia offers assistance with the application process at local offices across the state.

In addition to helping with interview skills and resumes, this program serves as one more way West Virginia is working to assist current service members, veterans and their spouses find jobs faster and most easily than ever before.

For more information:

workforcewv.org/job-seekers/veterans/veterans-job-fairs.html
West Virginia Military Connection

By logging on to this portal, veterans can find links to services for employment, health care, training and education programs and a number of family resources, as well as local contacts and information on benefits specific to veterans.

[wmilitaryconnection.org](http://wmilitaryconnection.org)

Additional services

The Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS) provides a 24/7 online resource assistance to all veterans, as well as to employers who want to hire veterans. The site was designed to be a virtual “first stop” for veterans, transitioning service members and their spouses in the employment search processes. The site brings together job banks, state employment offices, AJCs, opportunities in top trending industry sectors and employer assistance.

For more information, visit:

[veterans.gov](http://veterans.gov)

Additional online resources

A variety of federal and state assistance programs and organizations are available to help veterans transition back into civilian life and find stable, long-term employment opportunities.

[dol.gov/vets/](http://dol.gov/vets/)

[ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/jobs](http://ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/jobs)

[mynextmove.org/vets/](http://mynextmove.org/vets/)

[veterans.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx](http://veterans.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx)