



Message from the Chief • Phil Martial

DID YOU KNOW that less than 1% of the U.S. population serves in the armed forces? More than 140,000 of those Veterans currently call Utah their home. Approximately 12,000 of those Veterans are women. As we celebrate Women's History month in March, I want to recognize our women Veterans for their valuable contributions, both in terms of their individual achievements and collective impact. They bring a wealth of knowledge, experience and dedication.

The Department plays an important role in supporting our Veterans in their search for meaningful employment. By providing tailored job search assistance, career counseling, training and education, resume and interview assistance and other resources, we help Veterans to succeed in the civilian workforce. We have a dedicated team made up of Veterans themselves whose sole purpose is to assist other Veterans. Our team



also engages with employers to help place ready Veterans in suitable job opportunities.

Please consider registering online at jobs.utah.gov and identify yourself as a Veteran, transitioning service member or spouse. Find your local office [here](#). If you have any questions, please contact our Veteran team at utahvets@utah.gov.

Phil Martial, Chief of Veteran and Military Employment Services



Upcoming Events



- April 11 – [Work Ability Career Exploration and Career Fair](#) for Individuals with Disabilities Workshops, 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Job Fair 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- May 4 – [Statewide Virtual Job Fair](#) 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Search for upcoming Workforce Services [workshops and events](#)

Did You Know?

THE UTAH DEPARTMENT of Veterans and Military Affairs (UDVMA) and the Veterans Business Resource Center (VBRC) at Salt Lake Community College have launched a Veteran-owned business registry. This registry will help promote Veteran-owned businesses in Utah by allowing the public to search for and find Veteran businesses to support. The Utah Veteran-Owned Business

Registry can be found at vbr.veterans.utah.gov. Utahns can search by keywords or by the name of the business. Businesses with any level of Veteran ownership can register at vbr.veterans.utah.gov/s/register-business. Veteran status and business license will be verified by UDVMA and being listed on the registry does not represent an endorsement of the business or its services.



jobs.utah.gov/veteran



Utah Patriot Partnership

THE UTAH PATRIOT

PARTNERSHIP is the State of Utah's network of employers who have pledged to extend priority employment consideration to Veterans, military members and spouses. To learn more visit jobs.utah.gov/veteran/4-employer.html It can be a great pathway to achieving the HIRE Vets Medallion Award.

The 2023 HIRE Vets Medallion Award Program is now accepting applications! Apply online at HIREVets.gov. **The application deadline is April 30, 2023.**

Past Utah winners include:

- Corporate Business Consultants (2018)
- DRH Construction (2019)
- [Gauss Management Research and Engineering](#) (2020, 2021, 2022)
- [Western Electricity Coordinating Council](#) (2021)

- Hunter Snowman Productions (2021)
- [Maise Technology](#) (2022)
- [The Arbinger Institute](#) (2022)
- [HurtVet Subcontracting](#) (2022)
- The Emfield Team — Realtypath (2022)

Congratulations to all our past and current winners. We look forward to congratulating even more winners in 2023. Join us for one of the following virtual information sessions:

- Thursday, Apr. 6, 2023, 2 - 3 p.m.
- Wednesday, Apr. 19, 2023, 2 - 3 p.m.

Let us assist you in being recognized federally for your dedication and commitment to Veteran employment. Contact the Veteran and Military Employment Services team today to RSVP for a session at utahvets@utah.gov

Success Stories

After decades of drug abuse and run-ins with the law, Carl is a Veteran who came to Workforce Services for help finding employment while he transitioned to a life of sobriety and met his court obligations. He had experience working in the plumbing industry but faced several barriers to enter the workforce again after many years.

The Workforce Services Veteran specialist helped Carl polish his resume and obtain a job working as a plumber for a large construction project. The ACE program helped him obtain the tools he needed for the job.

Carl has since graduated from Veterans court and was promoted to team lead where he now supervises a team of plumbers. He credits Workforce Services for giving him the confidence, tools and work-ready skills to live a sober and gainfully employed life.

Accelerated Credentialing to Employment (ACE)

THE ACE OUTREACH TEAM

assists Veterans, those currently serving (active duty and reserve) and spouses with obtaining certifications, licensure, clothing and equipment in order to obtain or maintain their employment. To qualify, you must have served one day of honorable service. Documentation needed is either a member 2 or 4 copy of your most recent DD214, a valid military identification card or a statement

of service from your current unit. Spouses must provide copies of the service members DD214 and a copy of a marriage certificate or their dependent identification card. Find out more information about the ACE program and how to contact an ACE specialist [here](#).

Individualized Career Services

THE UTAH STATE OFFICE OF

REHABILITATION (USOR) helps individuals with disabilities obtain meaningful employment, integrate into the community, improve accessibility and independence in their activities of daily living and determine eligibility for federal disability benefits. USOR hosts [bi-annual job fairs](#) to help job seekers with disabilities meet with employers, explore career options and attend workshop sessions. For more information and the application process: jobs.utah.gov/usor/vr/apply.html



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Auxiliary aids (accommodations) and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities by calling 801-526-9240. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have speech impairments may call Relay Utah by dialing 711. Spanish Relay Utah: 1-888-346-3162.