



US Department of Labor Veterans Employment and Training Service (VETS)

Programs and Services for Veterans in Oregon

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Statewide Vets Programs

- Oregon Employment Department

- **Priority of Service**

- Veterans with 1-day of Active Military Duty get priority over non-vets.
- Covered persons: some spouses or caregivers.

- **Other services**

- Referrals to other programs such as SNAP and Step program.
- Priority in training programs.
 - Eligible Training Provider List: [Click here for information on ETPL: State of Oregon](#)
- Assistance with [Work Opportunity Tax Credit \(WOTC\)](#) information for employers
 - Initiative for employers hiring disabled vets, recipient of benefits, justice involved, social security recipient or Voc Rehab, or unemployed persons.
- Information on [Federal Bonding program](#).

Statewide Vets Programs

● Jobs for veterans State Grant

- **Vet staff who work solely with employers, Disabled Vet Outreach Program Specialists (DVOP)** (work with vets who have barriers), & staff who serve both employers and veterans.
- Multitude of employment services through a Case Management approach.
 - Client centered approach to serving veterans
- Assist in overcoming employment barriers, i.e., housing, justice-involved issues, and disabilities, etc.
- Vet Rep POCs for Washington County:
 - Leon Dupont: leon.e.dupont@employ.oregon.gov
 - James Pemley: james.a.pemley@employ.oregon.gov
 - **Potential WA County DVOP hire soon!!!!**
- No vet rep available? **WorkSource Oregon still must provide high level employment services to veterans.**



Virtual training for all veterans



[Link to 541 Here](#)

541VETS is a library of employment readiness resources for rural and frontier Veterans in Oregon. 541VETS was established in the Fall of 2020.

- Tactical Career Planning (Employment Readiness Video Series)
 - Resume and Cover letter Samples
 - DIY Document Prep How-To's
 - DIY Order Military Documents
 - Newsletter archive
 - Pages available in 12 languages
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- www.worksourceoregon.com/541vets



HVRP



- 6 grants statewide ~competitively awarded in 11 OR counties
- **Washington County – Easter Seals Oregon**
 - POC: Kathryn Gerhards, 503-964-1642
kgerhards@or.easterseals.com
- **Work with veterans who are housing-challenged or “at-risk”** of losing housing.
- Require only 1 day **of Active Duty Military Service.**
- Case management approach – create Individual Employment plans.
- Provide support services, and employment materials needed for work (i.e., tools, work gear, minor support costs, pay for training costs, and other employment immediate needs.
- Partner with WorkSource Oregon Vet staff to offer wrap around employment and training services.



*Attention
organizations,
counties and
service
providers!!*

HVRP Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)

- Grant Information at: [HVRP Link Click Here](#)
- Prospective Applicant Webinar: [Link Click Here](#)
~ **February 25 – 12 pm PST** – must register

Other DOL VETS Programs



- Offer [Stand Down](#) funding: Yeah -Vicki Horn!
- [HIRE Vets Medallion Program](#) – National Program Honoring Employers who hire Nation’s Veterans
 - Business Services Team and Vet staff assist with employer outreach to help companies apply to be federally recognized as “veteran friendly”.
 - Employers apply annually (fee involved), then are recognized as “veteran friendly”
 - 2025 HIRE VETS Medallion Ceremony: [Click here to watch YOUTUBE Ceremony](#)
 - Access link above then Click on 1) Awardees, 2) Awardees table, 3) Filter by State Oregon. See next slides for Oregon Employers awarded in 2025.

Vet Friendly Employers - OREGON

HIREVets.gov

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Award Recipient Filter

By Employer Name

By Award Year

By Award Type

Gold

Platinum

By Employer Size

Small

Medium

Large

By Location

Name	Location	Size	Award Type	Award Year
North America Mattress Corp <i>North America Mattress Corp</i>	Clackamas, Oregon	Small	Gold	2025
Seabee Construction	Damascus, Oregon	Small	Gold	2025
Dauntless Wine Company	Forest Grove, Oregon	Small	Gold	2025
S.B. Inc. <i>Sherman Bros. Heavy Trucking</i>	Harrisburg, Oregon	Medium	Platinum	2025
Tekmanagement	Medford, Oregon	Small	Platinum	2025
Cayuse Holdings, LLC	Pendleton, Oregon	Large	Gold	2025
Pacific Crest Bus Lines: Tac Transportation, Inc. <i>Pacific Crest Bus Lines</i>	Redmond, Oregon	Small	Gold	2025
Umpqua Family Therapy, LLC <i>Umpqua Family Therapy</i>	Roseburg, Oregon	Small	Gold	2025
Ondadottedline, LLC	Salem, Oregon	Small	Gold	2025
Northwest Veterans Law	Salem, Oregon	Small	Platinum	2025
VANTAGE POINT CONSULTING INC	West Linn, Oregon	Small	Gold	2025

Other DOL VETS Programs



- Compliance assistance
 - DOL VETS Investigates Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (**USERRA**) discrimination complaints from National Guard, Reservists, and some vets.
 - DOL VETS investigates Federal **Veterans Preference (VP)**
 - If a vet applied for a federal job and does not believe they received their veterans preference, then have right to file a claim to determine proper application of VP category ranking. [Vet Guide](#)
- Work closely with DOD [Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve \(ESGR\)](#) – Yeah - Leanne Babcock!

Questions – Fireside chat

THANK YOU!!!

