General

Colorado Department of Labor and Employment
https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdle/veterans

- All veterans receive priority of service in all of Colorado’s Workforce Center services, and have the opportunity to work with the highly skilled, professional Workforce Center staff to find a job that maximizes their potential.
- Workforce Center staff and Veterans Employment Specialists are available to serve veterans by providing expertise in job and training opportunities such as
  - Résumé and cover letter writing
  - Interview tips and techniques
  - Translating military experience to civilian responsibilities
  - Identifying education, training and experience requirements
  - Navigating online job boards and career fair resources
  - Targeting your job search by industry, and more

Colorado Workforce Center Locator
https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdle/wfc

- Find a workforce center by city or county/region.
- Help with obtaining computer and internet access and the ability to work with a career counselor on training and educational opportunities.

Local Workforce Centers

Denver Workforce Center at Monbello
Serving: Denver County   Office ID: 3144
4685 Peoria St., Suite 251 Denver, CO 80239
Phone Number: (720) 337-9675
Email: workforce.development@denvergov.org
Website: https://www.denvergov.org/Government/Agencies-Departments-Offices/Agencies-Departments-Offices-Directory/Economic-Development-Opportunity/Employers-Jobseekers
VA Resources

VA Education and Career Counseling
Overview of Benefits:
• Assistance with understanding career options
• Guidance on the effective use of VA benefits
• Academic or adjustment counseling and personalized support to help remove any barriers to success
• https://www.va.gov/careers-employment/education-and-career-counseling

Eligibility:
• Active Duty within 6 months of discharge
• Veterans during 1st year following discharge
• Service Members/ Veterans currently eligible for a VA educational benefit
• Anyone currently using a VA education benefit
Enrollment:
- Complete VA Form 28-8832 and mail it to nearest VA regional office
  - Lakewood: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 155 Van Gordon St. Lakewood, CO 80228

VA Vocational Readiness & Employment Services
Overview of Benefits:
- Personalized support directing Veterans to VA services as needed
- Connecting Veterans with training, education, employment accommodations, resume development, and skills coaching.

Eligibility:
- Have received a discharge that is other than dishonorable
- Have a service-connected disability rating of at least 10% from the Department of Veteran Affairs.
- The basic period of eligibility in which Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment services may be used is 12 years from the latter of the following:
  - Date of separation from active military service, or
  - Date the Veteran was first notified by the VA of a service-connected disability rating.
- Severely injured active-duty service members can automatically receive VR&E benefits before VA issues a disability rating.

Enrollment:
- Apply online: https://www.va.gov/careers-employment/vocational-rehabilitation/apply-vre-form-28-1900/start
- Complete form 28-1900 and the Notice to VA Veterans Service Center to the nearest VA regional office
  - Lakewood: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 155 Van Gordon St. Lakewood, CO 80228

Women’s Employment Resources

Business and Professional Women’s (BPW) Foundation’s Joining Forces Mentoring Plus®
https://bpwfoundation.org/

- Unlimited free online career development tools, resources, and confidential guidance—including working women mentors.
- Helps women Veterans craft an individual development plan setting career goals, with benchmarks and action steps.
- Experts and mentors who are able to consult and offer guidance on issues women may face in the workplace.
- Access to job boards, industry training, and credentialing systems.
- Portal access to entrepreneurship resources including assessments, training, and support.
Useful Websites
Apply for a discharge upgrade or correction: https://www.va.gov/discharge-upgrade-instructions/
Troops To Energy Jobs: https://www.troopstoenergyjobs.com/
USA Jobs: https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/unique-hiring-paths/veterans/
Feds Hire Vets: https://www.fedshirevets.gov/
VA for Vets: https://www.vaforvets.va.gov/
United States Department of Labor-Veterans: https://www.dol.gov/general/topic/hiring/veterans