

Veterans Vocational Rehabilitation & Employment Services

Navigation Services



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<u>General</u>

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
 - o 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

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Jefferson County Business & Workforce Center - Golden Serving Jefferson, Clear Creek & Gilpin counties Office ID: 3151 Laramie Building, 3500 Illinois St, Golden, CO 80401 Phone Number: (303) 271-4700 Fax: (303) 271-4708 TDD: (800) 659-3656 Website: www.jeffco.us/Business-Workforce-Center Email: workforce@jeffco.us

<u>Jefferson County Business & Workforce Center – Black Hawk</u> Serving Jefferson, Clear Creek & Gilpin counties Office ID: 3158 2960 Dory Hill Rd. Suite 100, Black Hawk, CO 80403 Phone Number: (303) 582-6003 Fax: (303) 582-5798 E-mail: <u>GilpinWFC@jeffco.us</u> Website: https://www.jeffco.us/business-workforce-center

Jefferson County Business & Workforce Center – Idaho Springs Serving Jefferson, Clear Creek & Gilpin counties Office ID: 3155 1531 Colorado Blvd., Idaho Springs, CO 80452 P.O. Box 3669 Phone Number: (303) 670-7548 Fax: (303) 567-2274 E-mail: workforce@jeffco.us Website: www.jeffco.us/Business-Workforce-Center

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
- <u>https://www.va.gov/careers-employment/education-and-career-counseling</u>

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

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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
- Apply online: https://www.va.gov/careers-employment/education-and-career-counseling/apply-career-guidance-form-28-8832/introduction

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.
- https://www.benefits.va.gov/vocrehab/index.asp

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:
 - o 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: <u>https://www.va.gov/careers-employment/vocational-rehabilitation/apply-vre-form-28-1900/start</u>
- 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.

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Useful Websites

Apply for a discharge upgrade or correction: <u>https://www.va.gov/discharge-upgrade-instructions/</u> Troops To Energy Jobs: <u>https://www.troopstoenergyjobs.com/</u>

USA Jobs: <u>https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/unique-hiring-paths/veterans/</u> Feds Hire Vets: <u>https://www.fedshirevets.gov/</u>

VA for Vets: https://www.vaforvets.va.gov/

Department of Defense Hiring Heroes: <u>https://godefense.cpms.osd.mil/veterans/hiringheroes.aspx</u> United States Department of Labor-Veterans: <u>https://www.dol.gov/general/topic/hiring/veterans</u>