# State of Florida

### **Military Benefits Fact Sheet**

**Summary:** The state of Florida offers special benefits for its military service members and veterans including homestead tax exemptions, state employment preferences, education and tuition assistance, vehicle tags, as well as hunting and fishing license privileges. Eligibility for some benefits may depend on residency, military component and veteran disability status.

## State Benefit Highlights and Eligibility

**State Tax Advantage:** No State Tax on military pay **Eligibility:** Air/Army National Guard

**Homestead Tax Exemptions for Veterans:** Any real estate owned and used as a homestead by a veteran is exempt from taxation.

**Eligibility:** Veteran must have been honorably discharged and have a rated serviceconnected, permanent, and total disability; the veteran must be a permanent resident of the state on January 1 of the tax year for which exemption is being claimed. FS 196.081(1)

- Homestead Tax Exemptions for Veteran's Spouse: If, upon the death of the veteran, the spouse holds the legal or beneficial title to the homestead and permanently resides there, the exemption from taxation carries over to the benefit of the veteran's spouse until such time as he or she remarries, sells, or otherwise disposes of the property. If the spouse sells the property, an exemption not to exceed the amount granted from the most recent ad valorem tax roll may be transferred to the new residence as long as it is used as the primary residence and the spouse does not remarry. FS 196.081(3)
- Homestead Tax Exemptions for Veteran's Surviving Spouse: Any real estate owned and used as a homestead by the surviving spouse of a member of the Armed Forces who died from service-connected causes while on active duty is exempt from taxation if the member was a permanent resident of this state on January 1 of the year in which the member died. FS 196.081(4)

Real Estate Tax Exemption for Disabled Veterans: Veterans who are paraplegic, hemiplegic, permanently and totally disabled, must use a wheelchair for mobility, or are legally blind, may be exempt from real estate taxation. Check with local property appraiser to determine if gross annual household income qualifies.
Eligibility: The veteran must be a resident of Florida and have a documented and rated disability through the VA. FS 196.101

**Homestead Property Tax Exemption:** Eligible, resident veterans with a VA certified service-connected disability of 10% or greater shall be entitled to a \$5,000 homestead property tax exemption.

**Eligibility:** The veteran must establish this exemption with the county tax official in the county in which the veteran resides by providing documentation of this disability from the VA. If the benefit is in effect at the time of death of the veteran, the benefit will carry over to the unremarried spouse who had been married to the deceased veteran for at least five years. If the spouse sells the property, an exemption not to exceed the amount granted in the most recent ad valorem tax roll may be transferred to the new residence if used as the primary residence. FS 196.24

 Service personnel entitled to homestead exemption in this state, and who are unable to file in person may file through next of kin or a duly authorized representative. FS 196.071

Ad Valorem Tax/Disabled Veterans: Provides additional property tax relief to veterans with combat-related disabilities. Veterans are eligible for property tax exemptions equal to the percentage of their disabilities.

**Eligibility:** Eligible resident if over the age of 65 and prior Florida resident to service in the military.

## **Education Benefits**

**Free undergraduate Tuition at State Colleges and Universities for PH:** Florida recipients of the Purple Heart and combat-related decorations ranked superior in precedence to the Purple Heart. FS 295

**Eligibility:** Florida resident when awarded the Purple Heart or combat-related decorations.

**Educational Dollars for Duty (EDD):** 100% paid tuition at state colleges/universities up to an undergraduate Bachelor's of Arts (BA) degree. Can apply for Florida National Guard sponsored scholarship (NGOA-F) for \$1,000. FS 250.10 **Eligibility:** Air/Army National Guard member who has less than 15 years of service and who joined the Florida National Guard after 1 July 1997. The service member has 5 years to use benefit from date of eligibility and has a three-year obligation after completing degree or from last semester of usage of funds. Service member is required to sign agreement prior to utilization of the program.

**State Tuition Exemption Program (STEP)**: 50% waiver at any state school or university up to a BA degree.

**Eligibility:** Air/Army National Guard member who has less than 15 years of service. The service member has 10 years to use benefit from date of eligibility and waiver can be used in conjunction with Federal Tuition Assistance. Service member has a threeyear obligation after completing degree or from last semester waiver was granted. Service member is required to sign agreement prior to utilization of the program.

**Reduced Tuition for National Guard:** Active Florida Guard members are exempt from one-half tuition and fees at post-secondary, public educational institutions. FS 250.10

**Educational Benefits for Children of Guard Members:** Priority placement to National Guard members children in gifted and special needs programs.

**Reserve Education Assistance Program (REAP):** Reservist and National Guardsmen who serve multiple tours on active duty can get an increase in their education benefits retroactive to October 1, 2007.

**Eligibility:** Members who accumulate three years on active duty, regardless of breaks in service, may be eligible for the maximum payment. May be eligible to use REAP benefits for a period of ten years following discharge.

**Education for Children of Deceased or Disabled Florida Veterans:** Florida provides four year college educational opportunities for dependent children of deceased or total and permanently disabled veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces through the Scholarships for Children of Deceased or Disabled Veterans (CDDV). Students receive monetary benefits covering certain costs at any eligible state or private post-secondary educational institution in Florida. FS 295.01

**Eligibility:** The parent veteran must have been a Florida resident for one year prior to the date of death or disability. Dependent children of a Florida veteran whose death or disability occurred in any of the actions specified below are exempt from the one year residency requirement for CDDV participation but still must meet residency requirements for student financial aid. FS 295.01-295.0185. The Iranian Rescue Mission (Operation Eagle Claw), the Lebanon and Grenada military actions, the military transport airplane crash in Gander, Newfoundland on December 12, 1985, the attack on the USS Starke on May 17, 1987, Operation Just Cause, Operation Desert Shield/Storm; Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom.

**Tuition Deferment:** Any veteran or other eligible student covered under Title 38, U.S.C. is allowed one tuition deferment each academic year; an additional deferment may be authorized when a delay in benefits occurs. FS 1009.27

### **Employment:**

**Employment Assistance:** The usual fee shall not be required for the issuance of a Commission as a Notary Public.

**Eligibility:** Veteran who served during a period of wartime service, and who has been rated 50% or more for service-connected disability. Other fees may apply. FS 113.01

**Occupational license Taxes:** A disabled wartime veteran who is unable to perform manual labor and his/her unremarried spouse shall be exempt from this tax up to \$50. **Eligibility:** A veteran/ surviving spouse who are Florida residents, who served in a period of war and has a current disability. FS 205-171

**Employment Preference:** Employment preferences, where numerically based examinations are used as a device for selections, consists of adding ten points to the score of the first category of applicants (disabled veterans and spouses of disabled or missing veterans) and five points to the score of other preference-eligible applicants. The names of all the preference-eligible applicants shall be placed on a register or

employment list, beginning with those disabled veterans with disability ratings of 30 percent or more, and followed by all other preference-eligible applicants in the order of their augmented ratings.

A veteran can file a complaint with the FDVA when a non-preference applicant has been employed instead of an equally-qualified veteran. FS 295.101. **Eligibility:** Section 295.07, Florida Statutes, extends veterans' preference to:

 A veteran with a service-connected disability who is eligible for or receiving compensation, disability retirement, or pension under public laws administered by

- the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense.
  The spouse of a veteran who cannot qualify for employment because of a total and permanent service-connected disability, or the spouse of a veteran missing in action, captured, or forcibly detained by a foreign power.
- A veteran of any war who has served on active duty for one day or more during a wartime period, excluding active duty for training, and who was discharged under honorable conditions from the Armed Forces of the United States of America.
- The unremarried widow or widower of a veteran who died of a service-connected disability.
- The Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, as well as the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal are qualifying for Veterans' Preference, provided the individual is otherwise eligible.

# **Employment Preference:**

The state and political subdivision of the state shall give preference in employment and retention in government positions to honorable discharged veterans with war time service, or who are disabled with compensable service-connected disabilities as well as to a spouse or unremarried veteran's widow or widower under certain circumstance. FS 295.07.

**Eligibility:** A person eligible for veterans' preference does not forfeit employment preference eligibility once he/she as been employed by a state agency or any political subdivision of the state. An applicant for veterans' preference may file a complaint with FDVA. FS 295.07, 295.11.

**Employment Assistance Programs:** Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation (AWI) has multiple programs to assist veteran in obtaining employment and training. The AWI's One-Stop Career Centers are staffed with a network of professional Disabled Veterans outreach Program (DVOP) specialist and Local Veterans Employment Representatives (LVER) staff who are tasked to provide priority workforce services to veteran customers.

**Eligibility:** All veterans except those who have a dishonorable discharge. <u>http://www.floridajobs.org/workforce/veterans.html</u> and <u>http://www.hirevetsfirst.gov</u>.

See attachment AWI Programs, Veteran's Workforce Program.

### Special Vehicle License Plates and Permits

Congressional Medal of Honor License Plate: No fee.

**Eligibility:** Veteran owner or lessee (or their unremarried surviving spouse) of an automobile for private use, who is a resident of the state and has been awarded the U.S. Congressional Medal of Honor may be issued a special plate. FS 320.0893

**Prisoner of War (POW) Plate:** License plates stamped with the words "EX-POW" are tax exempt; however, administrative fees apply. FS 320.089(2) **Eligibility:** Veteran or member of the Armed Forces, who is a former Prisoner of War, may be issued this special license plate.

**Special Armed Forces Plate:** Entails payment of the license tax and administrative fees and makes the license plate award permanate. **Eligibility:** Applicant is an active or retired member of the Florida National Guard, the Armed Forces Reserve. FS 320.089(1)

**Purple Hear Plate:** Taxes and administrative fees are charged. **Eligibility:** Applicant has been awarded the Purple Heart Medal FS 320.089(1)

**Florida Driver's License:** No fee for driver's license for disabled veterans **Eligibility:** Any veteran honorably discharged from the Armed Forces who has a valid FDVA disabled veteran identification card or who has been determined by the VA or DoD to have a total and permanent service-connected disability and is qualified to obtain a driver's license. FS 322.21(7)

**Handicapped Toll Permit:** A window sticker will be issued by the Florida Department of Transportation for Veteran drivers with permanent upper limb impairments/disabilities substantially affecting their ability to deposit coins in toll baskets will pass free through all toll gates.

**Eligibility:** Handicapped drivers with a valid driver's license who operate a vehicle specially equipped for the handicapped and are certified by a licensed physician or the VA as having permanent upper limb impairments/disabilities. FS 338.155(3)

**Disabled Veteran Motor Vehicle License Plate:** One free disabled veteran "DV" license plate will be issued for any leased or owned motor vehicle. No state agency, county, municipality, or agency thereof may charge the driver of a vehicle displaying a Disabled Veteran license plate any fee for parking on the public streets or highways or in any metered parking space. Free license plates with a wheelchair emblem are available for those veterans permanently confined to a wheelchair and who otherwise qualify for a DV plate.

**Eligibility:** 100% permanent and totally disabled veteran, or a disabled veteran with less than 100% disability with proof that his/her vehicle was acquired or modified for use through financial assistance of the VA. Veteran must have been a resident of Florida continuously for the past five years prior to application or has established a domicile in

the state. Service charges may apply. FS 320.084(1)(4)(a)(5)

**Disabled Parking Permit for Veteran With Permanent Mobility Problems:** No state agency, county, municipality, or agency thereof may charge the driver of a vehicle displaying a Disabled Parking Permit any fee for parking on public streets or highways or in any metered parking. FS 320.084(5) Fees are \$1.50 for the initial parking permit, \$1 for each additional, \$1.50 for renewal permit and \$1 for each additional renewal. Fees are paid to the tax collector of the county. No more than two exemption parking permits are permitted per applicant. FS 320.0848(2)(c)

**Eligibility:** An honorably discharged Florida veteran who has been determined by the VA or the DoD to have a service-connected disability rating of 50% or more and has a signed medical statement of qualification verifying a permanent

mobility problem, is eligible for a Disabled Parking Permit. Any licensed podiatric physician or optometrist, an advanced registered nurse practitioner under the protocol of a licensed physician, or a licensed physician's assistant can certify this statement. FS 320.0848(2)(e)

**Injury and Death Benefits:** State Active Duty retained on duty up to 1 yr plus medical costs, after 1 yr placed on worker's compensation. Survivor benefits of \$25,000 + worker's compensation if service member killed/dies of injury **Eligibility:** Air/Army National Guard member

**Medical Benefits:** Worker's compensation; State Active Duty call-up-Humana; Line-ofduty full pay statute for up to 1 yr, after 1 yr regular worker's compensation rate. **Eligibility:** Air/Army National Guard members

**Group Insurance:** Between \$50,000 and \$150,000 per active National Guard Member. Offers voluntary additional life insurance, up to \$50,000, through a private insurer (war clause omitted).

Eligibility: Active Air/Army Florida National Guard member

Workers Compensation: State Active Duty Eligibility: Air/Army National Guard member

**Disabled Veteran Hunting and Fishing License:** A state hunting and fishing license shall be issued without fees for five years to any disabled veteran who is a resident of the state, permanently and totally disabled, and currently certified by a licensed physician of this state or the VA, or who has been issued a valid disabled veteran I.D. card by the FDVA.

**Eligibility:** A five-year freshwater, saltwater fishing license is issued without fees to members of any branch of the U.S. Armed Forces or any person who is a resident of the state and who is permanently and totally disabled as certified by the VA or the DoD, or who holds a valid disabled veteran I.D. card issued by the FDVA. FS 372.562

Hunting and Fishing License for Soldiers on Leave: No hunting or fishing license shall be required for military service personnel who are Florida residents on leave for 30 days or less. FS 372.562(2)(c)

### Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission offers a Military

**Gold Sportsman's License and Reduced-Fee Annual License:** The reduced-fee annual license (\$20) offers the same privileges as the traditional Gold Sportsman's License (\$83.50). The license is only available at tax collectors' offices. Applicants must show their military ID cards plus a Florida driver's license or orders showing they are stationed in Florida. FS 372.57(4)(j)

**Eligibility:** Active duty, Armed Forces Reserve, National Guard, U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Coast Guard Reserve, and retired military who are stationed in Florida or have lived in the state for six months and claim Florida as their primary residence.

### **Miscellaneous Benefits:**

**Disabled Veteran Identification Card:** A disabled veteran I.D. card will be issued to any veteran who is a permanent resident of the state and is determined by the VA or the Department of Defense (DoD) to have a 100% service-connected, permanent and total disability rating (FS 295.17). This card may be used as proof of eligibility for any state benefit except Exemption of Homesteads.

**Certification of Discharge or Separation:** The Clerk of the Circuit Court shall record, without cost, certification of discharge or separation from the Armed Forces. CAUTION: Once on file with the Circuit Court, documents become official court records which are open to the public. To remove a military discharge record from the official court, make requests through the Court Clerk's office. Record removal is permanent and certified copies will no longer be available from the Clerk. FS 28.222(3)(d)

**Disabled Veterans Exemption From Certain Licenses and Fees:** Totally and permanently disabled Florida veterans shall not be required to pay license or permit fees to any county or municipality in order to make certain improvements to assist with their disability on any mobile home owned and used by the veteran as his/her residence. Improvements are limited to ramps, widening of doors, and similar improvements for the purpose of making the mobile home habitable for veterans confined to wheelchairs. FS 295.16

**Florida State Veterans' Homes Program:** The state has 5 veterans' nursing homes and one domiciliary home. Basic admission requirements for all veterans' nursing homes in Florida include an honorable discharge, Florida residency for one year prior to admission and certification of need of nursing home care by an VA physician.

Additional National Guard Members Benefits: Pay schedule for state ordered active duty is identical to the federal pay schedules, plus \$20 per day additional pay for enlisted members. State employees receive difference in salary during state ordered active duty if their military pay is less than their state job pay. Guard members receive rent protection during state activation. The 2005 legislature created a Family Readiness program to assist critical need of family members caused by federal activation relater to the Global War on Terrorism.

#### INSTALLATIONS AND FACILITIES IN FLORIDA

Active Duty Installations: No Active Duty Army Installations; Air Force Bases and Naval Air Stations provide Military I.D. services, Commissary shopping, Px/Bx shopping and other services.

http://benefits.military.com/misc/installations/Browse\_Map.jsp?state=FL

Air Force Bases, Florida: Eglin AFB, FL Hurlburt AFB, FL MacDill AFB, FL Patrick AFB, FL Tyndall AFB, FL Naval Air and Coastal Systems Stations, Florida:

NAS Jacksonville, FL NAS Key West, FL NS Mayport, FL NSA Orlando, FL NAS Pensacola, FL NAS Whiting Field, FL NCSS Panama City, FL

#### **Coast Guard, Florida:**

<u>USCG Miami, FL</u> <u>USCG St. Petersburg, FL</u> <u>USCG Clearwater, FL</u> **81<sup>st</sup> Regional Readiness Command:** http://www.armyreserve.army.mil/USARC/RRC/0081RRC/0081\_RRC\_Overview.htm

Florida Air National Guard: http://www.fljack.ang.af.mil/

Veterans Administration (VA) Medical Facilities in Florida http://www1.va.gov/directory/guide/state.asp?State=FL&dnum=ALL VA Medical Centers Gainesville: Malcom Randall VAMC, NF/SGVHS Orlando: Orland VAMC Lake City: Lake City VAMC, NF/SGVHS Miami: Miami VAMC Tampa: James A. Haley VAMC West Palm Beach: West Palm Beach VAMC

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# **AWI PROGRAMS - JOB PLACEMENT AND TRAINING**

### VETERAN'S WORKFORCE PROGRAM

Qualified staff in Florida's state-of-the-art One-Stop Career Centers provides a myriad of priority customer-driven workforce services to veterans, military members, and families.

#### GREAT EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

- U.S. Custom's and Border Patrol is seeking Import Specialists throughout the country
- <u>NEWS FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S. SENATE COMMITTEE ON</u> VETERANS' AFFAIRS
- <u>ABLE Vets</u> (slide show) NEW
- <u>Florida Educational Institutions Offering Credit for Military Experience</u> Education benefits are one of the top reasons for joining the military. However, veterans are often unaware of the choices and opportunities available to them in continuing their education. In addition to the funding available to veterans through the GI Bill it is likely that your military service has earned you college credit. Many schools and colleges award students who are veterans credit towards a degree based on training, coursework, and occupational specialty. AWI is in the process of developing a comprehensive listing of all the educational institutions in Florida that offer credit for military experience. Knowing this can save you tuition dollars and time in the classroom.

#### HIRE VETERANS FIRST

- HireVetsFirst is the ultimate web portal for both veterans and employers who want to hire veterans. This comprehensive career website empowers employers with a resource for hiring veterans of America's military through the nation's One-Stop Career Centers and assists veterans with a national network of employment resources.
- For additional information visit: <u>http://www.HireVetsFirst.gov</u>

#### HOMELESS VETERANS' REINTEGRATION PROGRAM (HVRP)

- The purpose of the Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP) is to provide services to assist in reintegrating homeless veterans into meaningful employment within the workforce and to stimulate the development of effective service delivery systems that will address the complex problems facing homeless veterans. HVRP Grant funds are awarded on a competitive basis to eligible applicants such as: State and local Workforce Investment Boards, public agencies, for-profit/commercial entities, and non-profit organizations, including faith based and community based organizations.
- Grantees provide an array of services utilizing a case management approach that directly assists homeless veterans as well as provide critical linkages for a variety of supportive services available in their local communities. The program is "employment focused" and veterans receive the employment and training services they need in order to re-enter the labor force. Job placement, training, job development, career counseling, resume preparation, are among the services that are provided. Supportive services such as clothing, provision of or referral to temporary, transitional, and permanent housing, referral to medical and substance abuse treatment, and transportation assistance are also provided to meet the needs of this target group.
- For additional information visit: <u>www.dol.gov/vets/programs/hvrp/main.htm</u>

#### MILITARY FAMILY EMPLOYMENT ADVOCACY PROGRAM

• The Military Family Employment Advocacy Program delivers employment assistance services, including interviewing, assessment, counseling, job search and placement assistance, labor market information, resume assistance, etc., through Military Family Employment Advocates co-located within selected One-Stop Career Centers. Persons eligible include spouses and

dependents of active-duty military personnel, Florida National Guard members, and military reservists. Military Family Employment Specialists are located at the following One-Stop Career Centers:

| Military Family Employment Advocacy Program Locations                        |  |   |  |
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| Patrick AFB, FL 32925  | Center<br>409 NE Race Track Road<br>Ft. Walton Beach, FL 32547-2503  | Jacksonville Workforce<br>Center<br>6800 Southpoint Pkwy, Suite 950<br>Jacksonville, FL 32216<br>(904) 997-3100 Ext. 2350 |  |
|  | West Dade One-Stop Career<br>Center<br>2700 SW 97th Av.<br>Miami, FL 33139<br>305-228-2300, ext. 4235                  | Orange County One-Stop<br>Career Center<br>East Colonial Drive<br>Orlando, Florida 32803<br>(407) 531-1227 Ext. 4033      |  |
| Workforce Center<br>625 Highway 231<br>Panama City, FL 32405<br>850-872-4340 | Escarosa Career Center-<br>Pensacola<br>3670 – A North L Street<br>Pensacola, Fl 32505-5217<br>(850) 595-5200 Ext. 120 | Tampa Bay Workforce Alliance<br>9215 North Florida Av.,<br>Ste 101<br>Tampa, FL 33612<br>813-930-7651                     |  |

#### REALifelines

- This program seeks to support the economic recovery and reemployment of transitioning wounded and injured military service members and their families by identifying barriers to employment or reemployment and addressing those needs. Professional and personalized intervention is provided for military service members and their families during recovery and rehabilitation. Under this program, early access to job and career service professionals, i.e. DVOP/LVER staff, is guaranteed in their home communities nationally and in Florida prior to and upon discharge.
- For additional information visit: <u>http://www.dol.gov/vets/REALifelines/index.htm</u>

#### TRAINING

- <u>Veterans Training Presentations</u> (Slide Shows)
- <u>2006 Veterans' Workforce Training Workshop Agenda</u>

#### TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

- Florida's Transition Assistance Programs (TAP), which are operational at eleven military sites statewide, provide important employability skills training and other benefits information to military members and their spouses in their transition from military to civilian society. Participation in TAP facilitates an expeditious path to a quality career.
- For additional information visit: <u>www.dol.gov/vets/programs/tap/main.htm</u>
- <u>Transition Assistance Program (TurboTAP)</u>:

#### TRANSITIONING INCARCERATED VETERANS' PROGRAM (TIVP)

• The Transitioning Incarcerated Veterans' Program (TIVP) provides transitional assistance, including employability skills training, counseling, case management, job search and placement assistance to incarcerated veterans who are transitioning out of the correctional center system.

This is a collaborative partnership with the federal and state correctional centers in Florida. TIVP Specialists are located at the following One-Stop Career Centers:

Marianna One-Stop Career Center 4636 Hwy. 90 East, Ste E Marianna, FL 32446 850-718-0326 Workforce Career Center Crown Professional Complex 971 West Duval Street Lake City, FL 386-755-9026

#### VA WORK STUDY PROGRAM

- This program is available to any student receiving VA educational benefits by attending school three-quarter time or more. An individual working under the VA Work Study Program may work at a One-Stop Career Center, university/college office, VA Vet Center, VA medical centers, or at other authorized sites. Work-Study students are paid at either the state or federal minimum wage, whichever is greater.
- For additional information visit: <u>http://www.gibill.va.gov/pamphlets/wkstud.htm</u>

#### VETERANS' WORKFORCE INVESTMENT PROGRAM (VWIP)

- The intent of the Veterans Workforce Investment Programs (VWIP) is to support employment and training programs, through grants or contracts to meet the needs for workforce investment activities of veterans with service-connected disabilities, veterans who have significant barriers to employment, veterans who served on active duty in the armed forces during a war or in a campaign or expedition and a campaign badge authorized, and recently separated veterans.
- Through VWIP Programs, veterans will also have access to skills assessment, individual job counseling, labor market information, classroom or on-the-job training, skills upgrading and retraining, placement services, and DVOP/LVER services. Veterans receiving assistance under VWIP may also be eligible for services under other Workforce Investment Act programs that serve economically disadvantaged or dislocated workers.
- For additional information visit: <u>www.dol.gov/vets/programs/vwip/main.htm</u>

#### VA VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AND EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

- The Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) Program is an employment and training program facilitated by DVOP and LVER staff to assist disabled veterans who are being trained/retrained and rehabilitated for new careers by the U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs.
- DVOP and LVER staff provide workforce and other services to VR&E referred, special disabled veterans participating in the VR&E Program (Chapter 31, Title 38, USC). Other services include on-the-job training (OJT) development, non-paid work experience, selective job placement, case management, counseling, follow-up services, provision of job-seeking skills training, job analysis, labor market information, etc.
- For additional information visit: <u>http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/vre/index.htm</u>



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#### FLORIDA VETERANS' RESOURCES

- RWB Veterans' Program Websites
- Florida's Veterans' Program Staff Directory
- <u>County Veteran Service Officers</u>

#### Veteran's Program additional program information:

- <u>Legislation/Prog Letters</u>
- <u>Memos of Understanding</u>
- <u>Reports</u>
- Resources



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