Veterans Corner

Honor a Hero, Hire a Vet - Job and Resource Fair on April 21

Mark Your Calendars! The Kings County Veterans Employment Committee is once again hosting a Job and Resource Fair for veterans, military, National Guard, reservists, and their dependents and survivors. This year's Fair will be held on April 21, 2015 at West Hills College in Lemoore and will run from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. The event is a rare opportunity to meet with employers who are ready to hire, and public and private agencies eager to help with training and other services. In one easy location, veterans will learn about the variety of options available to them, including career, training and education opportunities.

Whether you are a veteran seeking a new career or are looking for a first job since returning from the military, you are invited to attend. Bring copies of your resume. If you don't have one, there will be assistance available in putting one together. Veterans possess a wide variety of outstanding qualities including experience, maturity, leadership, and loyalty making them ideal candidates for job openings. Employers and resource providers can contact Luis Sandoval at (559) 585-3553 or by email at luis.sandoval@edd.ca.gov for more information. The fair is free and open to all.

The Kings County Veterans Service Office can complete the DMV Veteran Status Verification Form for the new California Veteran Designation on your driver's license. We can also issue Veteran I.D. cards to honorably discharged veterans. Contact Joe Wright if you would like to receive periodic veteran's information by email. There are many state and federal benefits and programs available to veterans and their dependents. To find out if you are eligible for any of these benefits, visit or call our office. We can and will assist you in completing all required application forms. You can get information on the Web from the Kings County Veterans Service Office webpage at www.countyofkings.com/vets.

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