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EDUCATION, TRAINING AND SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR MACOMB COUNTY VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES

A VETERAN/FAMILY MEMBERS WANTS EDUCATION **OR TRAINING GUIDANCE**

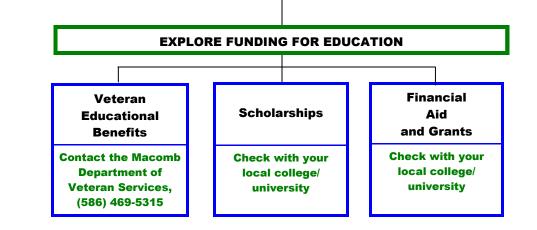
CONTACT A MICHIGAN WORKS! VETERAN COORDINATOR

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EXPLORE AND SELECT EDUCATIONAL AND/OR TRAINING OPTIONS:

(Michigan Works! can assist you.)

GED SKILLED TRADES **HIGHER EDUCATION**



EXPLORE FUNDING FOR TRAINING

Federal funding helps youth and those with significant barriers to employment

Contact Michigan Works! for information about the Workforce **Innovation and Opportunity Act** (WIOA) program.



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GUIDANCE THROUGH THE EMPLOYMENT PROCESS

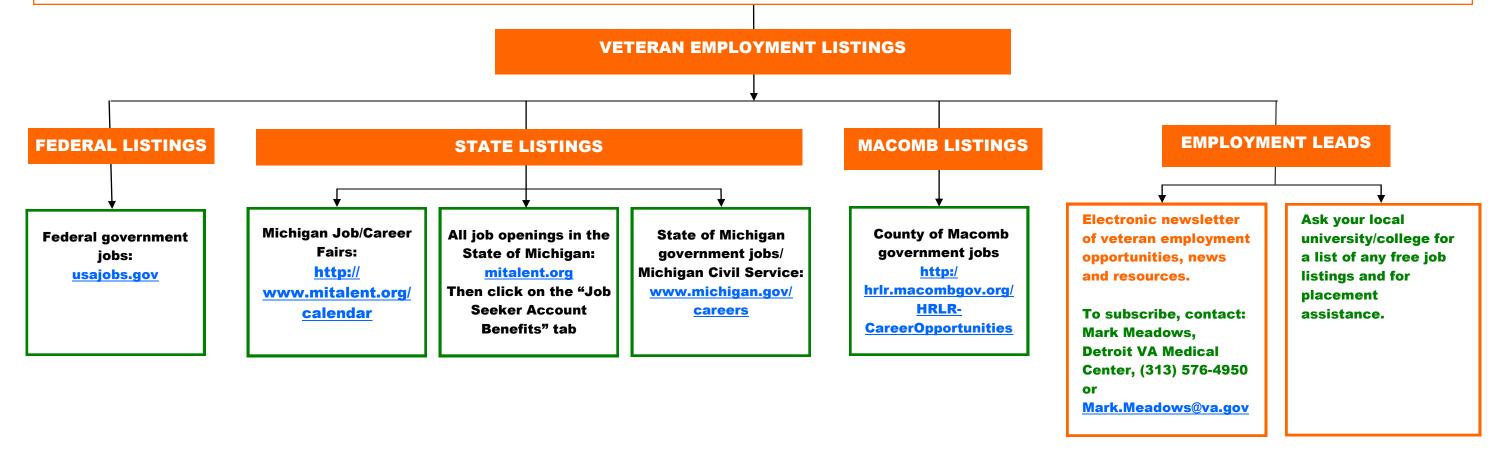
It is best to work with someone who can help with employment planning. To begin the employment process, contact the Veteran Coordinator at Michigan Works!:

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Michigan Works! offers specialized veteran services: a Veteran Employability Boot Camp and the Disabled Veterans Outreach Program (DVOP) offered by the State of Michigan.

DVOP specialists provide intensive services to meet the employment needs of disabled veterans and other eligible veterans, with the maximum emphasis directed toward serving those who are economically or educationally disadvantaged, including homeless veterans, and veterans with barriers to employment. Priority service for veterans.

When you have selected your career path and completed education and/or training, then proceed to finding employment at any of the following sites.



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SCHOLARSHIPS

SCHOLARSHIP MATCHING WEBSITE

Fastweb is an *free* online resource when it comes to paying for and preparing for school. They have information on scholarships for every type of student from the high school freshmen to the returning adult. When you register for Fastweb and complete an online profile, data is collected that is used to match the veteran/family member to scholarships in their database. By providing Fastweb with this information the veteran/family member can also rule out any scholarships that a person does not qualify for and match the person with ones that you do.

OTHER SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILY

FOR VETERANS

The <u>AMVET National Scholarship Program</u> is designed for those veterans who have exhausted the resources of the G.I. Bill. Applicants must have been honorably discharged, and must be attending an accredited college, university or technical school. The award is \$1000 per academic year, renewable for up to three years.

The <u>American Legion Scholarship</u> is available to all veteran members of the legion who are pursuing their undergraduate studies at an accredited college or university. Annual awards are \$1000, and eligibility is determined by financial need.

The Pat Tillman Foundation provides financial assistance to veterans and active duty military who wish to start, continue, or finish their college education. Award amounts vary, and eligibility is determined by merit as well as financial need. Applicants are required to maintain a 3.0 GPA, and must submit two essays for consideration.

The <u>Troops to Teachers Program</u> is administered by the U. S. Department of Defense, and provides financial support for veterans who choose to pursue a degree in teaching or education. Eligible applicants must agree to a term of service in a high need school or community in order to receive funding. Eligibility is determined by financial need, as well as academic merit.

FOR VETERANS AND WIDOWS AND DEPENDENTS AWARDED THE PURPLE HEART

The <u>Military Order of the Purple Heart Scholarship</u> is available to all veterans who have been awarded the Purple Heart. The program is also open to widows and dependents of those service members who have been awarded the Purple Heart posthumously. Award amounts vary, and are based on financial need.

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