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'Employ A Vet Week' Slated November 8-14

N.C. Employers Encouraged To Consider Veterans' Experience When Hiring

RALEIGH — Veterans of all eras and the unique skill sets they can offer employers across North Carolina are highlighted during “*Employ A Vet Week*,” which is November 8-14.

“Economically, our state benefits tremendously from the military,” said ESC Chairman Moses Carey Jr. “For this reason and others, we believe that we should take time to recognize the contributions made by our veteran workforce. These brave men and women have served with honor and leave the military with skills that are extremely vital to the state’s employers. Making the transition from the military to civilian job or career isn’t always easy. So the ESC tries to make that transition as smoothly as possible.

With six major military bases in the state, the armed forces pump millions of dollars into local economies. In addition, more than 20,000 veterans exit military service in North Carolina each year. For many, their first stop is a local Employment Security Commission office.

The ESC has a Veterans Employment Representative in each of its offices statewide whose main task is to provide job-seeking services specifically for veterans. As required by federal and state law, veterans have first priority in applying for publicly listed job openings.

The N.C. ESC has an outstanding record in finding jobs for veterans. This year, local office staff placed nearly 18,000 registered veterans into new jobs. Over 86,000 registered veterans received direct service from the ESC over the past year.

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