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Veterans Service Commission Teaming with Employers to Offer Veterans Career Training and Job Opportunities

June 'Job Boot Camp' Event and Career Fair to Offer Participants Career Coaching and Chance to Meet with Business Owners

Akron, Ohio – May 14 , 2018 – The Veterans Service Commission of Summit County (VSC) is giving local veterans access to crucial career training and an opportunity to put their newly acquired skills to use with a free “Job Boot Camp” employment workshop on Saturday, June 2, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., followed by a Veteran & Community Job & Career Fair on Wednesday, June 6, from 1-3 p.m. Both events, which the VSC will host at its Akron headquarters at 1060 E. Waterloo Road, are designed to give veterans an edge in their search for employment.

“Discipline, focus and a strong work ethic are the hallmarks of a great employee,” said David Burden, project manager, VSC. “Because of the values that military experience instills in them, veterans often make some of the best-qualified job candidates. Participating in our Job Boot Camp will help to put them in the best possible position for success as they explore career opportunities during the Veteran & Community Job & Career Fair and beyond.”

Open to all veterans seeking employment opportunities or considering a career change, the Job Boot Camp will bring together local professionals to offer veterans insight into employer needs and help them to refine their job searching skills. Areas of focus will include resume analysis, interview coaching, soft skills assessment, research strategies and dress-for-success tips. Spouses of attending veterans also are invited to participate.

Preregistration is encouraged for the Job Boot Camp and is available online at www.VSCsummitOH.us or by calling 330-643-7636. Attendees should come dressed ready to interview and bring a copy of their DD Form 214 and resumes to hand out to local employers, who will offer on-site advice and training. Public transportation is available through Akron Metro RTA bus No. 2, via the Arlington route. For a schedule, visit www.AkronMetro.org.

The Veteran & Community Job & Career Fair, free and open to all veterans and their dependents, will provide attendees with an opportunity to meet with representatives from local companies, as well as the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. During the event, participants will be coached on resume tips, job searching and interview skills.

Professionals from the VSC also will be on-hand to discuss education opportunities, online career development courses and other free resources available to them through the agency.

Summit County veterans and their families also can connect with the VSC at [Facebook.com/SummitCountyVSC](https://www.facebook.com/SummitCountyVSC) and [Twitter.com/VSCsummitOH](https://twitter.com/VSCsummitOH).

About the Veterans Service Commission of Summit County

Veterans Service Commission of Summit County (VSC) provides comprehensive support services to Summit County residents who have served in any branch of the military. Veterans and their families who demonstrate need receive free financial, transportation and medical assistance as well as coordination and processing help with Veterans Administration (VA) claims and benefits. The agency was created in 1886 to aid veterans upon their return home from duty. Further information is available at www.VSCsummitOH.us.

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