



Resources for Veterans and Military Families Members 17 February 2021

Important Dates and Events

- [Voices of Vets Valentine's Day Concert](#)
- All Howard County residents who want to register for vaccination are encouraged to [complete this survey](#) and provide contact information to the Howard County Health Department.
For more information on Howard County's vaccination distribution plan, eligibility requirements, and questions about the virus or vaccine, please [visit this website](#) or call the Howard County Health Department at 410-313-6300. If you require accommodations or assistance, please call the Howard County Health Department at 410-313-6300
- **Every Monday – Veterans Connection Support Group, 6pm** - For more info, Shambry Ratliff, sratliff.namihc@gmail.com
- **Two Fridays a Month – Veteran Legal Support.** Meet with an attorney to discuss discharge upgrade matters, family law, consumer law, landlord/tenant law, employment law, benefits claims & more. www.vetsprobono.org. To make an appointment, call (202) 733-3317. Serving DC, MD & VA residents. Speak virtually with an attorney for free.
- **Every Wednesday, 6:30PM EST [Mindful Warrior Yoga \(FREE for Veterans & Service Members\)](#)** sponsored by The VA Way thru The Om Collective. NEW CLASS Mindful Warrior Yoga w Hamilton Arjuna Garces, A Marine Veteran with 3 tours.
Mindful movement & deep relaxation. All levels welcome.
Reduce anxiety, stress & depression
Improve sleep
Boost mood

Improve balance & flexibility

Gain strength & resilience

Calm your mind

Hamilton Arjuna Garces is a New Jersey native and Marine Veteran with 3 tours, including Afghanistan.

After 4 years of service, Hamilton lived with PTSD after combat. Seeking the mental and physical benefits of yoga, he took teacher training at Integral Yoga Institute in Fairlawn, New Jersey in 2017.

Hamilton is certified for more than 200 hours of asana and pranayama by Rev Premajothi Devi and Rev Jagadesh. Hamilton also took intensive training at Yogaville in Buckingham, Virginia where he was mentored By Garuda Buss, an Army helicopter pilot veteran whom was Swami Satchidananda's personal pilot and good friend. Garuda is a Yogi with over 50 years of experience teaching through the Arts of Integral Yoga and teacher training world wide.

Hamilton is also a healing arts practitioner utilizing the Native American Flute, crystal singing bowls, didgeridoo and more to create sound baths with frequencies and vibrations while using crystals to help balance the body, mind & spirit.

FREE Link to join: <https://app.namastream.com/...> **Bottom of Form**

· **February thru June – [Howard County Library Veteran Book Club](#)**. Veterans, both active and retired military, are invited to this online discussion series. During five monthly facilitated sessions, discussions center on military experiences and a unique set of readings, which may include classics, fiction, memoirs, poetry, short stories, articles, and essays. The readings relate in some way to military experiences or offer a veteran's perspective. 1st Tuesdays February 2 - June 1 from 7 - 8:30 pm
Special Guest: Author Sergeant Carmelo Rodriguez will join the Veterans Book Group as they discuss his book on March 2.
Participants are encouraged to attend all sessions. Registration is open to Veterans/ active duty only, please. All reading materials are provided. Space is limited.

Veterans Book Group is coordinated statewide by Maryland Humanities

To register and for more information: <https://live-howardcounty.pantheonsite.io/events/veterans-book-group-2021-online>

· **February - Free Financial Literacy Webinars**

❖ Introduction to Homeownership

Thu 2/18 @ 7:00 PM – <https://ccsmd2-18introtoho.eventbrite.com>

Participants are introduced to the decision to buy or not buy; financial readiness; the importance of the credit report and score; introduction to loan options and lender guidelines; available resources. Duration: 1 hour

❖ Introduction to Renting

Thu 2/18 @ 1:00 PM – <https://cccsmd2-18introtore.eventbrite.com>

Participants learn about the process of renting and how to best prepare to become a renter, the importance of credit, effective communication tips to use with landlords and what your rights are under Fair Housing laws. Duration: 1 hour

❖ Credit and Credit Reporting

Wed 2/24 @ 7:00 PM – <https://cccsmd2-24credit.eventbrite.com>

Participants are introduced to the importance of the credit report and how to understand and read the credit report; how a healthy credit report is important in finding and maintaining affordable housing. Duration: 1 hour

❖ Making Cents of Your Money - Budgeting

Thu 2/25 @ 7:00 PM – <https://cccsmd2-25budget.eventbrite.com>

Participants learn the importance of tracking expenses; making spending adjustments; the difference between needs and wants; recognizing that a sound budget is important to overall financial wellbeing. Duration: 1 hour

❖ Managing Finances in Uncertain Times New Webinar!

Tue 2/23 @ 7:00 PM – <https://cccsmd2-23managingfinances.eventbrite.com>

Wed 2/24 @ 1:00 PM – <https://cccsmd2-24managingfinances.eventbrite.com>

Participants learn how to handle their finances in unstable times, the importance of counseling, the impacts of financial hardships, crisis budgeting, relevant stats, debt relief options and more. Duration: 1 hour

❖ Scams & Identity Theft

Thu 2/11 @ 7:00 PM – <https://cccsmd2-11scams.eventbrite.com>

Mon 2/15 @ 1:00 PM – <https://cccsmd2-15scams.eventbrite.com>

Participants learn to become more aware of current scams, how to protect against identity theft, how a victim can recover and how scams impact financial and housing stability. Duration: 1 hour

· **February 17 - Howard County Behavioral Health Summit Series in Partnership with Aetna Session 4 Behavioral Trends in Youth**

· **February 17 - Team River Runner Virtual Training, 7:30pm (Feb 24, Mar 3 and more)**

· **February 18 – Hospitality and Temp Job Hiring Fair, 10am-11:30am**

· **February 18 – Military Spouses! A Course For Change: Empowerment Through Transition. Our intent is to provide resources and information for active duty military spouses who are looking to (re)enter the workforce and/or further their education.**

· **Commitment Health and Wellness -18 February at 6 pm EST (Zoom)**

· **Action - 20 May at 6 pm EST (Zoom)**

- New Opportunities - 19 August 6 pm EST (Zoom)
- Growth Employment/Education - 18 November at 6 pm EST
- USO Warrior and Family Center, Fort Belvoir, VA

[Hiring Our Heroes Military Spouses in the Workplace Survey Results](#)

- **February 19 at 12pm thru Feb 26 at 5pm – [Active Transportation Open House](#)**
- **February 23 - [Solving the Cyber Workforce Shortage Forum](#), 10am-11:15am. Free registration. Addressing top challenges in recruiting in CS and IT. Free**
- **February 23 - [Eastern Region Virtual Career Fair for Veterans](#), 11am-3pm.**
- **February 23 – Active Transportation Open House.** Staff will be available to chat and answer questions at our "office hours":
 - Tuesday, February 23, 1pm-2pm
 - Wednesday, February 24, 6pm-7pm
 - Thursday, February 25, 6pm-7pm
 - Friday, February 26, 11am-noon
- **February 24 – [UMUCH Hospital Wide Hiring Fair, 11am-1pm](#)**
- **February 24 – [Tech Expo/Accenture](#), 12-4pm**
- **February 26 – [Armed Services Arts Partnership comedy and storytelling performance in honor of Black History Month](#), 8pm**
- **March 1 - NAMI Connections Virtual Veteran Support Group**, 5:30-7pm. Questions or more information, please call 410 772 9300, or email Shambry Ratliff, sratliff.namihc@gmail.com for link.

Joining a Veteran Peer Support Group can help you to feel better in any number of ways, such as:

- Knowing that others are going through something similar
- Learning tips on how to handle day-to-day challenges
- Meeting new friends or connecting to others who understand you
- Learning how to talk about things that bother you or how to ask for help

- **March 4 – Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families** monthly meeting, 7pm. Open to the public. Email veterans@howardcountymd.gov for Webex link.

- **March 10** – [Project Opportunity Veteran Entrepreneurship Program](#). Info session Jan 17

- **March 17** - **Howard County Behavioral Health Summit Series in Partnership with Aetna Session 5** [Growing](#) Your Wellness Toolbox

- **March 29** – **National Vietnam Veterans Day – Eat Free at Mission BBQ**

- **Now - Warrior Canine Connection is in search of Veterans, spouses and family members** who are looking for an opportunity to give back. Come help WCC train service dogs that will later be placed with a Veteran who has a disability. Guided by the presence of professional service dog instructors, participants are given the responsibility of exposing our purpose-bred dogs to environments where sights, sounds, and varieties of people will challenge the service dog in training to stay on task.

This volunteer program is unique in that you are directly engaged in the service dog training process. Participants are given the opportunity to practice their own compassion, patience, frustration tolerance, accountability, consistency, social interactions, and team work. Enrollment in the program is voluntary, and commitment will depend on the participant's interest and availability. A Participant's time spent training a dog may only involve a portion of the dog's entire training process, however, it will add to the dog's overall repertoire of skills that are essential for the dog to be placed with a Veteran who has a disability. Please understand that the program does NOT provide participants with their own service dog, but instead allows participants to train a dog for another Veteran in need.

Please reach out to WCC's Veteran Training Program Manager for sign-up and any further questions. Emily McNeal emcneal@warriorcanineconnection.org 270-704-6412

- **Every Tuesday – Men's Roundtable**, 10am-12pm. Join other men for civil discussions on politics, government, finance, health and other topics of interest to seniors. Occasional guest speakers. To register or for more information, khull@howardcountymd.gov or 410-313-7466. howardcounty.gov/aging

- **Every Thursday – Fort Meade Facebook Town Hall**, 5:30pm. Education Town Hall

- **Last Thursday of the month – Veteran Career Club**, 11am-12pm. Email anthony.butlersr@maryland.gov for more information

- **Every Thursday - [Meditate with Delphi](#)** every Thursday, 8:30am. Free.
Password: meditate
- **Every Day – [Veterans Yoga Project Livestreaming classes](#)**
- **1st & 3rd Thursday of the Month - Cohen Clinic Virtual Offerings, 11:30am - 12:30pm EST Registration Required: <http://bit.ly/CohenOfficeHours>**
Participants will receive an email with Zoom instructions after registering through Eventbrite. We encourage you to connect with us during Cohen Clinic Office Hours to learn more about our clinic services including outreach and case management. This is an opportunity for the entire community, potential and existing clients, and community partners to meet with us, and discuss: Information about our specific programs and services and sharing your ideas with us and letting us know how we can help you or your organization.

- **The [Saratoga War Horse](#)** equine assist program takes place during 3-day classes, offered several times each month. The average class size is 5 participants. The program is available to veterans and active duty service members from all branches of the military, regardless of when or for how long they served. The focus of this program is on helping participants get past the physiological symptoms of their Post-Traumatic Stress, or other trauma related issues. Saratoga WarHorse doesn't provide traditional "therapy," but does offer an undoubtedly therapeutic experience. There is NO cost for veterans or active duty service members to attend the Saratoga WarHorse program. We pay 100% of lodging, meal, and program expenses.

We have several classes scheduled this calendar year at the Baltimore County Agricultural Center, 1114 Shawan Rd. Cockeysville, MD 21030.

March – 5,6,7 / 16,17,18 / 26,27,28

April – 6,7,8 / 23,24,25

May – 4,5,6 / 14,15,16 / 21,22,23

June – 8,9,10 / 18,19,20 / 25,26,27

July – 6,7,8 / 16,17,18 / 23,24,25

August – 3,4,5 / 13,14,15 / 27,28,29

September – 7,8,9 / 17,18,19 / 24,25,26

October – 5,6,7 / 15,16,17 / 22,23,24

November – 2,3,4 / 12,13,14 / 19,20,21

December – (Nov 30),1,2 / 10,11,12

Those interested in finding out more about the program or attending a class may contact our Outreach Manger, Jason Marshall jason@saratogawarhorse.org 518-531-3219 to register.

NAMI Howard County Virtual Support

NAMI Peer-to-Peer Education Class, a 8-session course for adults living with mental health challenges. NAMI Peer-to-Peer provides an educational setting focused on recovery that offers respect, understanding, encouragement and hope. This online (ZOOM) program starting **Wednesday, March 3rd through April**

21st, from 6:30pm-8:30pm. Please email Shambry Ratliff at sratliff.namihc@gmail.com to register!

Family to Family Education Class, a 8-session educational program for family, significant others and friends of people with mental health condition. This class is Virtual (Zoom) from **7-9:30 pm starting Tuesday, March 9th through April 27th**. Please email Michele Keumeni at mkeumeni.namihc@gmail.com to register!

NAMI Basics is a free, 6-session program available on Demand that is designed for parents/caregivers of children and adolescents with emotional and behavioral difficulties prior to age 18. NAMI Basics helps parents and caregivers understand the illnesses that are causing the behavioral difficulties, and the critical role families play in the treatment of those illnesses. REGISTER for Basics on Demand <https://www.nami.org/Videos/NAMI-Basics-OnDemand>

Support Groups

Thursday, February 18th from 7:30-9pm (Third Thursday of the Month)
NAMI Parent Support Group -Transition Age Youth for parents/caregivers of Transition Age Youth (TAY) [Register here](#)

Friday, February 19th from 7:30-9pm (Third Friday of the Month)
NAMI Family Support Group for family members of individuals w/ mental illness. [Register here](#)

Monday, February 22nd & March 8th from 6:30-8pm (Second & Fourth Mondays of the Month)
NAMI Connection Support Group for adults living with mental illness. [Register here](#)

Advocacy Day- Each year NAMI affiliates in Maryland join our state affiliate for a day in Annapolis to advocate for better services for individuals and families affected by mental illness.

This year, Advocacy Day will be virtual and take place on this **Thursday, February 18th**. **Register for Advocacy Day here: <https://namimdadvocate.eventbrite.com>**

NAMI Howard County's "Comfort During COVID" Raffle Fundraiser

- <https://go.rallyup.com/namihowardcounty>

14 "mega prizes" each valued at \$400+ and designed to provide comfort during these challenging times — **including a \$500 cash prize** (because who doesn't find comfort in CASH!?). Buy Tickets: now till February 25, 2021. Each \$35 ticket gives you 3 entries to win any of the prizes. On Friday, February 26, 2021 from 7pm, raffle winners will be drawn during a livestream event. *Winners do not need to be present at the event to claim prize(s).*

NAMI Walks Your Way Maryland Virtual Fundraiser – now thru May

Resources

[Situation Update - VA Maryland Health Care System](#)

COVID-19 UPDATES

We are currently in Phase 2 of our Moving Forward Plan. All VA Maryland Health Care System sites are open and scheduling virtual care appointments and limited face-to-face clinic appointments.

For the safety of our patients, we encourage the continued use of virtual care options (telehealth and video appointments) for specialty care, primary care and mental health services.

If you will be visiting a VA Maryland Health Care System facility for a scheduled clinic appointment or emergency or urgent care visit, you will find safety measures we have put in place to help reduce the risk of spreading the coronavirus. We encourage you to review the information linked below to prepare for your visit.

[More details on COVID-19 and our Moving Forward Plan](#)

[VA Maryland Health Care System COVID-19 Information for Patients](#)

Free Flu Shots for Veterans - With the coronavirus still spreading, getting a flu shot this year is more important than ever to help prevent being infected by both viruses.

For Veterans who still need to get a flu shot, we recommend visiting a community pharmacy that is a part of the VA network. This includes the following: CVS, Costco, Kroger, Safeway, Walmart and Wegmans. (Walgreens is NOT participating this year.)

To be eligible for this benefit, you must have received care from the VA in the past 24 months. No appointments or referrals are required to get a free flu shot at a community pharmacy that is part of the VA network, but please call the pharmacy before visiting to ensure they are participating. Please inform the pharmacy that you are a Veteran and show them your VA Veterans Health Identification Card. You can also share with the pharmacy the appropriate flu shot billing information available on the page linked below.

Veterans can also get free flu shots at other in-network community pharmacies and urgent care providers, at most scheduled VA clinic appointments, or at one of our drive-thru flu shot clinics. For more details, click the link below.

[More details on how Veterans can receive a free flu shot](#)

- [Fire Arm Safety in Times of Community Stress \(Suicide Prevention\)](#)
- **Warrior Canine Connection Research Study** - Are you a Military Veteran with PTSD? Are you interested in training a service dog for a fellow Veteran? Study takes place in Boyds, Maryland For more information contact Deb Taberdtaber@umaryland.edu 410-706-4233 or 410-706-0659. Participants will be compensated for their time.

· [Alcohol Addiction Support](#)

EveryMind Hotline specialists are available by phone, text, and chat and operate your local National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. The community can also look to EveryMind's dedicated staff of mental health professionals for counseling services.

· **ServingTogether Veteran Peer Navigator: 1.855.738.7176**

24/7 Hotline Call or Text: 301.738.2255.

Chat: www.every-mind.org/chat/

<https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/chat/>

· **[Military/Veteran Crisis line: 800-273-8255](tel:8002738255)**

· **[V-START - Institute for Veterans and Military Families \(syracuse.edu\)](http://syracuse.edu)** - Veterans Strategic Analysis & Research Tool

· **[Headspace Meditation and Mindfulness app](#)** – free to Blue Star Families

· **[Gilchrist Hospice Services](#)**

· **[Homeownership Services](#)**

· **[How to Access the VA Podcast Network](#)**

· **[S.785 - Commander John Scott Hannon Veterans Mental Health Care Improvement Act of 2019](#)**

· **[The Surgeon General's Call to Action TO IMPLEMENT THE NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION](#)**

Columbia Mall Stores with Military/Veteran Discounts – Ask first in the event there are changes

Store Name

Military/Vets

Aerie/American Eagle

10% off

Aeropostale

10% off

AMC Theatres

Only after 4pm \$10.74 movie tickets- must show ID

Apple

See store for details.

Artisan's Fine Jewelry

5% off

As Seen On TV

15% off

AT&T

25% off unlimited and more service plans \$15 for life off of DirecTV service

Athleta

10% off the sale
Banana Republic
15% off
Bibibop
10% off must show military ID
Box Lunch
10% off
Build-A-Bear Workshop
10% off
Capitol Luggage & Leather
10% off
Cellairis
Different types of discounts (not a set rate)
Champs Sports
20% off must be verified w/sheer ID and military ID present
Charley's Grilled Subs
10% off, excludes specials
The Children's Place
10% off
Cigare
No tax
CJ Watch & Jewelry
10% off
Claire's
20% off with ID
Color Hairmasters
10% off
Cyberion
20% off on accessories, 10% off any electronic repairs
Disney Store
10% off, must show military ID
Express
15% off, must show military ID
Fabletics
15% off
Finish Line
20% off for active duty
Footaction
20% off with ID
Francesca's
10% off
Grilled Cheese & Co.
10% off
H&M
15% off ONLY for 4th of July season
Hallmark
10% off
Healthy Island Smoothie
\$.50 off any size drink
Helzberg Diamonds
10% off, must show military ID
Hollister Co.

10% off
Hot Topic
10% off, must show military ID
House of Hoops
20% off
Icing Ice
20% off
Jamba Juice
10% off
Journeys
10% off
Kay Jewelers
10% off only on full-priced items
Kids Foot Locker
20% off
Lolli & Pops
10% off
Lovesac
5% off
lululemon athletica
15% off
Maggiano's Little Italy
25% off
Monica Jewelry
10% off excludes sale items
Natural Relaxation Center
10% off
Noodles & Company
15% off
PacSun
10% off
Panda Express
10% off
Pandora
Only on special occasions- Veterans Day, Memorial & July 4th
Pearle Vision
15% off Call 6/27 for more details from Rick (manager)
Piercing Pagoda
10% off- must show ID
Seasons 52
10% off
The Silver Heron
10% off for Active members with validating identification. (Not valid of sale items)
Skechers
10% off
Sleep Number
Discount varies - given twice per year for Military Appreciation months of May & Nov.
Spencer's
10% off- must show ID
Starbucks
Free brewed coffee & tea for people in uniform
sunglass hut

15% off
Sunglass Hut #5088
15% off military discount
T-Mobile
50% off military family plans, service, constant accessory deals
Torrid
10% off
Uncle Julio's
25% off
Vans
10% off must have proper ID
Vera Bradley
10% off entire purchase
The Walking Company
15% off- must show ID
Walrus Oyster & Ale House
10% off
William Sonoma
15% off and 10% off on electric
Wockenfuss Candies
10% off must show military ID
Yankee Candle
10% off
Zales Jewelers
See store for details.

Newsletters, Articles and other Information

- [VA news](#) – Feb 12 (Lots of great information)
- [Maryland Dept of Veteran Affairs Newsletter](#) – Feb
- [Parent Pages Newsletter - Feb](#)
- [Maryland Department of Aging Medical Reuse Program](#) DME.MDOA@maryland.gov or call 240-230-8000
- State-wide [Loan Closet Directory](#) of organizations providing services in other counties
- [Maryland Assistive Technology Reuse Group Facebook page](#) provides an opportunity to list items you are looking to sell, give away or receive.
- [Those Who Served: America's Veterans From World War II to the War on Terror \(census.gov\)](#) - It was published June 2020 based on the 2018 American Community Survey.

- **Filing VA Travel Claims**
- [Local Health Improvement Coalition Resources and Classes](#)
- [Howard County 50+ Connection](#)
- [VFW Newsletter](#)
- [Caregiver Support during COVID-19](#)
- [50+ Connection](#) – news and resources for our 50+ residents
- [Military Veteran Caregiver Network](#)
- **Courses for Veterans and Military Caregivers and Families**
- [Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers \(PCAFC\) has expanded](#)
- [The Therapeutic and Riding Center](#) is now participating in the PATH International Wounded Warrior Scholarship Program. Veterans are able to participate in 1 hour equine-assisted activities and therapy at no charge. Additionally, they can participate in group sessions with other veterans or their families.

Employment Opportunities [Health Navigator](#)

Midday monitors are needed for Anne Arundel County Public Schools. To learn more, visit <https://www.ftmeadealliance.org/2021/02/midday-monitors-needed/>.

Lee Andersen Designs: Hiring 'Seamsters' to Sew Masks

Lee Andersen, a Howard County resident who is nationally known for her art clothing designs and owner of a 10,000 sq ft manufacturing facility in Columbia and boutique at Historic Savage Mill has converted her operation to producing comfortable face masks. Lee is looking for people to join her team to make masks. 'Seamsters' can work from home. Individuals and their talented friends can be part of this life-saving endeavor while earning money.

For more information visit <https://www.leesteam.com/>

or contact Michelle Shannon, 412-889-0811.

The Howard County Office of Workforce Development

Helps connect residents to employers and jobs available in Howard County.

<http://mid-marylandwib.org/howardworkforce/>

State Emergency Operations Center - If you or someone you know may be able to dedicate the next 30 days both in person or virtually, please contact: psector@maryland.gov and use Subject Title: Staffing Availability for BOC. BOC thanks you in advance for any responses or assistance in this matter, <https://mema.maryland.gov/Pages/business.aspx>

Amazon - Amazon has ramped up hiring to support people relying on Amazon's services in this stressful time. Learn more here, <https://www.amazondelivers.jobs/covid-19-updates/>

GrubHub, Doordash and the like are all hiring:

[Doordash](#)

[GrubHub](#)

[UberEats](#)

**Local farms and local grocers are also hiring - Visit area grocery store websites for job postings Inquire about area farms at, <http://www.hceda.org/contact/> **

McAllister and Company Insurance

Marriottsville (Waverly Woods)

Customer Service Rep

Commercial Lines Producer

Full and part time

A fast growing, dynamic insurance agency in the Waverly community in Ellicott City is looking for a full or part-time individual to work in our office as a customer service representative and/or commercial lines producer. Experience in a similar environment is preferred, and being a licensed agent in Maryland is a plus. We will work with new hire to obtain required licenses.

Flexible hours and a friendly, low-pressure work environment are available! Email resume to james@macins.com

Podiatrist Baltimore, MD Consultant

Lead Logistics Specialist

Assistant Store Manager

Hospice Case Manager | Registered Nurse

Property Management Specialist

Laboratory Technician

Antenna Engineer, Senior

Proposal and Marketing Coordinator

Mobile Associate - Retail Sales

Mobile Associate - Retail Sales

Shipping/Receiving Associate

Mechanic - Fleet (NO CDL required) Wrk Wk: Tues- Sat - PepsiCo

Corp - Columbia, MD (\$27.50-32/hr)

Configuration Manager - RBR-Technologies - Fort George G Meade, MD

Ripple Effect - Ripple Effect is hiring! [Ripple Effect](#) is a professional consulting firm specializing in federal contracts in the areas of Communications & Outreach, Research & Evaluation, and Project Management & Policy. Many of our client-site locations partner with military communities, such as Travis Air Force Base in Fairfield California, Ft. Detrick in Frederick, MD, Naval Medical Research Center in Silver Spring, MD, and more. Our flexible work environment caters directly to the needs of veterans, military spouses, and the general military family community. We currently have a few open positions, including a Data Manager, Policy Analyst, and a few Communications and Writing Specialist roles. Please check out our Careers website at <https://apply.workable.com/the-ripple-way/> and apply to the role that best fits you. We would love for you to join as a valued member of our team!

Howard Community College Introduces Electrical Apprenticeship

If you or someone you know is seeking employment, the first step is to register for assistance with the Maryland Workforce Exchange (MWE) mwejobs.maryland.gov.

The Maryland Workforce Exchange has staff specifically dedicated to serve veterans with priority of service. Currently, MWE is conducting business virtually and can assist veterans with their resumes as well as connecting them with employers via virtual job fairs.

Besides helping veterans craft a resume, there are programs to increase a veteran's opportunity to get an interview including the Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) that offers employers an incentive to hire veterans. Additionally, veterans may be eligible for on-the-job-training through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. Further, service-connected disabled veterans may also be eligible for paid training through the US Department of Veterans Affairs, Veteran Readiness and Employment under Chapter 31. The MWE has trained staff near you that can assist you in finding the right career.

Also, there are nonprofit organizations who will also assist you in finding a career including the [Veterans Staffing Network \(VSN\)](#) which is part of Easter Seals. VSN also has career coaches that will assist you with your resume as well as introduce you to employers who are looking to hire on a temporary basis with a possibility of permanent employment.

SANS Institute Cyber Workforce Academy. Our students have the opportunity to complete two SANS training courses and their corresponding GIAC certifications in preparation to enter the cybersecurity workforce in the state of Maryland. The cost of the training and certifications is 100% tuition free to the students and provided in part by the EARN Maryland grant and the SANS Institute.

Please visit this link for an overview of the Academy:

<https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/the-sans-institute-receives-earn-maryland-grant-renewal-continues-to-grow-states-cybersecurity-talent-pipeline-300886554.html>

Please visit this link to hear what one of our graduates has to say:

<https://wamu.org/story/19/07/02/to-combat-a-talent-shortage-cybersecurity-companies-look-for-diverse-candidates/>

Waste Management - We are in need of filling positions for CDL Drivers in Gaithersburg, MD. Up to \$7000 in Sign on bonuses are being offered for these positions. If you would be so kind as to share the attached flyer within your networks and wherever else you see fit, as well as reply to this email to confirm receipt, it would be greatly appreciated.

Waste Management offers exceptional, unmatched benefits, sign-on bonuses, and career advancement opportunities.

We have found that veterans are a great fit in our organization – in fact, one in twelve of our employees are former military. We encourage any and all qualified veteran's to apply online, <https://careers.wm.com/>

Remote Jobs for Military-connected and Veterans - Serving Together Peer Navigators want to connect you with those vetted employers who understand your and your clients' challenges and who value the unique skill set, experience, and resiliency our population brings to the work environment. If you are a Veteran, Guard, Reserve, Transitioning Active Duty, Spouse, or Caregiver, contact our Peer Navigators at 301-738-7176, M-F 9am-4:30pm or you can fill out a Get Assistance Form

at www.servingtogetherproject.org<https://www.bing.com/search?q=amazon.com%2Fnortheastmdjobs&src=IE-SearchBox&FORM=IESR4A>

Veteran Employment Resource Center | <https://rmvets.com/2020vetresources>

- Resume-writing tutorials & guidelines specific for military members and veterans
- How-to / Instructional videos
- Interviewing techniques and best practices guidance

Military Spouse Resource Center | <https://rmvets.com/2020spouserresources>

- Resume-writing tutorials & guidelines specific for military spouses
- How-to / Instructional videos
- Interviewing techniques & guidance

Search & Employ Magazine | <https://rmvets.com/2020searchandemploy>

- Digital bi-monthly military and military spouse employment focused publication

Community College of Baltimore County (CCBC) free Offerings:

100% Funding Available through Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER)

For Select Programs:

Administrative Professional

Certified Apartment Maintenance Technician

Child Care Professional

Forklift Operator

Home Inspector Pre-License

HVAC/Refrigeration Technician

Pharmacy Technician
Real Estate Salesperson

Eligibility:

United States Citizen

Employment Affected by COVID-19

Maryland Residency

Limited spaces available! For eligibility and registration information, call 443-840-4700 or chat at ccbcmd.edu/coned

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