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Job Fair dedicated to our Veterans, Service Members and their Families

~Paychecks for Patriots Connects Florida Veterans with Career Opportunities~

(VIDEO HANDOUT) This link is from the Hillsborough County Job Fair in November, 2019 videotaped from CareerSource Tampa Bay. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mqpkidCA4rg>

TAMPA, FL – If you are a Veteran looking for a job CareerSource Tampa Bay is catering to our Veterans and their family members with a special job event on Thursday, November 7, 2019.

The event is called **Paychecks for Patriots**, a special hiring fair dedicated to connecting quality employers with our local Veterans, Military Service Members and their families. The event will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at CareerSource Tampa Bay, located at 9215 North Florida Avenue Suite 101, Tampa, FL 33612.

A total of 35 employers and 3 vendors have signed up to participate in the job fair. Nearly 90 Veterans have pre-registered for the event. For a complete listing of employers who are expected to attend the event and for more information on how to participate click on this link: <https://www.careersourcetampabay.com/event/paychecks-for-patriots-hiring-event/>

“We are excited to be a part of this statewide event,” said Maria Suarez with CareerSource Tampa Bay. “We want to get the word out to Veterans and the Military community about this special hiring event that will take place.”

The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, the Florida National Guard and the Florida Department of Veterans’ Affairs have partnered with CareerSource Florida regions to connect members of Florida’s military and veteran community with career opportunities through the Paychecks for Patriots hiring event.

This statewide hiring job fair addresses the employment needs of veterans by bridging the gap between Florida veteran job seekers and Florida’s job creators. CareerSource Tampa Bay is excited to serve those who have served our country. Through Paychecks for Patriots, companies will be connected with talented, well-trained veterans to join their teams.

In the past six years, more than 5,700 of veteran candidates and military family members who participated across the state have gained employment during the Paychecks for Patriot events.

About CareerSource Tampa Bay

CareerSource Tampa Bay programs and initiatives are fully supported by the U.S. Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Agriculture as part of awards totaling \$19,293,411.

CareerSource Tampa Bay works with businesses and candidates to leverage their training, retraining, and competitive opportunities in the workforce. Career Source Tampa Bay provided 240,269 services to 36,960 active Wagner-Peyser individuals during program year 2018-2019. CareerSource Tampa Bay, with our five career centers is the single largest source of job candidates in the region from entry-level to executive-level candidates.

Businesses can access Career Source's wide range of services that include recruiting, training for new and existing employees, targeted hiring events, and retention support strategies. All resources and services are provided at no cost to both businesses and job candidates. Programs funded through CareerSource Tampa Bay are equal opportunity programs with auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Persons using TTY/TTD equipment use Florida Relay Service 711. A proud partner of the American Job Center network to learn more, visit www.careersourcetampabay.com.

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