Military Community and Family Policy Fact Sheet

Military Spouse Employment Partnership 80,000 Hires Announcement

Background

When the Military Spouse Employment Partnership launched in 2011, First Lady Michelle Obama and Dr. Jill Biden challenged employers to hire 50,000 military spouses by 2015. The program easily surpassed that goal and, to date, partner employers have hired more than 80,000 military spouses. Now, with more than 295 partner companies and organizations, that number is sure to grow.

The partnership, part of a broader Spouse Education and Career Opportunities program, is a targeted recruitment and employment solution that addresses the employment challenges facing military spouses. It provides partner employers with access to a pool of qualified, tech-savvy, mobile and highly educated military spouses who are skilled, diverse and motivated, and possess a strong work ethic.

Highlights

- Many of America's employers know that hiring military spouses is good business, but we can continue to educate employers.
- The Military Spouse Employment Partnership expands career opportunities for military spouses worldwide. The partnership:
  - Provides spouses access to job opportunities through the online Military Spouse Employment Partnership Career Portal
  - Connects spouses to rewarding careers despite frequent relocation
  - Assists spouses with finding employment, building on their education and experience and helping them to achieve career and personal goals
  - Makes a difference in the quality of life of service members and their families

Data

- *More than 4 million employer jobs have been posted on the Military Spouse Employment Partnership Career Portal since June 29, 2011.*
- *Military OneSource certified Career Counselors conducted more than 169,000 career counseling sessions in fiscal 2014.*

Additional information

Military Spouse Employment Partnership Career Portal
https://msepjobs.militaryonesource.mil

Spouse Education and Career Opportunities
http://www.militaryonesource.mil/seco

Joining Forces
http://www.whitehouse.gov/joiningforces