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SOUTH FLORIDA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD PARTICIPATES IN EMPLOY FLORIDA VETS

~ Site helps servicemen and women match military skills with employment, training opportunities ~

(MIAMI, September 10, 2010) — In a joint venture with the state's 24 Regional Workforce Boards, South Florida Workforce Investment Board (SFWIB) participates in the development of Employ Florida Vets, an online portal to provide employment services to Florida veterans.

The [Employ Florida Vets](#) portal is a new initiative developed to assist Florida's more than 1.6 million military veterans by increasing awareness of job opportunities and employment services. This timely initiative comes as 2,500 of our Florida National Guard members return from overseas deployments within the next six months.

Through the Veterans' Employment Services, SFWIB provides current and past military personnel with training and placement services, access to on-line job banks and databases and preparation of resumes. "We eagerly support our courageous veterans by providing the necessary tools to assist them in transitioning into the civilian workforce" said, Rick Beasley, executive director of the South Florida Workforce Investment Board.

The portal highlights include:

- A unique jobs search functions to help veterans find civilian jobs that match the skills they learned in the military.
- Information and advice about writing resumes and finding apprenticeships and jobs ideally suited to their military experience.
- Information about the Florida law that gives veterans hiring preference when they apply for public-sector jobs.
- Information for Florida businesses and organizations about tax incentives available for hiring veterans.
- A centralized jobs posting site for employers seeking veterans with specialized skills.
- Employers are able to enter open positions directly on www.EmployFlorida.com or through their local One-Stop Career Center.

Learn more about Employ Florida Vets by contacting South Florida Workforce at 305.594.7615 or by visiting www.southfloridaworkforce.com.

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