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Veteran Small Business Operators Can Get Free Training

COLUMBUS – The U.S. Small Business Administration and partners are hosting a series of free training events in northern Ohio the week of March 26 – March 30.

The training is open to all veterans, current or recently discharged military, National Guard and Reserve members and family. Sponsored jointly by the U.S. Small Business Administration, local Procurement Technical Assistance Centers, Small Business Development Centers and other local small business assistance resources, the training offers entrepreneurial education and training on resources available for veterans who want to start or expand a small business.

The schedule and contact information is below; pre-registration is strongly recommended:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Host/Location</u>	<u>Reservation Contact</u>
Monday, March 26 th	6:00pm – 7:30	Austintown Public Library (Youngstown Area) 600 South Raccoon Rd.	330-744-8636
Tuesday, March 27 th	7:30am – 12:00	NEO PTAC/Lakeland Community College Holden University Center Kirtland, OH	440-525-7733
Wednesday, March 28 th	8:00am – 12:00	Ohio Small Business Development Center at Kent State University at Tuscarawas New Philadelphia, OH	330-308-7522
Thursday, March 29 th	8:00am – 12:00	Huron County Chamber of Commerce (Host) Location: Elks Lodge, 2949 US Rt. 250 South Norwalk, OH	419-668-4155
Friday, March 30	8:00am – 11:45	Ohio Procurement Technical Assistance Center Owens College, Arrowhead Learning Center 1724 Indian Woods Circle Maumee, OH	567-661-7357

These free sessions provide the opportunity to learn about entrepreneurial assistance programs for veterans, financing programs, sales opportunities with federal and state government, exporting opportunities, certifications available to you and more.

Register for the event of your choice by contacting the agencies listed above.

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