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Upcoming Job Fairs

COLUMBUS – For many returning veterans, finding a job is their new #1 mission. The Ohio Department of Veterans Services will provide news and updates on job fairs and major employment opportunities as we become aware of them.

Two significant job events for Ohio veterans are coming up in April and May.

The first is in Youngstown, and focuses on jobs in the emerging shale oil and gas industry – a natural fit for many veterans. It's a special training and employment fair for oil and gas jobs, to be held in Youngstown at the end of this month.

The event will take place on Monday, April 29, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Boardman. The address is 7410 South Avenue, Youngstown, OH 44512.

The fair is sponsored by U.S. Senator Rob Portman, the Ohio Oil & Gas Association and the Youngstown/Warren Regional Chamber. For more information, see:
<http://www.portman.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/energy-jobs-fair>.

The second event is in mid-May in Cincinnati. Sponsored by the company RecruitMilitary in partnership with the American Legion, it will be held on Thursday, May 16, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Paul Brown Stadium, where the Cincinnati Bengals play.

More than 60 employers are slated to be on-hand, including Home Depot, General Electric, Prudential Financial, Norfolk Southern, Cincinnati Bell, and the VA Medical Center. For more information, see:

<https://events.recruitmilitary.com/events/cincinnati-veteran-job-fair-may-16-2013>

As you prepare for any job event, do you need help building a resume and translating military to civilian experience? The web site below has resources to help and links to other Ohio employment information:

<http://my.ohiomeansjobs.monster.com/VetCenter/InfoCenter.aspx>

The military services also have "cool" web sites to help with translate military skills to civilian experience.

The sites, which stand for "credentialing opportunities online," allow a veteran to select their military skill code and then see the types of jobs their training and experience translates to, as well as any certifications that are needed. There is no Air Force, Marine, or Coast Guard "cool" site. However, the Air Force does offer similar resources on its Community College of the Air Force site, at the Credentialing and Education Research Tool (CERT) page; Marine skills are similar to those found in the Army and Air Force; and Coast Guard skills are similar to those found in the Navy.

The "cool" sites are below:

<https://www.cool.army.mil/index.htm>

<https://www.cool.navy.mil/overview.htm>

<https://augateway.maxwell.af.mil/ccaf/certifications/programs/>