



## Join the Ohio Department of Veterans Services for a Veterans Career Accelerator

Ohio veterans, military members and military spouses looking to advance their career, broaden their network and support entrepreneurial veterans are invited to take part in the Veterans Career Accelerator event on Monday, March 5. Entrepreneurial veterans are also encouraged to submit their best idea for a new small business in the business pitch competition. Finalists will present at the March 5 event.



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### AGENDA

#### 5:30-6:30 p.m.

- Facilitated speed networking geared towards: veterans seeking employment or career advancement, veterans interested in mentoring, veterans seeking a mentor, veterans with entrepreneurial interests, members of the military preparing to transition to civilian status, military spouses
- Job recruitment opportunities from Central Ohio employers

#### 6:30-7:30 p.m.

- Informal reception featuring high-tech equipment demonstrations and representatives from veteran-focused organizations
- Watch finalists from the business pitch competition present their ideas before a panel of small business and startup experts

### Business Pitch Competition

**Are you interested in presenting your business idea before a panel of small business experts?**

Submit the information below to [OhioVet@dvs.ohio.gov](mailto:OhioVet@dvs.ohio.gov) by **Thursday, February 15th**.

Finalists will be notified by February 20th that they have been selected to present their business pitch at the Veterans Career Accelerator on March 5th. In no more than three pages, please provide the following information:

1. Team members and contact information
2. Branch, rank and years of military service
3. Problem being solved – Why is your company/idea necessary?
4. How the problem is solved – What does your company/idea do?
5. Example or demonstration (if applicable)
6. Market – How big is your market and where is it heading?
7. Who is your competition and why is your company/idea better?
8. Business Model – How do you become profitable?
9. Key Partnerships and/or customer testimonials (if applicable)
10. Next steps – What are your goals for the next 12 to 24 months?

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