



More Than 80 Employers Attending 7th *Heroes4Hire* Job and Career Fair

Business and Government Join Forces to Help Job-Seeking Veterans

WETHERSFIELD, April 15, 2011 – More than 80 companies and organizations will participate in the 7th *Heroes4Hire* job and career fair taking place 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. April 19 at East Hartford’s Rentschler Field Ballroom. A ribbon-cutting ceremony to be held at 10:30 a.m. will celebrate the fact that with this event, the *Heroes4Hire* job fairs have now served more than 10,000 Connecticut veterans.

Speaking at the 10:30 to 11 a.m. ribbon-cutting ceremony will be Labor Commissioner Glenn Marshall, Veterans’ Affairs Commissioner Linda Schwartz, U.S. Congressman John Larson (First District), U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal, and U.S. Chamber of Commerce Vice President Kevin Schmiegel.

“We have received an outpouring of support from Connecticut companies, state and federal veteran organizations, and workforce organizations,” noted Terry Brennan, Director of the Labor Department’s Office for Veterans’ Workforce Development and organizer of the job and career fair. “This is the largest *Heroes4Hire* job fair yet to take place and the reason this event continues to grow each year is because employers recognize the value and skills a veteran can bring to the workplace.”

In addition to more than 80 employers on site to interview the job seekers, the fair will offer résumé critique and tips from the Labor Department’s Nationally Certified Professional Résumé Writers. Outside will be parked the state’s Vet Express van and the federal V.A. mobile bus to provide referrals and help with questions about military services and benefits.

Those attending the free job and career fair are urged to bring plenty of résumés and be ready to talk with employers on site. There is plenty of free parking and a listing of participating companies and directions to Rentschler Field can be found on the Connecticut Department of Labor’s Web site at www.ctjobfairs.com.

The veterans-only event is sponsored by the departments of Labor and Veterans’ Affairs, U.S. Chamber of Commerce, CBIA, the Travelers, CBS Radio and local Chambers of Commerce.

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