## The Organization Lifting Veterans and Supporting Ohio Businesses

Attention all supporters of our Nation's Veterans! We are excited to announce the development of a new Ohio Chamber of Commerce for Veterans (OCCV), an organization dedicated to supporting our brave men and women who have proudly served in uniform as they work to either reintegrate back into civilian life or have been in the civilian workforce for years. With a focus on Employment, Entrepreneurship, Education, and Ecosystem development, we aim to provide comprehensive support for our Veterans and their families in every aspect of their lives. We invite you to join us in this important mission by getting involved and supporting our military connected families.

Our first area of focus is **Employment**. We believe the Veteran community can be the key to addressing the workforce shortage that many Ohio businesses face. The OCCV will not only be able to assist these businesses with creating a plan to recruit and retain Veteran talent, but we'll be the conduit that connects them to Ohio's military connected community.

Secondly, we'll focus on <u>Entrepreneurship</u> development. Many Veterans have the drive and determination to start their own businesses but lack the resources and support they need to succeed. By connecting Veterans with government and private sector resources, we'll get them the tools and resources necessary for them to launch, grow, and sustain successful businesses here in Ohio.

Our third area of focus is **Education**. Many Veterans and their families, either struggling with reintegration back into civilian life or looking for expanded opportunities, may not be aware of the many educational and training programs available to them. By connecting Veterans and their families with colleges and career technical education services that have programs specifically designed for them, we'll help them get the education, training and certifications they need to succeed in their chosen careers.

Finally, and most importantly, we'll focus on developing the **Ecosystem**. Many Veterans struggle with isolation and loneliness as they transition back into civilian life. By connecting Veterans with other Veterans and community resources, we can help them reintegrate into their communities.

We believe the Ohio Chamber of Commerce for Veterans is the essential resource that our Ohio Veterans and their families so desperately need. Join the movement and help us in supporting our brave men and women who have proudly served in uniform. Whether through sponsorships, membership, volunteering your services or simply

spreading the word, there are many ways to get involved and make a difference in their lives.

Fill out this brief <u>contact form</u> and let's ensure that our Veterans receive the support and resources they need. Your participation enables us to best serve you as we build the programs needed to help our Veterans find success outside of the uniform.