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Greetings:

We are Disabled Veterans Outreach Program (DVOP) Specialists with the State of Michigan Veterans' Service Division serving Kalamazoo, Branch, Calhoun, and St. Joseph Counties. As DVOP Specialists, our mission is to deliver intensive, individualized employment services to a targeted veteran population as an integrated partner of the Michigan Works Agency.

### **Eligibility for services**

To be determined program eligible for DVOP services a veteran or eligible spouse must have a significant barrier to employment as described below:

- Veterans Affairs disability rating (including 0%); or
- Discharged due to service connected disability; or
- Homeless; or
- Recently separated from service within a 36 month period and unemployed for 27 consecutive weeks of the last twelve months; or
- Offender released from incarceration within the last 12 months; or
- Lacking a high school diploma or GED; or
- Low income; or
- Aged 18-24;
- In process of leaving military service and have completed Transition Assistance Program;
- Currently on active duty and assigned to a Warrior Transition Unit

### **Services offered?**

Once the veteran or eligible spouse has been identified as program eligible they will be placed into case management and provided intensive services;

- Resume Assistance
- Workforce Information
- Vocational guidance
- Direct referral to other service providers
- Job search planning
- Job search workshop
- Refer to Michigan Works programs

### **Program enrollment**

If you are a veteran or eligible spouse and interested in working with a DVOP Specialist to reduce or eliminate your barriers to employment please visit the nearest Michigan Works Agency and complete our application form. Once eligibility has been determined a DVOP Specialist will contact you to schedule an appointment.

If you have further questions or would like to meet please feel free to contact us. Thank you for all you do to assist those who have served.

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Please note: Even if you feel that you do not meet the above criteria, ALL veterans have Priority of Service at Michigan Works offices. Please visit your nearest Michigan Works office to use the resources available to aid your job search.



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