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Wounded Warrior Project Connects Veterans With Tampa Employers

TAMPA, Fla., April 11, 2017 / PRNewswire-USNewswire -- Making the transition from the military to a civilian career can be challenging. Skills honed during service to our country do not immediately translate to skills sought out by many employers. But they should. Wounded Warrior Project (WWP) works with veterans directly to ensure what they learned in the military extends

to a meaningful career.

Marine Corps veteran Stephen Pearson attended a recent WWP program event in Tampa to connect with potential employers.

"Wounded Warrior Project had so many companies available to answer our questions, including some we never thought to ask," Stephen said. "Each and every company representative shared insight on what to do and what not to do while pursuing employment."

A number of organizations took part, including Wawa, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, and the FBI, to share their expertise with veterans.

WWP career counseling not only connects warriors and companies, but it also helps with resumes – translating military experiences to the needs of civilian organizations – and interview coaching, while educating employers on the benefits of the veteran workforce. These men and women are well-trained, highly skilled professionals. They can bring loyalty, leadership, and flexibility to any team.

"One of the things we talked about is the importance of social media," Stephen said. "It can play a major part in the career search."

Making a career jump can create anxious moments for anyone. For veterans, it might be the first time they have had to interview for a job. WWP program events create comfortable settings to empower warriors to take the next step. Stephen attended to help find his new calling.

"I met representatives from several of the companies and connected with them on LinkedIn. I also met other recently retired veterans. It is nice to know I am not alone in my attempts to find a new career."

Learn more about how WWP helps veterans find civilian careers at https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/programs/warriors-to-work.

To learn and see more about how WWP's programs and services connect, serve, and empower wounded warriors, visit https://newsroom.woundedwarriorproject.org/.

About Wounded Warrior Project

Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) connects, serves, and empowers wounded warriors.

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