

Mission Critical: Military Veterans Represent Valuable Under-Tapped Resource for Companies Facing Talent Shortages

- On Veterans Day ManpowerGroup celebrates the valuable skills and experience military personnel bring to the workplace
- ManpowerGroup helps veterans to develop the in-demand skills companies need
- New report from ManpowerGroup Solutions provides advice for hiring and retaining veterans

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 11, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- More than 250,000 military members are discharged every year in the United States and with almost half.companies experiencing talent shortages, veterans represent a highly-skilled yet undertapped resource. Many provide the in-demand skills companies need, along with teamwork, discipline, perseverance, leadership and the ability to perform under pressure.



ManpowerGroup (NYSE: MAN) has been proud to partner with defense forces across the world for more than a decade - including providing <u>resettlement services</u> for 180,000 individuals in the U.K., delivering the largest and most complex Recruitment Process Outsourcing (RPO) in the world for the <u>Australian Defence Force</u>, and developing a veteran task force in the United States - led by a military spouse - to address the challenges of transitioning into civilian work.

"Veterans possess many of the skills that are highly valued by employers, but service women and service men can find it difficult to demonstrate the relevance of those skills to be able to transition into civilian jobs," said Mara Swan, Executive Vice President of Global Strategy and Talent at ManpowerGroup. "As employers, it is our role to help veterans adapt - and to attract the best talent into our organizations, we must think differently about our people practices. It is not just the right thing to do, it makes clear business sense. Organizations with inclusive cultures have higher customer satisfaction, greater productivity and better profitability."

ManpowerGroup Solutions recently released a new white paper, "Veterans: A Workforce To Be Reckoned With," which offers insights on the preferences of veteran job candidates and provides recommendations on how employers can improve veteran recruitment and retention within their organizations.

The recent survey of veteran job seekers by ManpowerGroup Solutions indicates the biggest career challenge they face is "cultural bias." In the white paper, ManpowerGroup Solutions outlines the steps employers should take to effectively recruit and retain veterans, including:

- 1. **Customize messaging for veterans.** Using military language in job descriptions and outreach demonstrates sensitivity to the issues and values that matter most to veterans.
- 2. **Look within the organization.** Encourage employees who served or have spouses who served to become brand ambassadors and/or mentors for veteran candidates.
- 3. **Integrate corporate sustainability with military-related service projects.** These types of activities can demonstrate a company's commitment to supporting veterans.

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