

Arizona Department of Economic Security Veterans Program

LVER/DVOP Roles and Responsibilities

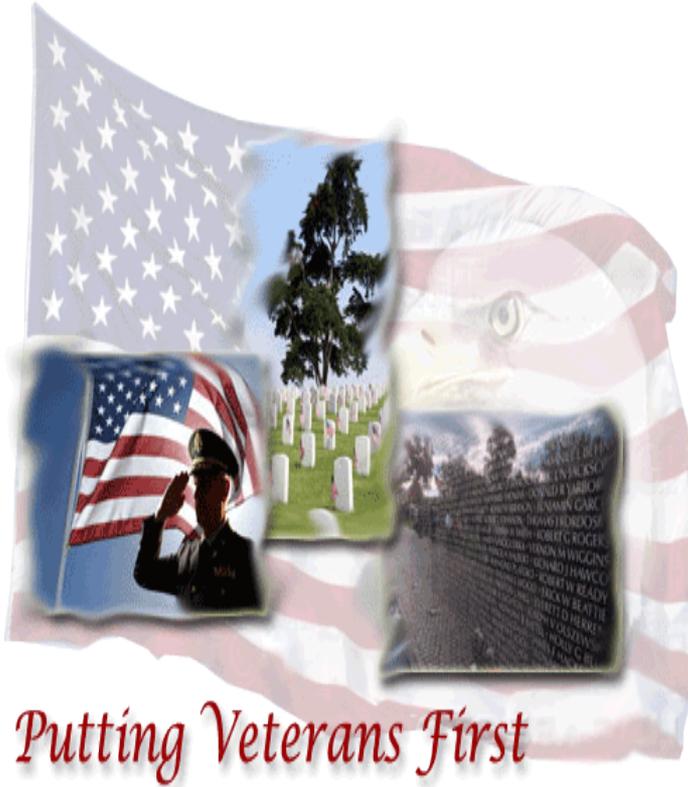
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Mission Statement



- ▶ The Department of Economic Security (DES) and the Department of Labor/Veterans and Employment Training Services (DOL/VETS), under the provisions of United States Code, Title 38, Chapter 41 and Jobs for Veterans Act, PL 107-288 provide “Priority of Services” to Special Disabled Veterans, Disabled Veterans, Veterans, and Eligible Spouse in all Employment Services offices and the American Career Centers.



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Population served by our Program:

- Special Disabled Veteran
- Disabled Veteran
- Eligible Veteran
- Eligible Spouse



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“Special disabled veteran” means —

(A) a veteran who is entitled to compensation rated at 30 percent or more, or (ii) rated at 10 or 20 percent in the case of a veteran who has been determined to have a serious employment handicap; or

(B) a person who was discharged or released from active duty because of service-connected disability.



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The term “Disabled Veteran” means

(A) A veteran who is entitled to compensation under laws administered by the Secretary,

or

(B) a person who was discharged or released from active duty because of a service-connected disability.



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The term “Eligible Veteran”

(A) means a person who served on active duty for a period of more than 180 days and was discharged or released there from with other than a dishonorable discharge;

(B) was discharged or released from active duty because of a service-connected disability.; or

as a member of a reserve component under an order to active duty pursuant to served on active duty during a period of war or in a campaign or expedition for which a campaign badge is authorized.



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Eligible Spouse

Means the spouse of any of the following:

- 1)– Any veteran that died of a service connected disability;
- 2)– Any member of the armed forces service on active duty who, at the time of application for the priority, is listed as one or more of the following categories and has been so listed a total of more than 90 days: Missing In Action, Captured in line of duty by a hostile force, forcibly detained or interned in the line of duty by a foreign government.
- 3)– Any veterans who has a total disability resulting from a service connected disability, as evaluated by the V.A.
- 4)– Any veteran who died of a disability as indicated in number 3 above.



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How do we serve our targeted population?

Disabled Veterans Outreach Program Representative
(DVOP)

Local Veterans Employment Representative
(LVER)



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The Disabled Veterans Outreach Program Representative, DVOP



DVOP specialist provide intensive services to meet the employment needs of special disabled veterans, disabled veterans, veterans and eligible spouses.



DVOP specialist are actively involved in outreach efforts to increase program participation among those with the greatest barriers to employment.



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Intensive Services provided by DVOP specialists



- Conduct an assessment
- Develop employment plans
- Provide career guidance
- Refer and coordinate supportive services
- Provide referrals to training
- Referrals to open job opening



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The Local Veterans Employment Representative, LVER



LVER staff conduct outreach to employers and advocacy hiring opportunities for veterans, encourage the hiring of disabled veterans.



LVER staff conduct seminars for employers and job search workshops for veterans seeking employment, and facilitate priority of service in regard to employment, training, and placement services furnished to veterans by all staff of the employment service offices.



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Job Developments performed by LVER staff



- ▶ Advocates for hiring of Veterans to employers
- ▶ Employer Relations
- ▶ Planning and participation in Job Fairs
- ▶ Works with Unions and Business organizations to promote employment and training opportunities for veterans
- ▶ Collaborates with training providers and licensing agencies to promote licensing and training opportunities for veterans
- ▶ Establish, facilitate and/or maintains regular contact with employers to include federal contractors



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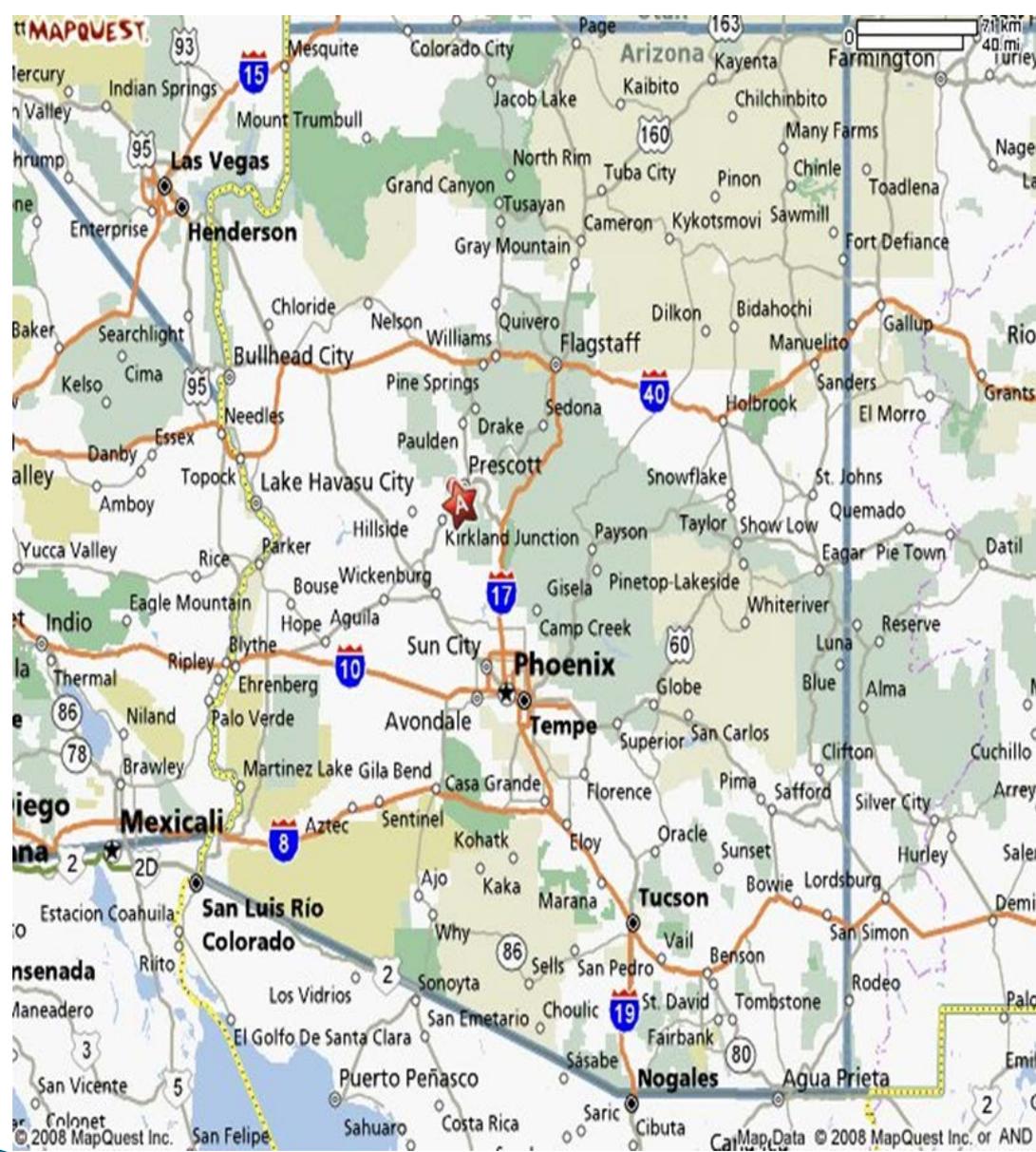
DVOP Outreach activities to

- Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment Programs
- Homeless Shelters
- Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers
- VA Vet Centers
- Civic and Services Organizations
- Community Stand Downs for homeless veterans
- Military Installations–Facilitating TAP seminars
- WIA partners
- State DES/Employment Services Offices
- Educational Institutions



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LVER/DVOP Staff in Arizona

DVOP Staff in Arizona = 34
 LVER Staff in Arizona = 21

- Phoenix – Dale Groen
- Tucson – David Balderrama
- Yuma – Rafael Jubera
- Lake Havasu – Jose Herrera
- Kingman – Jose Herrera
- Bullhead City – Jose Herrera
- Prescott – Abraham Beltran
- Flagstaff – Abraham Beltran
- Winslow – John Baxter
- Casa Grande – Mark Pollinger
- Sierra Vista – David Balderrama
- Nogales – David Balderrama
- Show Low – John Baxter
- Mesa – Dale Groen



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For a complete list of our DVOP/LVER Representatives:

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