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Christie Administration Connects Veterans to Employment Opportunities in South Jersey
Labor Department Joins Camden County Veterans Hiring Fair

CAMDEN, NJ, May 4, 2016 – Continuing the Christie Administration’s commitment to New Jersey veterans, the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development today joined the Camden County Board of Freeholders, the American Legion and more than 50 employers and service providers at the Fourth Annual Veterans Job Fair held at BB&T Pavilion in Camden. The event featured workshops on interviewing and resume skills and veterans services for women.

“Since the start of this Administration, my department has been involved in dozens of career fairs and veteran employment initiatives, giving veterans and their family members an opportunity to connect with employers offering real jobs opportunities,” said Commissioner Harold J. Wirths of the New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development. “These men and women put their lives on the line to serve this nation and they deserve nothing less than having a job to return to when they get home.”

The event kicked-off with an opening ceremony featuring welcoming remarks from Department of Labor Chief of Staff Gary Hasenbalg, New Jersey American Legion Department Commander Mike Babli and Congressman Donald Norcross. Featured at the event were local and national employers with current job openings in the industries of security, insurance, law enforcement, financial services, health, staffing, material supplies, pest control, telecommunications, defense, utilities and government, as well as veteran service organizations, including the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the state Department of Military and Veterans Affairs.

The Department of Labor and Workforce Development works with more than 12,000 veterans per year in its 29 One-Stop Career Centers throughout the state. The department maintains a staff of about 40 veteran representatives, most of whom are former military personnel, who assist veterans in developing resumes that properly communicate their aptitude and skill sets to employers. The representatives also assist veterans with networking skills and match veterans to job openings.

Veterans seeking employment are encouraged to contact the State Veterans Program Coordinator O. Wayne Smith at Ottis.Smith@dol.nj.gov or visit veterans staff at the nearest One-Stop Career Center. More information about the department’s veterans services can be found [here](#).

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Department of Labor Chief of Staff Gary Hasenbalg delivered welcoming remarks at the Fourth Annual Camden County Veterans Job Fair at BB&T Pavilion in Camden.



Department of Labor Chief of Staff Gary Hasenbalg (far right) attended the Fourth Annual Camden County Veterans Job Fair in Camden on Wednesday.