VERG Social Media Connections & Website:

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/VERGwa/

Twitter: @ VERG_WA

LinkedIn: https://www.linkedin.com/groups/4968 740/

Internet: http://www.dva.wa.gov/aboutwdva/washington-veterans-employeeresource-group-verg





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> Find Employment Opportunities at: Careers.wa.gov

> > We Hire Veterans





VERG Purpose

In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order 19-01, the Veterans Employee Resource Group (VERG) exists to integrate the experiences, values, and knowledge of both veterans, service members, and military spouses into state employment. The VERG supports former and active military personnel and their families by providing networking activities and professional developmental opportunities.

The **goal** of the VERG is to make Washington State the employer of choice for veterans and spouses by:

Recruiting,

Retaining, and

Recognizing

veterans in state employment.



VERG Composition:

The VERG primarily consists of veterans currently employed with the state. However, prior military service is not required to be a member. Anyone with interest in promoting the value of veterans in state service may join the VERG.

VERG Meetings:

Regular meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of the month. Meeting locations vary.

Please visit our website for specific information on dates, times and locations of meetings.

If you see someone wearing one of these lanyards, be sure to ask them about the VERG!



VERG Sub-Groups:

The VERG's sub-committees focus on the following areas.

Recruitment and Outreach

- Assists state agencies in recruiting, mentoring, and promoting veterans
- Partners with local veteran support organizations that refer veterans to state employment

Veteran's Integration

- Work with VERG members, agencies, and their hiring managers to develop and implement mentorship and career development assistance opportunities

Recognition

- Encourages and assists state agencies in honoring veterans within their agencies
- Organizes recognition events and ceremonies for veterans and their families

Communications

- Maintains the VERG website and social media presence
- Leads preparation of an annual report