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Veteran-Specific Resource **General Resource**

Department of Labor Veterans' Employment and Career Transitions

http://www.dol.gov/elaws/vets/realifelines/stateinfo.htm?state=WI
Contact Person: Alvin Joyner
E-mail: Alvin.joyner.l@dol.gov
Phone: (608) 266-3110
Description:
The REALifelines Veterans' Employment and Career Transition Advisor provides veterans, transitioning service members and their family members, with the resources they need to successfully transition to a rewarding career.

Department of Workforce Development - Equal Rights Division

http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/er/
Address:
201 E Washington Ave, Room A300
Madison, WI 53703
Phone: (608) 266-3131
Description:
The Wisconsin Equal Rights Division serves Wisconsin residents who have faced unlawful discrimination and violations of workplace wage and safety laws.

Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR):

www.esgr.org
Contact Person:
Chris Campbell
Address:
2400 Wright St.
Madison, WI 53704
Phone: (608) 242-3169
Description:
ESGR was established in 1972 to promote cooperation and understanding between Reserve component members and their civilian employers and to assist in the resolution of conflicts arising from an employee's military commitment.

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Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts

http://www.military.com/education/money-for-school/military-spouse-career-advancement-accounts-financial-aid.html
Phone: (800) 342-9647
Clients Served: Military Spouses
Description
AKA the Spouse Tuition Assistance, the Department of Defense recently expanded Military Spouse Career Advancement Accounts (MyCAA). This program can provide up to $4,000 of financial assistance for military spouses of lower grade service members with Associates degree or licensure.

Unemployment Appeals Clinic

http://wisconsinuac.blogspot.com/
Address:
1602 S. Park St., #106
Madison, WI 53715
Contact Person: Maura Ross
Email: uwuac@rso.wisc.edu
Phone: (608) 246-4357
Description:
The Clinic's goal is to help clients file unemployment compensation claims with the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD). The Clinic only deals with claims involving Wisconsin Unemployment Law. Staffed by UW Law students and supervising attorneys.

USERRA:

www.dol.gov/vets/programs/userra
USERRA Hotline:
(800) 336-4590

The Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act protects service members' reemployment rights when returning from a period of service in the uniformed services, including the reserves or National Guard, and prohibits employer discrimination based on service. The US Department of Labor, Veterans Employment and Training Service (VETS) is authorized to investigate and resolve complaints of USERRA violations.

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- Covers all uniformed services
- Separation from service must not be a disqualifying discharge or under other than honorable conditions
- Notify employer prior to deployment
- 5 years or less of cumulative service while with that employer
- Timely reapplication and report for civilian work

Return to Employment:
A service member who is employed is entitled to the rights and benefits (employer-provided and statutorily-mandated) that they would have attained if they remained employed.

Veterans Preference:
Veterans who are disabled or who served in active duty are entitled to preference over non-veterans in Wisconsin and federal government hiring and retention during reductions-in-force.

WI Dept of Workforce Development (DWD) Wisconsin Job Center Veterans Specialist

http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/veterans/
Address:
Dane County Job Center
1819 Aberg Avenue
Madison, WI 53704
Contact Person: Michael Beck
Email: michael.beck@dwd.wisconsin.gov
Phone: (608)242-4910; CELL: (608)225-9167
Description:
Referral to training, jobs, unemployment, disability, childcare, w-2

Wisconsin Works (W-2) Program

http://dcf.wisconsin.gov/w2/
Address:
Department of Children and Families
201 East Washington Avenue, Second Floor
Madison, WI 53703
Phone: (877) 855-7296; (608) 267-0513

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Description:
The Wisconsin Works (W-2) program is available to parents of minor children whose family income is below 115% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL). Each W-2 eligible participant meets with a Financial and Employment Planner (FEP), who helps the individual develop an employability plan.