



Spouse Ambassador Network





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What is the network?



Spouse Ambassador Network

- Developed by military spouses, for military spouses.
- A collection of organizations within the Military Spouse Employment Partnership that have established community networks and want to leverage these networks to broaden knowledge about military spouse employment resources.



What is the network?



Spouse Ambassador Network Mission

To educate, empower, and mentor military spouses to encourage career fulfillment by promoting and sharing resources while facilitating effective relationships with local and national stakeholders.



In Your Community



- **Population**

- 95 percent of 1.2 million spouses are women
- 750,000 active duty military spouses – more than half are less than 31 years old
- 400,000 National Guard/reserve spouses – more than half are more than 35 years old

- **Education**

- 84 percent have some college
- 25 percent have a bachelor's degree
- 10 percent have an advanced degree

- **Employment**

- 85 percent want or need to work
- 26 percent unemployment rate – one in four are unemployed and actively seeking work



- **Earnings**

- Military wives earn 25 percent less than their civilian counterparts
- Military families relocate 14 percent more frequently than civilian families

Knowledge is Power



“Own your own career. Learn about programs and considerations for military spouses.... Determine if your role is portable when you’re notified of an upcoming PCS move. If yes, develop and present a plan to management. Sell them on the value of keeping you on staff. It won’t work every time or with every company, but don’t be afraid to ask. Learn to garner support and promote yourself and your talents.”

– Military spouse employed by
MSEP partner



Connect with Resources



Military OneSource SECO Career Center

<http://www.Militaryonesource.mil/seco>

- Forty-four certified career counselors
- Available six days a week 800-342-9648



MSEP Career Portal

<https://msepjobs.militaryonesource.mil>

- More than 50,000 spouses hired since June 2011
- More than 1M jobs posted



MySECO

<https://myseco.militaryonesource.mil>

- Registration open to military spouses
- Top industry assessments

Network with Employers



MSEP Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/MSEPOnline>

- Hot jobs posted daily
- Partner highlights



MSEP Twitter

<https://twitter.com/msepjobs>

- Hot jobs posted daily
- Hiring fairs



MSEP LinkedIn

<http://www.linkedin.com/groups?home=&gid=4159976&trk=anet ug hm>

- Network directly with MSEP employers
- More than 500 members in open group



U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation Hiring Our Heroes Military Spouse Events

<http://www.hiringourheroes.org>

- DoD partners with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce – Hiring Our Heroes
- Military spouse hiring and career forums feature:
 - Employers, including MSEP partners, looking for and committed to hiring military spouses
 - Presentations to help spouses plan a career in a highly mobile environment
 - Resume help to edit and improve resumes on-site
 - Networking events available to military spouses across the country to better connect them with military, community and business leaders in their local area



Partner Template



For Spouse Ambassador Network partner resources