## NORCAL VIBOC

VETERANS BUSINESS OUTREACH CENTER

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## Veteran Resources for Growing or Starting a Business

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## The VBOC Mission

The VBOC serves men and women who are Active-Duty Service Members, Guard, Reserve, Veterans and their family members (Mil Spouses and Military Connected family members), who want to start a business or grow an existing business.





## About the VBOC

- We collaborate with resource partners including the SBA, SBDC, SCORE, APEX, and WBC.
- We provide business development services, training and consulting at no charge.
- There are currently 31 VBOCs across the United States funded by the U.S. Small Business Administration.
- Our NorCal VBOC launched in 2021.
- Each VBOC has its unique service area.





## NorCal VBOC Service Area

#### MILITARY BASES SERVED

- Naval Air Station Lemoore
- Naval Support Activity Monterey
- Naval Air Weapons Station China Lake
- Beale Air Force Base
- Travis Air Force Base







### How the NorCal VBOC Assists Our Clients

- One-on-One Consulting & Mentorship
- Pre-Business Plan Workshops
- Business Plan Assistance
- Feasibility Analysis/Strategy
- In-person and Online Training
- Navigation of Local Programs & Resources
- Other Related Business Development Services





## Workshops Offered

- Contracting with the State & Federal Government
  - Capability Statements
  - Government Certifications
  - Business Plans in Action
- Veteran Grown Series: Veteran Farming and Ranching
- Marketing Fundamentals for Veteran-Owned Businesses
  - Marketing Essentials: Advanced Training
  - E-commerce for Veterans and their families
  - Mil Spouse Pathway to Business program (New)
    - Boots to Business: Reboot
- Operation Fund Your Dreams- A Tactical Guide to Obtaining Funding Veteran Owned Businesses
  - Veteran Ventures: Turning Side Gigs into Successful Businesses

Check our website at NorCalVBOC.org for updates and schedule





## Boots to Business/Reboot

- Boots to Business: 2-day event
  - Conducted *on-base*, minimum of once per quarter
  - Open to Transitioning Service Members
- Reboot: 1-day event
  - Conducted *off-base* (online)
  - Open to Guard, Reserve, Veterans of all eras and military-connected family members
- Introduction to Entrepreneurship



#### 8 Modules:

- Introduction to Entrepreneurship
- The Right Idea
- Market Research
- Economics
- Legal Entity
- Financing/Access to Capital
- Business Planning
- · Resources to Support You







## Veterans & Business Ownership

Veteran
Mission-Focused
Critical thinker

**Problem Solver** 

Team Management

Values Relationships

**Flexible** 

Resilient

Persistent

**Ethical** 

Reliable



Entrepreneur









## Military Spouse Pathway to Business

- A focus on both transportable and home-based businesses for Military Spouses.
- Participants are introduced to the skills, knowledge, and resources they need to launch or grow a business including: marketing a business, how to access funding, developing a business plan, and information on SBA resources. available to help.







## National Veterans Small Business Week

- November 11-15, 2024
- The NorCal, LA & SoCal Veteran Business Outreach Centers
- Collaboration with the California SBA district offices
- A series of training events covering Transition Assistance, Entrepreneurial Training, Government Contracting/ Certifications, Disaster Assistance, Access to Capital, Military spouse, and Underserved Communities

https://www.sba.gov/national-veterans-small-business-week





## LOCATIONS

- HEADQUARTERS SACRAMENTO
- MAIN OFFICE REDDING
- SATELLITE CLOVIS
- SATELLITE FAIRFIELD







# Join the ranks of Veteran Business Owners!

Request your one-on-one consulting services \* Register for Veteran focused workshops









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# Questions?



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