

Join Us for the 13th Annual Veterans in Business Conference!



The **Veterans in Business Conference** (the premier Veteran's business conference in the metro DC area) returns for its 13th year of providing education, networking and business opportunities for the military community (**including all era Veterans, active duty, National Guard, Reservists and military spouses**) who continue to strengthen our country with their small business endeavors and entrepreneurial spirit. The conference was created by civic and business leaders in Northern Virginia to provide networking opportunities, training and exposure to members of the military community who wish to grow their businesses (whether it be B2B, B2G, B2C or non-profit) through the many opportunities the metro DC area affords. The conference is also open to anyone serious about doing business with the military community.

This year's focus is on **"Igniting Business Success"** so we have lined up an incredible array of workshops (**Teaming & Partnering, Mentor-Protégé Programs, Access to Capital and Supplier Diversity Programs**) and speakers (Veteran small business owners, prime contractors, government representatives and industry experts) to help position you for success in starting and growing your business.

Our 2018 Keynote Speakers



*RADM, USN (Retired) Allie Coetzee Leslie, Deputy Administrator,
U.S. Small Business Administration*



*Staci L. Redmon, President & CEO, Strategy
and Management Services, Inc. (SAMS)*

And Back by Popular Demand – Our Afternoon Special Session! Military Spouses - The Challenges and Triumphs of Entrepreneurship: Being an entrepreneur is tough - trying to be a military spouse AND an entrepreneur can seem downright impossible. Join us for this panel of successful military spouses as they share their challenges and triumphs (including work-life balance, education, employment and entrepreneurship), and the resources that helped them get ahead in business. Our Military Spouses panel includes:

- Sue Hoppin (Founder, National Military Spouse Network)
- Louisa Jaffe (CEO/President, TAPE)
- Cachet Prescott (Director, Small Business Development Center @ Community Business Partnership)

As we enter our 13th year of service to the Veteran small business community, our 2018 conference guarantees to attract a high caliber crowd of exhibitors, small businesses, prime contractors, government representatives and commercial businesses.

Sponsorships, exhibitor tables and general admission tickets are still available.



When: Thursday, March 22, 2018

7:45am - 3:30pm

Where: Army Navy Country Club

1700 Army Navy Drive

Arlington VA 22202

General Admission: Only \$150

Details and Registration at: <http://www.veteransbusinessconference.com/>

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