

## Back to School: VET TEC aims to land you a tech job



Looking to start a career in the tech/computer industry but don't know where to start? Or are you looking to advance your career, but need or want more training? Then look no further than **VET TEC** (Veteran Employment Through Technology Education Courses).

**VET TEC** allows current servicemembers and Veterans to utilize their GI Bill entitlement to pay for tuition and housing in verified VET TEC training programs. Current courses cover the following training areas: **computer software, computer programming, data processing, information science, and media applications.**

To be **eligible** for the program you must:

- Not be on active duty or are within 180 days of separating from active duty, **and**
- Qualify for VA education assistance under the GI Bill, **and**
- Have at least one day of unexpired GI Bill entitlement, **and**
- Be accepted into a program by a VA-approved training provider

To apply, fill out the form found [here](#).

If you haven't already applied for VA education benefits, you'll also need to fill out an Application for VA Education Benefits (VA Form 22-1990) or apply online [here](#).

It's never too late to change careers or get more schooling! Here are some of the average

salaries for a few tech careers, courtesy of VET TEC certified [Fullstack Academy](#):

#### **DATA ANALYTICS**

**\$98,238**

Data Analysts in NYC earn an average annual salary of \$98,238 (ZipRecruiter, 2023). Roles like Data Engineer or Data Scientist may earn well over 6 figures (Lightcast™).

#### **CYBERSECURITY**

**\$102,679**

With over 38,000 unfilled cyber positions in NYC (CyberSeek, 2023), New Yorkers have greater access to lucrative roles. On average, Cybersecurity Analysts in NYC earn \$102,679 annually (ZipRecruiter, 2023).

#### **CODING**

**\$90,807**

Web Developers in NYC earn an average annual salary of \$90,807 (Glassdoor, 2023). Plus, the national demand for Web Developers and Software Engineers is projected to increase by 25% over the next decade (bls.gov).

#### **PRODUCT MANAGEMENT**

**\$157,000**

In NYC, Product Managers earn an average entry-level salary of \$98,076, while those with more experience can expect to earn about \$157,000 (Glassdoor; ZipRecruiter, 2023).

[Learn More About VET TEC](#)

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## **The Wall That Heals**

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***Vietnam Veterans Memorial Replica & Mobile  
Education Center***



**The Wall That Heals** is a traveling replica of the **Vietnam Veterans Memorial** in Washington D.C. and mobile education center that will be coming to Flushing Meadows Corona Park in Queen this fall. The exhibit will be free and open to the public. The Wall That Heals honors the more than three million Americans who served in the U.S. Armed forces during the Vietnam War.

The exhibit is a 3/4 scale replica spanning 375 feet and measuring 7.5 feet at its apex. Over 58,000 names are inscribed on the wall with over 4,000 from New York--including more than 1,700 hailing from New York City. Join us as we our Vietnam Veteran community and learn more about our nation's history.

We are seeking volunteers to help with visitor services and other aspects of the exhibition. If you are interested in volunteering, please fill out the volunteer registration form found [here](#).

Stay tuned for updates as events and ceremonies will be planned as we get closer to the arrival date.

### **The Wall That Heals Visit to NYC**



September 28th - October 1st



Flushing Meadows Corona Park

131-04 Meridian Road, Queens, NY 11368

(The field on the southwest side of the World Ice Arena)

[Read More About The Wall That Heals](#)

[Volunteer Registration Form for The Wall That Heals](#)

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## VETERAN NEWS

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### Nearly 5k pilots forged medical records to fly, FAA says

- Pilots, all veterans, accused of concealing health conditions or disorders
- About 600 pilots under investigation licensed to fly for passenger airlines
- Half of the 4,800 cases closed; 60 ordered to stop flying pending review



By: [Dray Clark](#)

Published: AUG 28, 2023

([NewsNation](#)) — Nearly 5,000 pilots licensed to operate in the U.S. were investigated for allegedly falsifying medical records to hide conditions that could deem them unfit to fly, according to the Federal Aviation Administration.

The pilots under investigation, who are military veterans, are accused of intentionally omitting or submitting inaccurate and false details about medical conditions to the FAA. These conditions could potentially negatively impact eligibility to continue to fly.

The FAA has collaborated with the Veterans Administration and determined that about 4,800 out of the more than 6,000 certified pilots in the U.S. are under scrutiny. An anonymous U.S. official familiar with the investigation [told The Washington Post](#), “About 600 of the pilots under investigation are licensed to fly for passenger airlines.”

“Like any other high-performing industry and occupation, pilots are very concerned about seeking medical care when they need it because they are worried it could reflect on something like a medical certification which they need for their livelihood,” said emergency room physician Dr. Amy Ho. [\[READ MORE...\]](#)

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## **More Veteran-related Headlines**

American Legion: [VA official: Get the word out about final PACT Act deadline](#)

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Bloomberg: [3M Agrees to Pay More Than \\$5.5 Billion Over Military Earplugs](#)

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FOX News (Video): [Navy SEAL who claimed to kill bin Laden arrested in Texas](#)

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VA | News: [Warrior Rising awarding free cookie business franchise to a Veteran](#)

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VFW: ['Self-Sufficient' Veterans Build Desert Community](#)

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## **Patriot Day: National Day of Service and Remembrance**





# NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE



In Honor of 9/11, Patriot Day



**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023 | 10:00 AM**

**CYPRESS HILLS NATIONAL CEMETERY, 625 JAMAICA AVE., BROOKLYN, NY 11208**

Join thousands of volunteers as we clean headstones and beautify VA National Cemeteries across the nation to honor and remember those who served our country.

This is a great service opportunity for employee engagement, youth groups and individuals.

Dress is casual and respectful. No open toed shoes, tank tops, etc. We will be outside so be mindful of the weather. No pets please. Children under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult.

**REGISTRATION  
REQUIRED**



**[CARRY THE LOAD.ORG/PATRIOT-DAY](https://www.carrytheload.org/patriot-day)**

**National Day of Service and Remembrance Registration**

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## A Message From Mayor Adams:

Each week DVS shares a brief update about how our administration is getting stuff done for New Yorkers.



*The Adams administration is dedicated to cutting through the noise and delivering information directly to you and all New Yorkers.*

*Sign up to "Hear From Eric" and get direct messages from City Hall, tailored to your interests and neighborhood, sent directly to your inbox – at [nyc.gov/hearfromeric/](https://nyc.gov/hearfromeric/)*

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[Mayor Adams, NYPD Commissioner Caban Take Historic Step to Embrace Adhan, Muslim Call to Prayer Citywide](#)

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[Transcript: Deputy Mayor for Health and Human Services Anne Williams-Isom Holds Briefing on Asylum Seeker Response](#)

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[New York Task Force 1 Urban Search And Rescue Team Arrives In Columbia, South Carolina Ahead Of Hurricane Idalia, FDNY Incident Management Team Deploys To Louisiana To Respond To Wildfires And Extreme Heat](#)

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We are looking to highlight Veterans in the arts community! Whether it's an upcoming free exhibition, performance, or piece/installation you've created, we want to showcase your work and help spread the word. Submissions will be reviewed on a rolling basis and promoted at our discretion. We want this to be a space for Veteran artists to express themselves in an authentic way.

Please email submissions to [connect@veterans.nyc.gov](mailto:connect@veterans.nyc.gov) with a brief bio, an artist statement, art medium, and your affiliation to the Veteran community.

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**Join Our Team! Be Part of the Mission!**



## **Current DVS Job Openings**

Being part of our team is a great way to continue to serve.

[Visit NYC.gov/jobs](https://www.nyc.gov/jobs) and select “Veterans’ Services” from the agency menu to learn more [about and apply to the job below.](#)

**College Aide - IT Operations** - DVS seeks a College Aide hire to play a key role in the agency’s Information Technology team, while gaining IT experience during their college experience.

**College Aide - HR Specialist** - DVS seeks a College Aide hire to play a key role in the agency's HR team, while gaining HR experience during their college experience.

**Community Outreach Assistant** - The Community Outreach Assistant will help the Department of Veteran Services engage the roughly 210,000 Veterans and their families who reside throughout the five boroughs of New York City. This position will help the Assistant Commissioner of Outreach engage and educate the Veteran community about information and resources, develop and manage outreach programs, represent the agency at outreach events, and plan public events.

**Network Engineer** - The Network Engineer will play a key role for DVS Information Technology (IT) Team and report directly to the Chief Information Officer. This position will support and develop the agency’s core business applications while providing secured network connectivity, asset management, and technical support for a highly mobile team.

**Senior Veterans Benefits Advisor** - DVS seeks a highly qualified candidate to join the Client Services team as a Senior Veterans Benefits Advisor. The Senior Veterans Benefits Advisor will be responsible for managing the day-to-day operations of a team responsible for processing Veteran's claims with the VA. This role will be a subject matter expert in processing VA claims for Veteran benefits and train up staff as well as provide guidance and advice in this area. VA accreditation to process claims will be provided by New York State Department of Veterans Services.

**Special Assistant** - The Special Assistant will exercise full responsibility over the management and execution of administrative tasks as they relate to supporting the Executive Team, specifically, the Commissioner, Deputy Commissioner, and Chief of Staff. In collaboration with senior leadership, the Special Assistant will also coordinate project workstreams and track deliverables as assigned. The Special Assistant will be expected to work independently and take initiative, as needed, under the leadership and supervision of the Commissioner and Chief of Staff.

## **VA Work Study Positions at DVS**

The NYC Department of Veterans' Services (DVS) supports VA Work-Study Positions! Here is a current list of available VA Work-Study openings:

- [Administrative Intern](#)
  - [Benefit Intern](#)
  - [Care Coordination Intern](#)
  - [Data Analyst Intern](#)
  - [Information Technology Intern](#)
  - [IT Support Intern](#)
  - [Legal Intern](#)
  - [Outreach Coordinator Intern](#)
  - [Veteran Business Promotion Intern](#)
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If you are interested in applying for a DVS-specific Work-Study position and meet eligibility requirements, please submit the following to [VAWorkStudy@veterans.nyc.gov](mailto:VAWorkStudy@veterans.nyc.gov):

- Resume
- Job Specific Cover Letter
- Supporting Documents found in the Job Description

[Check Here for VA Work-Study Postings](#)

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## **NYC Civil Service Job Openings and Exams**



### **Open Competitive Exams**

**Police Officer** - Police Officers perform general police duties and related work in the New York City Police Department including connecting and building relationships with the

community. To read more, visit the posting [here!](#)

To view more job listings, visit the exam board [here!](#)

To receive monthly updates on upcoming civil service exams click the button below to be directed to the Subscribe to the DCAS Newsletter page. On the registration form, select "City Jobs and Civil Service Announcements".

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## **Programs and Initiatives**

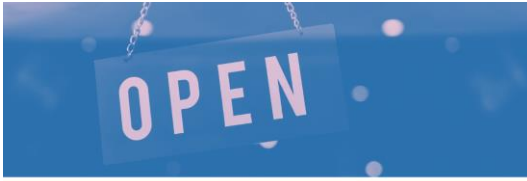
### **Affordable Housing For Veterans**



The [NYC Department of Veterans' Services \(DVS\)](#) maintains a list of federal, state, and city programs that offers a limited, but selective list of affordable housing options for veterans seeking financial relief for their housing arrangements. Visit our [Affordable Housing for Veterans](#) page to learn more.

### **Empowering Veteran Business Owners**





The primary mission of the [VBLA](#) is to serve Veterans seeking support and assistance with running a business and in their pursuit of New York City Government contracting opportunities. Our leadership association engages with the private sector, government, advisory board, and local partners to build a consortium that facilitates the growth and development of Veteran Businesses.

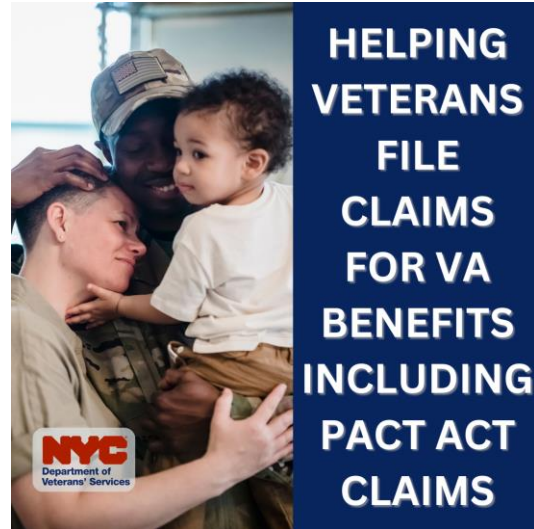
### **VetBizNYC: Supporting Veteran Entrepreneurship**

DVS has launched [VetBizNYC](#), an interactive map that identifies Veteran-owned businesses across the five boroughs. New Yorkers can use our interactive map to find and support Veteran-owned businesses in their community.



### **Are You Getting the Benefits You Deserve?**

The [NYC Department of Veterans' Services \(DVS\)](#) represents NYC Veterans in claims for benefits from the [U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs](#). Our team is also qualified to assist with PACT Act related claims. If you had a toxic exposure during your service, time is crucial for you to get the benefits you deserve. To file a claim, fill out the [VetConnectNYC.org](#) form and select **Benefits Navigation** as your preferred service.



## **VetConnectPro: A First-in-the-Nation Employment Tool**



[VetConnectPro](#), is a new employment tool designed to help Veterans find employment within NYC government. The platform features a military skills translator that can match your service experience and Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) to City jobs and civil service exams. Upload your resume and get started today: [nyc.gov/vetconnectpro](https://nyc.gov/vetconnectpro).

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## **Newsletter Sign-up**

If you received this newsletter by way of a friend or colleague and have yet to sign-up on your own, click [here](#), and stay up-to-date with the latest news impacting the community, updates on city services, info on DVS programs, Veteran-specific resources & more.

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## Contact Us

- Complete a service request form at [vetconnectnyc.org](http://vetconnectnyc.org)
- [Message the Commissioner](#)
- [Partner with DVS](#)
- [Press Inquiries](#)
- [Event Request Form](#)

Stay tuned on our website [www.nyc.gov/vets](http://www.nyc.gov/vets) and social media platforms [@nycveterans](#), or via email at [connect@veterans.nyc.gov](mailto:connect@veterans.nyc.gov).