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**America’s Warrior Partnership Receives HIRE Vets Medallion Award**

*-- Nonprofit recognized by federal program honoring employers for investments in recruiting, employing and retaining military veterans --*

WASHINGTON, D.C. – November 6, 2019 – America’s Warrior Partnership today received the Honoring Investments in Recruiting and Employing American Military Veterans (HIRE Vets) Medallion Award from the U.S. Department of Labor. The nonprofit was honored with the program’s small employer category Platinum Award in recognition for its ongoing commitment to veteran hiring, retention and professional development.

Among other benchmarks, the Platinum Award criteria requires 10% of new hires during the 2018 calendar year to be veterans, which America’s Warrior Partnership significantly exceeded with 80% of new hires being veterans. Currently, 48% of America’s Warrior Partnership’s staff is comprised of veterans, in addition to active duty military spouses and veteran spouses. The organization also provides a variety of professional development opportunities to veteran employees, including leadership mentoring with board members—75% of whom are veterans themselves who have transitioned to the civilian workforce—training and credentialing opportunities, and referrals to supportive services for veterans. America’s Warrior Partnership also offers a remote work policy to accommodate military spouses when active duty report locations change.

“Veterans are assets to the workplace. They come equipped with the skills needed to be valuable leaders,” said Jim Lorraine, president and CEO of America’s Warrior Partnership. “Organizations can better retain this talent by creating meaningful engagement with veteran employees, so we launched our Corporate Veteran Initiative to help companies – as well as our own organization – create veteran-friendly workplace cultures. It is an honor to be recognized for the work our team has accomplished alongside other standout organizations that are making it possible for veterans to thrive in their post-military careers.”

The America’s Warrior Partnership Corporate Veteran Initiative (CVI) is a program that provides businesses with insights, guidance and training to improve recruitment and retention of military veterans in the workforce. The CVI enables companies to develop and implement customized workplace solutions that empower veterans to thrive in their careers and become valuable assets to their employers.

The HIRE Vets Medallion Award Program was launched in accordance with President Trump’s signature of the HIRE Vets Act, also known as Public Law 115-31, in 2017. The Act required the U.S. Department of Labor to create a program for honoring organizations that have implemented initiatives recognizing the value that veterans bring to the workplace.

For more information on the HIRE Vets Medallion Program, visit [www.HireVets.gov](http://www.HireVets.gov).

For more information on America’s Warrior Partnership and its Corporate Veteran Initiative, visit [www.AmericasWarriorPartnership.org/CVI](http://www.AmericasWarriorPartnership.org/CVI).

**About America’s Warrior Partnership**

**America’s Warrior Partnership is committed to empowering communities to empower veterans.** We fill the gaps that exist between current veteran service organizations by helping nonprofits connect with the veterans, military members and families in need: bolstering their efficacy, improving their results and empowering their initiatives. America’s Warrior Partnership is a force multiplier for warrior community integration that enhances communities where great Americans choose to live and contribute. For more information on the organization and how to get involved, visit [www.AmericasWarriorPartnership.org](http://www.AmericasWarriorPartnership.org).

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