# Budget Briefing

Veterans' Employment and Training Service

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# Vision: Veterans succeeding in the 21st Century Workforce

Mission: provide veterans with the resources and services to succeed in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century workforce by maximizing their employment opportunities, protecting their employment rights, and meeting labor market demands with qualified veterans

#### **New Directions**

- First Departmental performance-based budget request
- ■Implementation of the Jobs for Veterans Act of 2002

## Performance Based Budget

- Budget request is now tied to Departmental and agency goals:
  - DOL Strategic Goal 1: A Prepared Workforce
    - Outcome Goal: Increase employment, earnings and assistance
      - VETS Performance Goal 1: Improve the employment outcomes for veterans who receive State Workforce Agency services and veterans program services
  - DOL Strategic Goal 3: Quality Workplaces
    - **Outcome Goal: Foster equal opportunity workplaces** 
      - VETS Performance Goal 2: Reduce employer-employee employment issues originating from service members' military obligations conflicting with their civilian employment.

# Budget Request

State Grants	\$162,415,000
Federal Administration	\$29,028,000
NVTI	\$2,000,000
HVRP	\$19,000,000
VWIP	\$7,550,000
TOTAL	\$219,993,000

#### Jobs for Veterans Act of 2002

- Enacted November 7, 2002
  - Requires additional effort by VETS
    - President's National Hire Veterans Committee
    - Electronic One-Stop Career Center
    - State Workforce Agency staff performance incentives
    - Change of formula and hold harmless provisions
    - States can identify DVOP and LVER plans on their Annual State Plan.
    - **■** Transition Assistance Program enhancements
- The request includes funding to enable implementation of the Act

### FY 2004 Request

- Additional FUTA funding is requested for:
  - State Grants + \$3.547 million Ameliorating the impact of the change in formula, and providing funding to replace funds used by the States as incentive awards to their staff for veterans' employment performance
  - Federal Administration + \$2.993 million Implementation funding for National Hire Veterans
     Committee, electronic One-Stop Career Center and
     TAP enhancements
  - NVTI + \$2.0 million Reinstating the National
     Veterans' Employment and Training Services Institute

## FY 2004 Request

- General Revenue funding is requested for:
  - HVRP + \$1.5 million Increase program
    capacity and effectiveness in service delivery to
    homeless veterans, support for incarcerated
    veterans' projects, and shift in focus to job
    retention
  - VWIP + \$250,000 Pilot a health occupations initiative

# **Output Indicators**

Public Labor Exchange System – Veterans entering employment	930,000
Homeless veterans entering employment	9,000
VWIP – veterans entering employment	2,500
TAP Participants	129,000
Class size	35
USERRA cases processed	1,325
Carryover to next FY	395
Veteran's Preference cases processed	250
Carryover to next FY	158