



# Solar Power International 2016



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# Solar Ready Vets



Solar Ready Vets is a Department of Energy SunShot Initiative Program aimed at connecting transitioning military personnel with solar training and employment opportunities.

This standardized 200 hour curriculum complements the **extensive skills developed during military service** and prepares transitioning service members to be strong candidates for jobs in the growing solar industry.

- 18 Completed Cohorts
- 314 graduates



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# Veterans in the Solar Industry

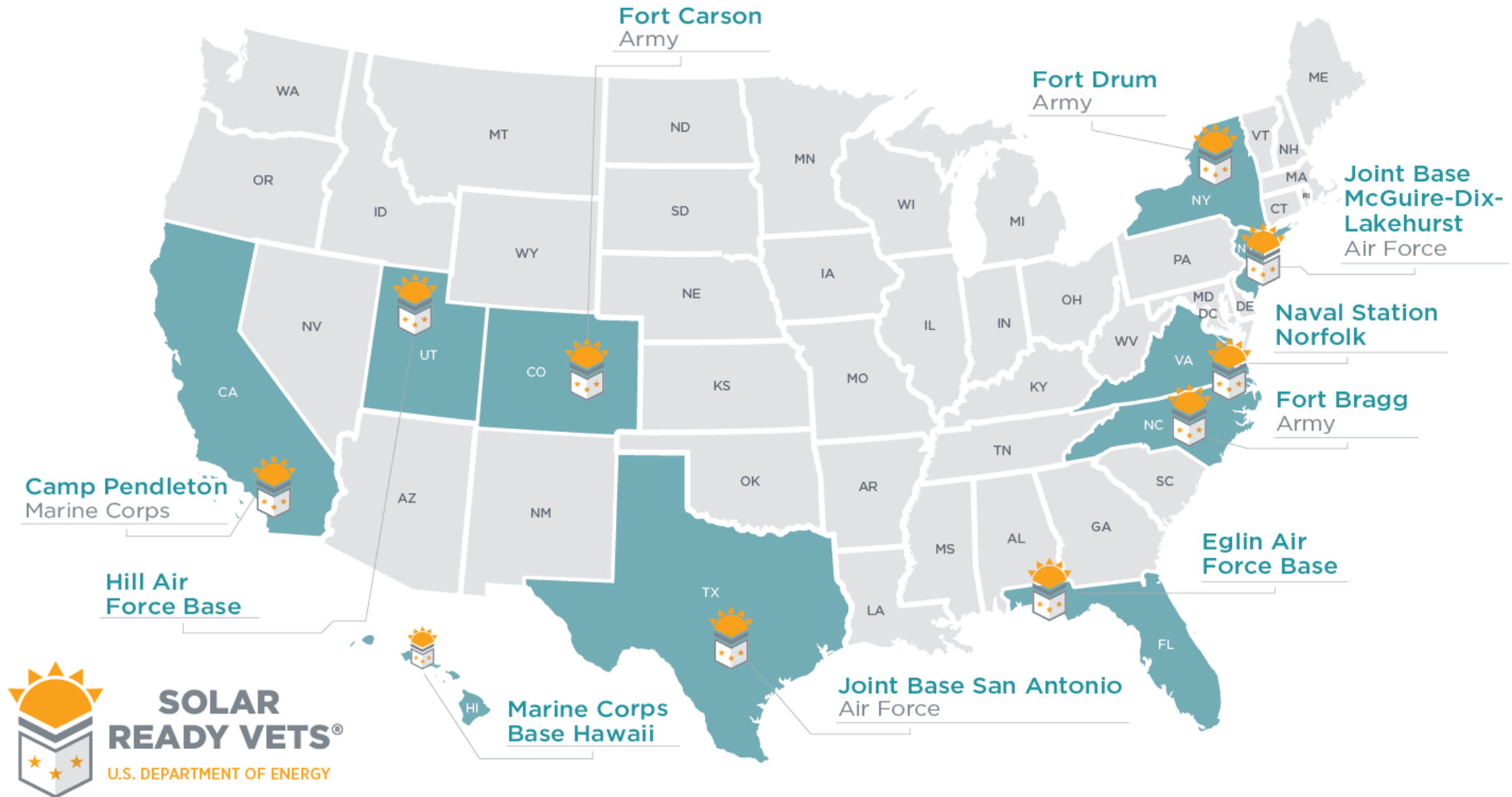


- 10% of solar industry workforce currently veterans
- 200,000+ veterans exiting service every year for the next few years
- Veterans highly trained, skilled, qualified
- U.S. Department of Defense SkillBridge Initiative



**17,000 Veterans**

# Solar Ready Vets Program Locations



# Solar Ready Vets Employer Partners



## Our Ask:

- Willingness to participate in Solar Ready Vets interview days and events either virtually or in-person
- Willingness to present information about the company to SRV cohorts either virtually or in-person
- Quarterly reporting on Solar Ready Vets hiring
- Creation of official employer partner profile once members-only website is launched

## Employer Benefits:

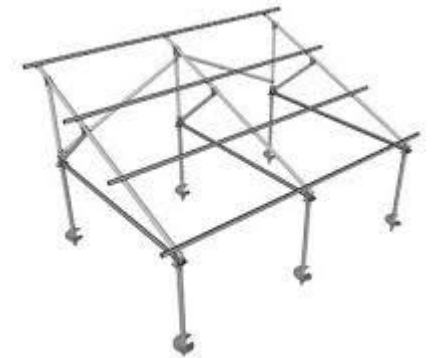
- Access to highly qualified, solar-trained Solar Ready Vets graduates
- Invitation to and promotion at Solar Ready Vets job fairs and events
- Solar Ready Vets monthly newsletter
- Members-only Solar Ready Vets web-portal access
- Inclusion in Solar Ready Vets employer directory
- Access to official Employer Partner logo



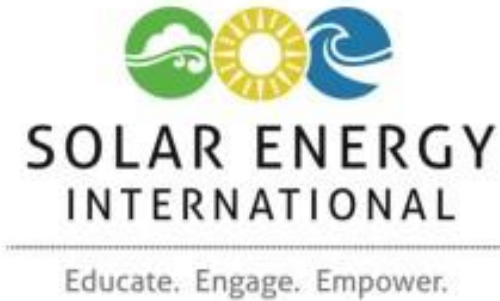
# Solar Ready Vets Equipment Donation



- Equipment donation opportunities are coordinated through the Solar Ready Vets Administrator
  - Training providers are asked to submit their equipment needs
  - Requests are compiled
  - Equipment donations are sought
    - PV Modules
    - Inverters (centralized or micro)
    - Racking/Mounting
    - Conduit
    - Safety equipment
    - Tools



# Solar Ready Vets Project Partners



*Retired Brigadier General  
Steve DePalmer*



# Questions?

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