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Dr. Jill Biden Announces 34 New Companies Committing to Hire Military **Spouses Through Joining Forces**

Companies Join the Military Spouse Employment Partnership, which includes 100 Fortune 500 "Plus" Employers Backing Military Spouses

To Date, 22,000 Military Spouses have been hired through the Partnership and more than 446,000 jobs have been posted for military spouse job seekers

Dr. Jill Biden and Department of Defense leadership will announce that 34 companies are stepping forward to join the Department of Defense Military Spouse Employment Partnership (MSEP), which helps connect military spouses with jobs. These 34 companies join more than 100 of the Fortune 500 "Plus" companies that already employ America's military spouses. MSEP, launched by Dr. Biden last June, has expanded rapidly in less than one year.

The Partnership's member companies have pledged to recruit, hire, promote and retain military spouses in portable careers. More than 22,000 military spouses have been hired and more than 446,140 jobs have been posted on the MSEP jobs web portal (https://msepjobs.militaryonesource.mil).

Today's announcement includes companies like Goodwill Industries, MetLife, Safeway (Vons), and Volt Workforce Solutions. Representatives from these top companies will participate in a MSEP Partner Induction Ceremony at the Pentagon today. During this ceremony, companies will sign the MSEP Statement of Support which pledges to:

- Increase employment opportunities for military spouses;
- Maintain employment status for military spouses as they relocate;
- Provide career promotion opportunities for military spouses; and
- Support pay equity for military spouses commensurate with their level of training, work experience, accomplishments and credentials.

The new partners will be welcomed by over 100 business executives from current MSEP partners, members of Congress, military Service Secretaries, senior military spouses of the Services, and military spouse employees of MSEP employment Partners.

The incoming partners also participated in the 2012 MSEP Spring Partnership meeting, which took place on Wednesday, May 16. Together, the Department of Defense is collaborating with the Partners to shape the evolution and expansion of the MSEP Program by addressing key program components that include application of the MSEP jobs career portal and reporting of spouses hired, communications and marketing, strategic organization, and mentoring programs for military spouses and partners.

For more information on the MSEP Program and partners, please visit https://msepjobs.militaryonesource.mil

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Below is a list of the new companies joining MSEP today as well as a full list of current MSEPpartners.

NEW COMPANIES JOINING MSEP TODAY

ADP

Automatic Data Processing, Inc,. with nearly \$9 billion in revenues and 570,000 clients, is one of the world's largest providers of business outsourcing solutions. Leveraging 60 years of experience, ADP offers the widest range of HR, payroll, tax and benefits administration solutions to organizations of all types and sizes. ADP is also a leading provider of integrated computing solutions to auto, truck, motorcycle, marine and recreational vehicle dealers throughout the world.

Apex Systems

Apex was founded in 1995 from the collective vision of Brian Callaghan, Win Sheridan, and Jeff Veatch who set out to create the premier IT staffing and services provider in the industry. Since 1995, Apex has grown to be the 6th largest IT staffing firm with more than \$700 million in yearly revenue and 49 markets nationwide. Apex provides IT staffing and services to all industries including financial services, business services, government services, telecommunications, technology, consumer & industrials, and healthcare.

Apple One Employment

AppleOne Employment Services is a full service provider of deliverable based solutions for staffing and workforce management services.

Armed Forces Services Corporation (AFSC)

Armed Forces Services Corporation's legacy goes back to 1879 with the formation of a nonprofit organization established to care for surviving spouses from The Battle of Little Big Horn. In June 2000, AFSC was spun-off from the organization and was formed as a Virginia-registered C-Corporation, owned by a new Board of service-disabled veterans. AFSC brought with it our reputation for expert human services delivered by selfless people. We operate as a "double bottom-line" company- with both business and humanitarian goals. And when in conflict- every employee knows that our mission goals come before our business goals. Our "mission before business" culture allows us to attract a special breed of selfless staff- providing the government fast, hardworking people.

Association of the US Army (AUSA)

AUSA is a private, non-profit educational organization that supports America's Army - Active, National Guard, Reserve, Civilians, Retirees, Government Civilians, Wounded Warriors, Veterans, and family members. AUSA provides numerous Professional Development Opportunities at a variety of events both local and national.

Bozzuto Group

Headquartered in the Washington, D.C. area, The Bozzuto Group is a diversified residential real estate company consisting of six integrated companies – Acquisitions, Construction, Development, Homebuilding, Land Development and Property Management – that together provide a broad range of real estate services throughout the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast. The company is committed to providing quality housing for individuals of all income levels, producing everything from luxury homes and apartments to affordable housing solutions. Throughout The Bozzuto Group's more than 24-year history, the company has developed, acquired and built more than 35,000 homes and apartments. The firm and its principals have been honored with numerous industry awards and accolades, including having been recognized by the NAHB as the nation's premier apartment development company, twice as management company of the year and for the fourth year in a row, as "One of the Best Places to Work" in the DC Metro area by the Washington Business Journal.

For more information, please visit http://www.bozzuto.com.

Centurian Security

Centurian Security in Monaca, PA is a private company categorized under Protective Devices, Security. Established in 2007 and incorporated in Pennsylvania provide products or services for constructions site, security auditing, security assessments, security planning and outside security lighting.

Clear Channel

With 237 million monthly listeners in the U.S., Clear Channel Radio has the largest reach of any radio or television outlet in America. Clear Channel Radio serves 150 cities through 850 owned radio stations and an additional 100 cities and 4000 stations through its syndicated products. The DC/Baltimore cluster operates 9 stations in the area.

Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC)

CNIC supports the Fleet, Fighter, and Family Center. Their mission is to deliver effective and efficient readiness from the shore. Their vision is to be the sole provider of shore capability, to sustain the Fleet, enable the Fighter, and support the Family.

Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA)

DoDEA is a field activity of the Office of the Secretary of Defense whose mission is to plan, direct, coordinate, and manage the education programs for eligible dependents of U.S. military personnel and civilian personnel of the DoD. DoDEA's mission statement, "Providing an Exemplary Education that Inspires and Prepares All Students for Success in a Dynamic, Global Environment" is pursued through DoDEA's instructional program that provides a comprehensive prekindergarten through 12th grade curriculum that is competitive with that of any school system in the United States. DoDEA maintains a high school graduation rate of approximately 97 percent. DoDEA has had some graduating classes earn more than \$35 million in scholarships and grants.

East Carolina University

East Carolina University has a proud heritage. From their early days as a school for training teachers to their present status as a national doctoral research university, they have continually served their region with quality and commitment since 1907. Their commitment is an expression of their motto, Servire "To Serve." They believe that no university has done a better job of public service than East Carolina University, and they will continue to be a national model for how to use university resources for the greater public good. As they conclude their first century, they have emerged as a national doctoral university that remains committed to the three traditional missions of the public university: service, teaching, and research. Their enrollment is approaching twenty-six thousand students, and we have been the fastest-growing university in North Carolina for five years. We take great pride in the record of achievement and success that has been established by their many alumni. They remember the many hardfought victories that make up the storied tradition of Pirate athletics. We are proud of our national and international leadership in medicine, health sciences, and teacher preparation. they are proud of our award-winning excellence in the visual and performing arts. Above all, we are proud of the vital contributions our people and programs have made for the betterment of North Carolina.

Elbit Systems of America (ESA)

Elbit Systems of America is a U.S.-based innovative provider focused on tailoring and integrating leading edge solutions for the defense, commercial aviation, homeland security and medical instrumentation industries. Founding in 1991, ESA has more than 2,200 employees and generates annual revenues exceeding \$1B. ESA operates under a Special Security Agreement and is a wholly owned subsidiary of Elbit Systems Limited, headquartered in Haifa, Israel.

Goodwill Industries

Goodwill Industries International enhances the dignity and quality of life of individuals, families and communities by eliminating barriers to opportunity and helping people in need reach their fullest potential through the power of work.

H2 Performance Consulting

H2 Performance Consulting is a management consulting firm centered on improving business and technology performance for government and commercial clients. H2PC professional have a sterling reputation as experts and trusted advisors in program and project management. The company also has substantial experience in acquisition support, organizational change management, SharePoint deployment and services and training development and delivery. This coupled with significant industry consulting and military experience, culminates in a powerhouse of consulting delivery capability.

Humana

Humana Inc. headquartered in Louisville Kentucky is the leading health care company that offers a wide range of insurance products and health wellness services that incorporate an integrated approach to lifelong well-being. By leveraging the strengths of its core businesses, Humana believes it can better explore opportunities for existing and emerging adjacencies in health care that can further enhance wellness opportunities for the millions of people across the nation with whom the company has relationships.

L-3 STRATIS

L-3 is a prime contractor in Command, Control, Communications, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (C3ISR) systems, aircraft modernization and maintenance, and government services. L-3 is also a leading provider of a broad range of electronic systems used on military and commercial platforms. Their customers include the U.S. Department of Defense and its prime contractors, U.S. Government intelligence agencies, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Department of State, U.S. Department of Justice, allied foreign governments, domestic and foreign commercial customers and select other U.S. federal, state and local government agencies.

Liberating Career Solutions

Liberating Career Solutions has partnered with Arise to hire independent contractors to work from home. They are working vigorously to bring jobs back to the United States and virtual call centers is one of the best ways to do so. Contractors choose the client they work for, when they work, and for how many hours they work. Clients consist of Fortune 500 companies that are all household names. This is a great opportunity for those seeking part-time, full-time, or something just to supplement their current income. Employment Offered: Customer Service, Sales, and Tech support jobs are available servicing Fortune 500 companies. Full-time and Part-time.

Marine Corps Community Services

Responsible for providing policy, plans, resources, and direct support to Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS) field activities for certain non-appropriated fund management and oversight functions, such as accounting, information technology, and construction. MCCS delivers goods and services at over 2250 facilities and has a staff of more than 13000 employees worldwide.

MetLife

MetLife, Inc. is a leading global provider of insurance, annuities and employee benefit programs, serving 90 million customers in over 50 countries. Through its subsidiaries and affiliates, MetLife holds the leading market positions in the United States, Japan, Latin America, Asia Pacific, Europe and the Middle East.

Mid-Atlantic HERC

The Mid-Atlantic HERC is a collaborative effort developed by Loyola University Maryland, University of Richmond, National Institutes of Health, and Washington & Lee University. With over 65 member institutions, the consortium aims to improve academic recruitment and retention, with a special emphasis on facilitating dual-career appointments and enhancing diversity. By enhancing information, resources, networking, and outreach programs, Mid-Atlantic HERC institutions gain support in their efforts to attract diverse and qualified faculty, staff, and administrators.

MTCI

As a Woman-Owned, Small Business, MTCI has been "Maximizing Human Potential" for over a decade. They specialize in professional training, training analysis, resiliency training, curriculum design and development, recruiting and staffing solutions, logistics support, and IT services for government and corporate clients.

Safeway (Vons)

Aside from being one of the largest food and drug retailers in Northern America, Safeway has an extensive network of distribution, manufacturing and food processing facilities. Safeway's subsidiaries include Blackhawk Network which provides gift and

prepaid cards. Other brands affiliated with are: Vons, Dominick's, Randall's, Tom Thumb, Genoradis, Pavilions, and Carr's.

Schwan's Food Co.

The Schwan Food Company is a multibillion-dollar private company with approximately 16000 employees in the United States. Based out of Minnesota, they sell fine, branded frozen food through home delivery, the foodservices industry and grocery stores in North America.

Southern Company.

A leading U.S. producer of electricity, Southern Company businesses include electric utilities in four states and growing competitive generation company, as well as fiber optics and wireless communications. Southern Company brands are known for excellent customer service, high reliability and retail electric prices that are below the national average

TASC

Leading advanced systems engineering, integration and decision-support Services Company; founded in 1966. They deliver sophisticated national security and public safety solutions. Over \$1.5 billion in annual revenue; more than 300 federal contracts in intelligence, defense, homeland security and aviation.

Terra Health

Terra Health Inc. is nationally recognized for achieving exceptional results through its solution support services. Many of THI's consultants are leaders or former senior staff in government, research, healthcare, bio-security, finance, and many other fields. They give every task and project the same exemplary attention to detail and priority you require, with their goal always to exceed the highest expectations that you demand.

The Bowen Group

Founded in 2005, The Bowen Group is a Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business providing professional management services and operational support to the federal government. Since its inception, the company has enjoyed great success and developed a reputation for delivering high quality professional services at competitive prices. Their commitment to excellence and service to others has resulted in successful partner-client relationships that span multiple contracts and projects. They are proud that 100% of our business engagements have resulted in repeat business. They help their clients meet challenges and achieve their goals by delivering exceptional service from dedicated and experienced employees...on time and on budget. They are very passionate and committed to empowering individuals and communities through their core practice areas.

The Major Group

The Major Group strategically partners with online content providers and educational institutions to create career training programs to use in conjunction with education funding options. The Major Group is comprised primarily of military spouses. They use personal and professional contacts to expand their business growth while providing flexible, portable job opportunities for military spouses. The vast population of military spouses benefit greatly from available resources. The Major Group strives to connect with military spouses to increase their team size and share resource opportunities.

Tri-West

Tri-West Healthcare Alliance provides access to high-quality health care for 2.9 million military members, retirees and their families in 21 states in the western United States. Approximately 850 of our 1,725 employees are connected to the military – whether as veterans, military spouses, active duty families, or National Guard and Reserve members.

Ultimate Medical Academy

They are a leader in providing short term Allied Healthcare diploma and degree programs through an online environment. Many spouses of service members attend several of programs on the following areas: medical billing, pharmacy technician, health information technology and much more.

URS

URS Corporation is a fully integrated engineering, construction and technical services organization with the capabilities to support every stage of the project life cycle—from inception through start-up and operation to decommissioning and closure. They offer program management; planning, design and engineering; systems engineering and technical assistance; construction and construction management; operations and maintenance; and decommissioning and closure services. They are located in more than 40 countries, providing services to a broad range of clients around the world, including U.S. federal government agencies, national governments of other countries, state and local government agencies in the United States and internationally, and private sector clients worldwide representing a wide variety of industries. Their work is focused in four key market sectors: federal, infrastructure, power, and industrial and commercial. Within each of these markets, their comprehensive skills and expertise are a valued resource to clients around the world.

US Bank

U.S. Bancorp, with \$341 billion in assets as of March 31, 2012, is the parent company of U.S. Bank, the fifth largest commercial bank in the United States. The company operates 3,085 banking offices in 25 states and provides a comprehensive list of banking, mortgage, trust and payment services products. U.S. Bank is also one of America's most committed corporate supporters of the military and military families. Through its

Proud to Serve program, U.S. Bank focuses on hiring and supporting veterans and their families. Proud to Serve touches U.S. Bank's employee veterans, 63,000-plus employees, as well as many community-based military service organizations.

USA Cares

Founded in 2003, USA Cares helps bear the burdens of services by providing Post 9/11 military families and veterans with financial and advocacy support in their time of need. Assistance is provided to all branches of services and all ranks while protecting the privacy and dignity of those who request help. USA Cares has helped families in all 50 states and has received over 34000 request for assistance, responding with over \$8.4 million in direct grants, providing "A hand up-not a hand out" to those who serve America.

Volt Workforce Solutions

Volt's parent company "Volt Information Sciences, Inc.", was founded in 1950 and began offering contingent workforce services in 1956 as a talent supplier to the technical publishing industry. Today, Volt has grown to become a global service organization with businesses in contingent and direct talent acquisition, recruitment process outsourcing (RPO), telecommunications and information services, and electronic publication and imaging systems.

Current MSEP Partner Companies

3M Fort Hood National Bank Adecco NorthAmerica Fort Sill National Bank

Affiliated Computer Servcies (ACS, Inc.) GEICO

Amazon General Dynamics – OTS American Hospital Service Group George Mason University

American Red Cross Hitachi Consulting

Armed Forces Bank HR Block

Army and Air Force Exchange Service Humana Military Healthcare Services

(AAFES) Hyatt
Army Career and Alumni Program ICS
(ACAP) INOVA

Army Civilian Personnel Office Jackson Hewitt

Association of Military Banks of Johns Hopkins Medicine

America Johnson Controls
AT&T Kelly Services
Bank of America KGB

Black & Veatch Korea Chamber of Commerce and

Booz Allen Hamilton Industry (KCCI)
Bradley-Morris, Inc. Lockheed Martin

Bright Horizons Family Solutions Lowe's

CACI Manpower, Inc.
Care.com ManTech International Technology

CareerStep Solution Group
Central Texas College McKesson

ChaCha Search, Inc. Microsoft

Citi Military Officers Association of America Computer Sciences Corporation (CSC) (MOAA)

Concentra, Inc.

National Military Family Association
Navy Exchange

CVS Caremark Navy Federal Credit Union

Davita NEW NEW

Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA)

Northrop Grumman

Dell, Inc.

RGIS

DialAmerica Rollins
DISH Network Corporation SAIC

Dominion Sears Holding Corporation EMC Service Credit Union

Emergent Contact Solutions Sitter City
EURPAC Service, Inc. Social Security Administration

Express Scripts Starbucks

Fidelity Information Services (FIS) Sterling Medical

STGi

Strategic Resources, Inc (SRI)

Synovus

Teletech Services Corporation

The Heritage Bank The Home Depot

TJX

Toys R Us/Babies R Us

Troop Swap Tutor.com United Services Automobile Association

(USAA)

United States Chamber of Commerce

United Health Group

Verizon Wal-mart

West Corporation

Wittenberg Weiner Consulting

Woosong University Zeiders Enterprises