



# Preparing Military Service Members for Transition and Providing Pathways into the Restaurant Industry

The NRAEF supports active, guard and reserve military members, military spouses, dependent children and veterans with their transition out of the military after separating or retiring from duty. This support includes the Foundation's work to:

- Provide pathways to help service members and their families transition into civilian life
- Train service members to hone their skills
- Honor service members by recognizing the best in foodservice operations through the Travelers program

Following a rigorous ranking process, the best foodservice operations are recognized at a special awards ceremony hosted during the National Restaurant Association Show in Chicago.

## PROGRAM BENEFITS:

- Educates service members on a variety of jobs and careers available to them across the industry and conducts training through mentoring roundtables, workshops and educational sessions led by industry leaders
- Participates in the Department of Defense's Military Spouse Employment Partnership
- Recruits volunteer industry professionals to act as Civilian Military Travelers to visit military installations around the globe and evaluate dining facilities for food quality, food safety, cost effectiveness and general operating procedures
- Honor service members by recognizing the best in foodservice operations through the Travelers program, where the best operations are recognized at a special awards ceremony hosted during the National Restaurant Association Show in Chicago

## KEY STATS

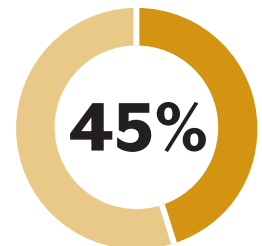


# 14%

Veterans Who Hold Management Positions in the Restaurant Industry

# 250K

Veteran Currently Working in Restaurants



Veterans More Likely to Start a Small Business Compared to Non-veterans

# 6 Million

Veteran-owned Businesses

## Get Involved!



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