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Miller: VRAP Demand Indicative of Success and Need

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Today, Rep. Jeff Miller, Chairman of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, issued the following statement on the approval of 45,000 veterans for the [Veterans Retraining Assistance Program](#), and the opportunity for 54,000 more veterans to participate in the coming fiscal year beginning Monday to reach the goal of 99,000:

“Forty-five thousand unemployed veterans will soon begin, or have begun, school again, to learn a new trade through the [Veterans Retraining Assistance Program](#) (VRAP). As we close out the fiscal year, I want to express my gratitude to all who have worked to make this opportunity for our veterans a success within a very short period of time.

“On Monday, 54,000 more unemployed veterans, some of whom are already in the queue, will have the same opportunity—to be enrolled for one-year of benefits under the Montgomery GI Bill—in order to take the first step toward a new career ranging from ‘painters to programmers,’ to name just a few of the jobs that are in demand in today’s economy. As Secretary Shinseki said recently of VRAP, ‘[The surge of veterans applying for VRAP demonstrates this program’s importance to provide unemployed veterans the opportunity to find employment in high-demand fields.](#)’

“I encourage everyone to reach out to unemployed veterans, their families, and those in your community to spread the word. Having filled the first round of positions, the demand for VRAP is indicative of its success and need. VRAP is well on its way [to providing 99,000 unemployed veterans](#) the chance for a career in the next year.”

To apply for VRAP, please click [here](#).

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