State Representative La Shawn K. Ford

DAILY JOB LISTINGS

4800 W Chicago Ave,
Chicago, IL 60651
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816 S Oak Park Ave, Suite A
Oak Park, IL 60304
TEL: 708-445-FORD (3673)

Springfield Office
239-E Stratton Office Building
Springfield, IL 62706
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FAX: 217-557-4502

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01/07/2017

Job Title:	Grant Budget and Indirect Cost Support Staff
Agency:	Office of Management and Budget
Closing Date/Time:	Wed. 02/01/17 11:59 PM Central Time
Salary:	Depends on Qualifications
Job Type:	Exempt
Location:	Sangamon County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Bid ID#:	006

Candidates must have, at a minimum, a Bachelor's degree in Accounting or Economics or a Master's degree in Business Administration.

In addition, a successful candidate would have the following:

- Strong public finance background with experience reviewing budgets and financial reports including financial audits, Single Audits, and budget to actual reporting,
- Experience reviewing grant budgets for direct and indirect costs,
- Strong analytical capabilities to track performance measures and design monitoring and reporting systems,
- Software fluency must include Microsoft Excel, Word and Power-point. Experience with Microsoft Access is desirable.

E-mail: jobs.omb@illinois.gov

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Job Title:	Guardianship Representative (West Sub Office)
Agency:	Guardianship & Advocacy Commission
Closing Date/Time:	Mon. 01/09/17 5:00 PM Central Time
Salary:	$4,159.00 - $6,218.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Cook County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	2
Plan/BU:	RC062
Bid ID#:	17710-50-70-121-1003

Serves as a representative from the Office of State Guardian (OSG), a division of the Guardianship and Advocacy Commission to adult individuals whose disabilities hinder day to day management of personal and financial affairs; visits, assesses and counsels wards at scheduled intervals and travels to conduct visits; manages estate cases; investigates assets; prepares inventories and accounts; processes receipts and disbursements; answers inquiries from the general public

For more information, please refer to the Work4Illinois website at Work.Illinois.Gov and select 'Application Procedures'. Additional information may also be obtained from the Agency Contact listed above or by contacting CMS, Division of Examining and Counseling at Work4Illinois@Illinois.gov or (217) 782-7100, (217) 785-3979 (TDD/TTY), (800) 526-0844 (TTY Only).

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Job Title:	Office Assistant - Opt 1
Agency:	Human Services
Closing Date/Time:	Wed. 01/18/17 5:00 PM Central Time
Salary:	$2,782.00 - $3,781.00 monthly $33,384.00 - $45,372.00 annually
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Sangamon County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Plan/BU:	RC014
Bid ID#:	10-10-97087

Under general supervision, sets up operates and maintains a variety of computer driven, optic scanning inserting machines, various folders, MLOCR barcoding/sorting system, makes minor repairs and adjustments to machines.

Contact Info:
Bureau of Employee Services
Andrew Reagan
100 South Grand Ave East, 3rd floor
Springfield, IL 62762
217-557-0347
FAX: 217-524-2116

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Job Title:	Office Assistant - Opt 1
Agency:	Human Services
Closing Date/Time:	Wed. 01/18/17 5:00 PM Central Time
Salary:	$2,782.00 - $3,781.00 monthly $33,384.00 - $45,372.00 annually
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Sangamon County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Plan/BU:	RC014
Bid ID#:	10-10-97088

Under general supervision, performs a variety of general clerical duties in the Inserting Service related to the receipt, verification and distribution of a wide variety of policy releases, client documents, payrolls, billings and other highly confidential materials. Performs mail room duties such as use and repair of non-intelligent inserters for daily correspondence, bar coding and sorting systems,. Operates and maintains labeling and sorting for mass mailing and the processing of computer generated listings and maintains distribution files. Delivers and picks up mail within the Industrial Park Complex.

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Job Title:	Office Assistant - Opt 1
Agency:	Human Services
Closing Date/Time:	Continuous
Salary:	$2,845.00 - $3,519.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Statewide, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Bid ID#:	E-HCD Continuous

Under general supervision, reviews complex materials which includes resumes for clients, weekly and monthly statistical reports, minutes of monthly unit meetings, and confidential materials such as staff performance evaluations; prepares checks for carfare for clients seeking employment; balances check book.

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Job Title:	Dietitian (Upward Mobility Target Title)
Agency:	Human Services
Closing Date/Time:	Wed. 01/18/17 5:00 PM Central Time
Salary:	$3,878.00 - $5,212.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Cook County Zone 3, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	01
Plan/BU:	RC062
Bid ID#:	10-72-99406

Under general supervision, interprets diet prescriptions and plans and prepares modified diets and menus; directs facility personnel in the preparation and serving of foods; assists in developing nutritional educational programs and teaches basic food and nutrition principles to facility personnel; may participate in dietetic research programs and projects. Maintains a continuing review of nutrition records for each resident

AGENCY CONTACT
Alice M. Chambers
Human Resources Representative
Elisabeth Ludeman Center
114 N. Orchard Drive
Park Forest, IL 60466
708-283-3015

01/07/2017

Job Title:	Office Assistant - Opt 2
Agency:	Children & Family Services
Closing Date/Time:	Wed. 01/18/17 5:00 PM Central Time
Salary:	$2,782.00 - $3,781.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Cook County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Plan/BU:	RC014
Bid ID#:	1713001-133216

Under general supervision, performs a variety of difficult and responsible clerical functions to support the Licensing Processing Unit, including typing notices, filing, data entry, and mailings associated with the 385 Unit.

CONTACT:
Zack Booher
10 Collinsville Ave, Suite 301
East St. Louis, IL 62201
Phone: 618-583-2193
Fax: 618-583-2059
Zackary.Booher@illinois.gov

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Job Title:	Office Assistant - Opt 2
Agency:	State Police
Closing Date/Time:	Continuous
Salary:	$2,939.00 - $3,634.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Will County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Plan/BU:	RC014
Bid ID#:	21-43-ISP08-C002

Performs a variety of complex data entry and clerical functions, utilizing a number of general office procedures related to the processing of criminal and noncriminal justice submissions. Will be assigned to work unit within the civil and criminal processing section. Performs routine and complex data entry functions related to the criminal history record identification program utilizing a variety of screen formats.

Contact:
Public Safety Shared Services Center
1301 Concordia Court
Post Office Box 19278
Springfield, Illinois 62794-9278
Phone: 217.557.6015

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Job Title:	Office Clerk - Opt 1
Agency:	Human Services
Closing Date/Time:	Tue. 01/17/17 5:00 PM Central Time
Salary:	$2,636.00 - $3,557.00 monthly $31,632.00 - $42,684.00 annually
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Cook County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Plan/BU:	RC014
Bid ID#:	10-91-99282

Under direct supervision, performs routine to moderately difficult clerical duties; alphabetizes, files and answers questions concerning case records and related controls; serves as mail and stock clerk.

Please submit CMS 100 (revised 10/2014) applications and bid form to:
Bureau of Employee Services
Bonita Jones
100 South Grand Ave East, 3rd floor
Springfield, IL 62762
217-557-0347
FAX: 217-524-2116

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Job Title:	Office Clerk - Opt 1
Agency:	Human Services
Salary:	$2,694.00 - $3,311.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Statewide, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Bid ID#:	A-HCD Continuous

Under general supervision, verifies the accuracy of authorizations of assistance; posts case status changes to financial control cards; processes authorizations and submits them to Springfield and according to strict time schedule; maintains control on case actions to be taken by casework staff.

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Job Title:	Building Services Worker
Agency:	Central Management Services
Closing Date/Time:	Thu. 01/12/17 5:00 PM Central Time
Salary:	$2,951.00 - $3,934.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Cook County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Plan/BU:	HR001
Bid ID#:	CMS 13614

Under immediate supervision, performs non-skilled cleaning tasks and minor manual labor in the James R. Thompson Center (JRTC); responds to calls during normal working hours; maintains all office, lobby, restrooms, recreational and surrounding grounds requiring janitorial care; manually unloads janitorial supplies from supply trucks. Makes minor repairs and performs minor manual labor when needed in the building and surrounding grounds. Completes written reports/logs for daily assigned tasks. Assists the facility staff in performing light security duties.

Agency Contact:
CMS Internal Personnel/HR/Hiring
401 S. Spring Street Room 414
Springfield, IL 62706
217-558-3093
217-558-5943 Fax

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Job Title:	Building/Grounds Maintenance Worker
Agency:	Military Affairs, Department of
Closing Date/Time:	Wed. 01/18/17 11:59 PM Central Time
Salary:	$3,371.00 - $4,826.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Peoria County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	2
Plan/BU:	RC042
Bid ID#:	17-020

EXAMPLE OF WORK: Under direct supervision, regularly performs a variety of semi-skilled labor or building mechanical work below the journeyman level and may directly assist skilled craftsmen; or operates heavy equipment, as required, in the maintenance of the facility and grounds.

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Job Title:	Child Protection Specialist
Agency:	Children & Family Services
Salary:	$4,377.00 - $6,581.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Vermilion County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	5
Plan/BU:	RC062
Bid ID#:	1636500

Under direction of the team supervisor, receives and investigates reports of physical and sexual abuse and neglect reported by mandated and other sources; assesses immediate safety and risk factors of involved children and takes necessary protection action; makes recommendations about investigative findings

SUBMIT BIDS TO:
Patty Gideonsen
5415 N University Ave
Suite 103
Peoria, IL 61614
Fax: 309-693-5316

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Job Title:	Child Protection Specialist
Agency:	Children & Family Services
Salary:	$4,377.00 - $6,581.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Peoria County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	5
Plan/BU:	RC062
Bid ID#:	1632500

Under direction of the team supervisor, receives and investigates reports of physical and sexual abuse and neglect reported by mandated and other sources; assesses immediate safety and risk factors of involved children and takes necessary protection action; makes recommendations about investigative findings; implements short-term services, including concrete services directly or through family advocates; on a rotating basis, assigned to 24 hour "on call" duty in addition to normal assignments

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Job Title:	Child Protection Specialist
Agency:	Children & Family Services
Salary:	$4,377.00 - $6,581.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Knox County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	5
Plan/BU:	RC062
Bid ID#:	1632501

Under direction of the team supervisor, receives and investigates reports of physical and sexual abuse and neglect reported by mandated and other sources; assesses immediate safety and risk factors of involved children and takes necessary protection action; makes recommendations about investigative findings; implements short-term services, including concrete services directly or through family advocates; on a rotating basis, assigned to 24 hour "on call" duty in addition to normal assignments

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Fax: 309-693-5316

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Job Title:	Child Protection Specialist
Agency:	Children & Family Services
Closing Date/Time:	Thu. 01/19/17 5:00 PM Central Time
Salary:	$4,377.00 - $6,581.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	McLean County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Plan/BU:	RC062
Bid ID#:	1736001-364939

Under direction of the team supervisor, receives and investigates reports of physical and sexual abuse and neglect reported by mandated and other sources; assesses immediate safety and risk factors of involved children and takes necessary protection action; makes recommendations about investigative findings; implements short-term services, including concrete services directly or through family advocates; on a rotating basis, assigned to 24 hour "on call" duty

Contact:
Patty Gideonsen
5415 N. University
Peoria, IL 61604
Phone: 309-693-5416
Fax: 309-693-5316
Email: Patty.Gideonsen@illinois.gov

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Job Title:	Civil Engineer IV - Bridge Liaison Engineer
Agency:	Transportation
Closing Date/Time:	Fri. 01/20/17 4:30 PM Central Time
Salary:	$5,800.00 - $7,515.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Cook County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Bid ID#:	IPR#40988

The Bridge Liaison Engineer is accountable for the design and preparation of plans, and specifications for minor highway structures such as single cell box culverts, multi-cell precast box culverts, pipe headwalls, drainage junction chambers, drainage systems, minor bridge repair, and small conventional retaining walls; ensures these plans are prepared in conformance with departmental policies, procedures and specifications, and are completed within a designated time limit in order to make letting dates; and assigns, negotiates, reviews and coordinates work performed by the district's Structural Various-Various consultant

Technical Applications (PM 1080 rev 9/19/16) **must be received** by the Bureau of Personnel Management, Room 113, 2300 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield, IL 62764 (Fax# 217/557-3134) or emailed to DOT.CO.BPM.EmploymentApplications@Illinois.gov by Friday January 20, 2017, 4:30 p.m.

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Job Title:	Civil Engineer V - Concrete Technology Engineer
Agency:	Transportation
Closing Date/Time:	Fri. 01/20/17 4:30 PM Central Time
Salary:	$6,315.00 - $8,263.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Sangamon County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Bid ID#:	IPR#41270

This position is accountable for the assurance of high quality portland cement concrete in pavements and structures for the Department through supervision, technical guidance, development and implementation of concrete quality management programs.

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Job Title:	Data Processing Technician (Upward Mobility Target Title)
Agency:	Employment Security
Closing Date/Time:	Thu. 01/19/17 11:59 PM Central Time
Salary:	$3,027.00 - $4,223.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Cook County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Plan/BU:	RC028
Bid ID#:	RCRA 11789

Under the general supervision of the Production Control Manager, or lead operator, performs technical and clerical functions necessary o ensure the timely and accurate processing of the production job schedules. Prepares processing schedules, edits JCL, transmits tapes and carts to conform to the master production schedule. Monitors and reviews all job executed to ensure successful completion and prepares reports, balance jobs, and records in accordance with the established procedures. Works at a specified time and on Saturdays/Holidays, as required in compliance with the rotating schedules

Applicants must be deemed qualified or have submitted an application to CMS to receive a qualifying Promotional grade.

APPLICANTS THAT ARE NOT CURRENTLY CERTIFIED STATE EMPLOYEES MUST APPLY PER THE INSTRUCTIONS BELOW. PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TO THIS AGENCY.

Testing & Grading questions can be directed to:
CMS - 312-793-3565 (Chicago) or 217-524-1321 (Springfield)

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Job Title:	Employment Security Program Representative - Opt SS (Upward Mobility Target Title)
Agency:	Employment Security
Closing Date/Time:	Mon. 01/09/17 5:00 PM Central Time
Salary:	$3,647.00 - $5,432.00 monthly
Job Type:	Full-Time
Location:	Kane County, Illinois
Number of Vacancies:	1
Plan/BU:	RC062
Bid ID#:	RCRA 11787

Under general supervision, for an assigned area, assesses and addresses client Unemployment Insurance and Wagner-Peyser service needs. Provides services related to the processing of claims for unemployment insurance benefits, including but not limited to interstate, military, other federal or trade readjustment; conducts benefit right interviews; provides orientation and clarifies eligibility factors; adjudicates minor benefit claim issues.

WHERE TO APPLY:
IDES Recruitment & Selection
Attn: Don Motley
607 E Adams St. - 8th Floor
Springfield, IL 62701
PH: (217) 524-2980
Fax: (217) 524 -3472

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Testing is offered on easy to use touch screen computers. Applicants are allowed at least 90 minutes to answer the questions on automated tests. On tests with a larger number of questions or more complex questions (Human Resources Assistant & Associate; Data Processing Specialist & Administrative Specialist; Disability Claims Adjudicator Trainee; Insurance Analyst II; Revenue Tax Specialist Trainee; Social Services Career Trainee; Telecommunicate Trainee), more time is allowed to complete the exam.

Public use copiers are not available at the Assessment Centers. Therefore, it is important that applicants bring with them copies of their application for each title and test option for which they want to test.

Chicago Office:
James R. Thompson Center
100 W. Randolph, Suite 3-300
Chicago, IL 60601-3220
(312) 793-3565 (voice)
Illinois Relay Center 800) 526-0844

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY ONLY -- Flexible Schedule Testing Check in time for tests - clerical and non-clerical is anytime between 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

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What is the CTA Second Chance Program?

The CTA Second Chance Program is an initiative offered in conjunction with the City of Chicago and social service agencies throughout the city. Working closely with the Department of Family and Support Services, hard-to-place individuals are given an opportunity to obtain full-time employment and training which may enable a start of a long-term, meaningful career.

How to apply

Jobseekers need to actively participate in one of the 13 designated agencies' work readiness programs. The CTA Second Chance program is in regular communication with the agencies listed below. The agencies' top participants are referred to CTA for the bus servicer and rail car servicer Second Chance positions.

Click Here For the 13 Designated Agencies

What are the eligibility requirements and qualifications?

- Job seekers interested in participating must:
  - Reside within the City of Chicago
  - Be 18 years or older
  - Participate in 8-10 weeks of Job Readiness Training and obtain a certificate of completion from one of the13 referring agencies.
- Second Chance participants that are referred are required to be released from the following:
  - House arrest (wearing metal band/bracelet)
  - Drug/alcohol program (i.e. Methadone treatment)
  - Work release center
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How many Second Chance positions are available?

Up to 265 Second Chance participants may be employed by CTA in one calendar year. Start and end dates per Second Chance participant are on a rolling basis.

How long does the program last?

Based on job performance and attendance, a participant may serve for 12 months or more.

How much does the program pay?

Participants are paid at a rate of $10.00 per hour and may work up to 40 hours per week. Pay checks are issued on a bi-weekly pay period.

How is a participant selected?

As positions become available, CTA contacts the referring agencies. Referring agencies recommend applicants who they have screened and who have successfully completed the job readiness program.

Once the referring agency recommends an applicant, what happens?

- Applicants are fingerprinted for background processing.
- Applicants complete a medical review.
- If the applicant passes background and medical what are the next steps?
  - Orientation/pre-hire
    - Applicants attend a new employee orientation thoroughly outlining program guidelines, eligibility requirements, job functions, placements, and Union participation.
    - Completion of all hiring documentation and application inserts
  - Training

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- Participants are required to complete a (paid) safety training prior to reporting to assigned work location.

  - The overall performance and attendance/tardiness of each apprentice is scored.
  - Supervisors and apprentices are required to review the scoring of the evaluations, solicit feedback and address any questions or concerns.
- Agencies provide individual case management on each apprentice and maintain periodic contact.

What happens when the participant successfully completes the program?

- Participants in good standing receive a certificate of completion and letter of reference from CTA.
- Providing there are no additional arrests or convictions on the participant's record, the Second Chance program participant is encouraged to apply for CTA vacancies.

Who can you call if you have questions?

If you still have questions about this program, you can contact the CTA Second Chance Hotline

- 312-681-2293.

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Uber Driver Partner (Choose Your Own Hours)

WHO WE ARE:

Drive with Uber and get paid INSTANTLY in fares by helping our community of riders get around town. Driving with Uber is a great way to earn cash on your schedule. The more you drive, the more you can earn. It's simple and perfect for those looking for seasonal, work from home, entry level, temporary, or any type of part time opportunities. And now, with Instant Pay, you can drive and instantly transfer your earnings to your bank account. There's no minimum on the amount you can withdraw, and you can cash out up to 5 times a day!

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

- **Earn Great Money:** The more you drive, the more you earn.
- **Flexible Schedule:** Make your own schedule as a contractor – any time day or night.
- **Getting Started is Easy:** Signing up is quick & easy – no experience required!
- **Get Paid Weekly:** Get checks deposited into your bank account weekly.

- You're at least 21 years' old
- You have a 4-door vehicle
- You have a driver's license and insurance
- You're friendly and excited to earn money on your schedule!

SIGN UP TO DRIVE: QUESTIONS? CALL 888-653-1610

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10 REASONS TO CONSIDER JOINING THE ARMED FORCES

Whether you are considering the military out of a sense of Patriotism or duty, for action and adventure, or for a steady job in a depressed economy, there is something for everyone. Here are 10 reasons the military may be a good fit for you.

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1. Patriotism, defending our nation, and a sense of duty. Military service is a time-honored way to serve others first. Walter Reuther is quoted as saying, "There is no greater calling than to serve your fellow men. There is no greater contribution than to help the weak. There is no greater satisfaction than to have done it well." (Source). This quote sums up what it means to serve. When you join the military, you learn the true meaning of service.

2. Jobs in a down economy. The US has experienced a difficult economy over the last few years, including high levels of unemployment, rising costs, and the outsourcing of many jobs. If you are looking for employment, consider the military, which continues to offer jobs for those who are qualified medically and academically, and who do not have an extensive criminal record.

3. Pay and benefits. A new second lieutenant starts at over $36,000 a year plus full benefits, not including added monthly allowances of up to $3,000, depending on where he or she is stationed. An enlisted person starts at around $20,000 a year plus full benefits, not including added monthly allowances of up to $1,500 depending on where he or she is stationed. Enlistment and re-enlistment bonuses can be over $20,000. After serving only 3 years, some nuclear trained enlisted members in the Navy receive bonuses of $90,000 for re-enlisting. Student loans can be relieved by up to $65,000. The military is also one of the few places where you can get a full pension after serving 20 years or more. Military can reach 50-75% of the average of your final three years base salary. In some instances, you can receive more than 75% of your base pay in retirement.

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4. Full medical coverage for you and your family. Military members are immediately eligible for full health care benefits for themselves and their immediate family members as soon as they enter the service, and if you stay through until retirement, you and your family can take these benefits with you when you leave the military. These health benefits extend to immediate family (e.g. spouses and children, and sometimes dependent parents). You may also be eligible for temporary military healthcare benefits after you leave the service.

5. Skills and training. The military provides advanced technical training in a variety of career fields and also offers opportunities for additional training when you are off-duty. Many military members are able to attend college that is often paid for by tuition assistance. You can use your training opportunities to advance within your career field, earn certifications or degrees, or prepare yourself to transition back into civilian life.

6. Leadership opportunities. Military leadership is a great way to get your resume for your next career. If you were to hire someone, would you want to hire someone with proven skills and experience and a degree, or someone right out of high school/college? Give me the experienced professional any day of the week! (More tips for creating your post-military resume).

7. Travel opportunities and vacation time. The military has installations all around the world and pays for you and your family to get there and back. Your off duty time is yours and you are free to travel and see the world. The military gives you 30 days of paid leave per year, not including weekends and federal holidays, depending on your job.

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Benefits after Leaving the Service

8. Education opportunities after you leave the military. The new GI Bill pays veterans who served at least 36 months a monthly living stipend and full tuition to pay for college, after they leave the military. Depending on how long the service member commits, this GI Bill can be transferred to spouses and children.

9. Buy a home with no money down with a VA Loan. The Veterans Affairs office offers veterans a way to purchase a home with no money down through the VA Loan. This makes it easier to purchase a home while you are serving, or after you have left the service.

10. A military retirement is worth millions. An officer with 20 years of service, who earns over $100,000 per year, could retire with a pension of over $48,000 per year for life in his or her 40's and start a second career. Imagine earning over $4000 per month for the rest of one's life, starting at age 42. This equates to an accumulative pay of $480,000, $960,000, $1.4 million in 10, 20, and 30 years, respectively, in addition to having full health care coverage and an income from a second job, if desired. (Oh, and those numbers don't account for annual cost of living adjustments which increase your monthly pension).

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