

December 2020

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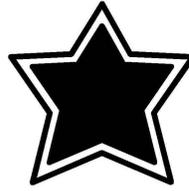
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NEWSLETTER



A MESSAGE FROM DARON HOGGATT

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR



Happy Holiday's!

I truly hope everyone is having a wonderful holiday time of the year. We have gone through a lot of changes in our country in 2020 and hopefully 2021 will be excellent for everyone! I am looking forward to what the future can hold!

November 2-6, 2020 was Veteran Owned Business week. I sent out a short questionnaire for nominations for VOB of the year. I received 62 nominations (a few were duplicates) and the results are in!

Congratulations

skills for **L.I.F.E.**[™]
FOUNDATION

Over the past 6 years this organization has not just delivered over 3000 hours of workshops annually, certified over 1200 service members and spouses, at four different military installations in three states, but connected each graduate to jobs, networks, resources, and tools for life. They have documented their results and continue to support service members, spouses, and veterans while expanding their programs statewide in Oklahoma in 2021, regionally in 2022, and nationally by 2023.

 The Winner Is...



The **Skills for L.I.F.E. Foundation** empowers transitioning service members, spouses, and veterans as they adapt to civilian life, offering resources for emotional, social, personal, and professional growth, creating a support network to a smoother transition for veterans and their families.

SUPER Pitch

Who Are We?

We are a dedicated diverse group of veterans and spouses who empower other transitioning military members, spouses, and veterans with the ***SUPER* (Hard + Soft) Skills** needed to transition in **L.I.F.E.**

What Do We Do?

Provide a DOD SkillsBridge Certified series of workshops, delivered in person, via phone, or video online preparing, mentoring, and coaching transitioning citizens.

What Is Our Mission?

Empower all transitioning military members, spouses, and veterans with the knowledge, resources, tools, and networks to be their ***SUPER* S.E.L.F.**

Something Special/Unique

Every member of our team has a unique and special story. Together we unite our strengths and weaknesses, successes, and defeats. We are human and believe in a world where all people can be their ***SUPER* S.E.L.F.**

***SUPER* S.E.L.F.**

Every human being has the ability to find happiness and fulfillment through personal growth. Focused on learning through audio, visual, and tactile interactive sessions, one can achieve all they are capable of and find meaning in a **L.I.F.E.** that is important to them.

Look & Listen: The first step toward self-discovery and future success is understanding who you are. By reflecting on your past experiences, evaluating your current situation, and gaining insight into your passions and motivations, you prepare your mind for your path in **L.I.F.E.**

Imagine: Gain a better understanding of your strengths, weaknesses, obstacles, and opportunities. You will pack your backpack with new tools and resources preparing you for your journey in **L.I.F.E.**

Focus: After reflecting in **Look & Listen**, and preparing for your journey in **Imagine**, it is now time to take action. You will create a plan, track your progress, assemble your support network, and take steps toward your future **L.I.F.E.**

Empower: Personal growth is a victory, but empowering others is the true sense of **L.I.F.E.** By sharing your knowledge, tools, resources, and networks, you will empower others to do the same.

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December Dates in History

DECEMBER 1, 2020 CIVIL AIR PATROL BIRTHDAY

Supporting America's communities with emergency response, diverse aviation and ground services, youth development and promotion of air, space and cyber power.

DECEMBER 7, 2020 PEARL HARBOR DAY

National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day, which is annually on December 7, commemorates the attack on Pearl Harbor, in Hawaii, during World War II. Many American service men and women lost their lives or were injured on December 7, 1941. National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day is also referred to as Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day or Pearl Harbor Day.

DECEMBER 13, 2020 NATIONAL GUARD BIRTHDAY

Even though it's not a federal holiday, the birthday of the U.S. National Guard — celebrated on December 13 — is an important event to note. Established in 1636, the National Guard is the oldest military organization in America. Its members serve during times of war and emergency. Take time to honor those who have protected our country for centuries.

DECEMBER 19, 2020 NATIONAL WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

National Wreaths Across America Day has a simple mission: "Remember fallen U.S. veterans; honor those who serve; and teach your children the value of freedom." This important day is an annual event that takes place every third Saturday in December at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as other cemeteries in the U.S., at sea, and abroad. Wreaths are laid as family and friends remember both those who made the ultimate sacrifice, and those who currently serve in the armed forces.

New Helpful Business Documents Online

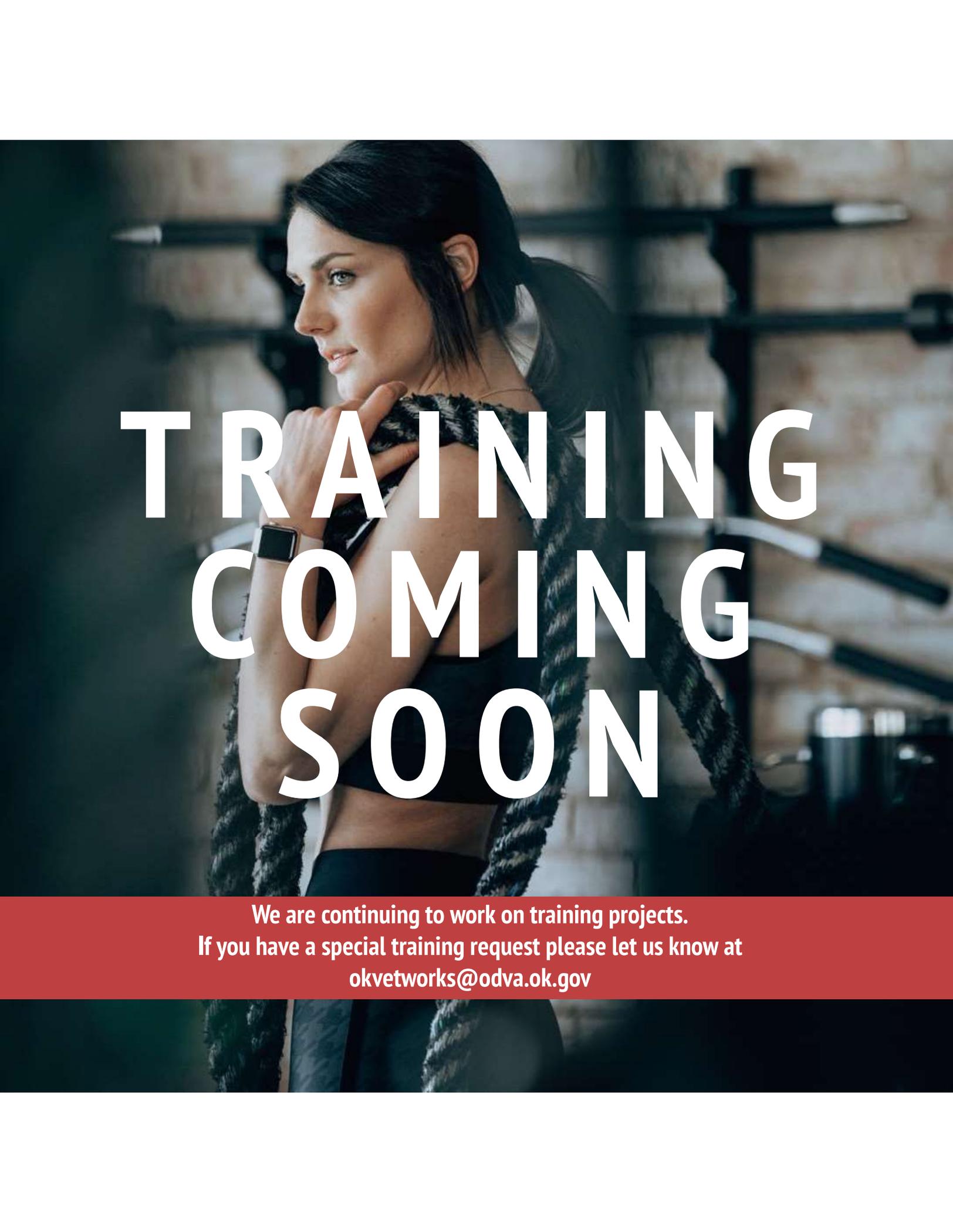


These documents include:

- Business Plan Templates**
- Business Start-up Plan Template**
- Marketing Plan Templates**
- SWOT Analysis Template**
- Entrepreneurship Resources for Veterans**
- Registering a Business in Oklahoma Guide**
- Steps to Doing Business with the Federal Government Guide**



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TRAINING COMING SOON

We are continuing to work on training projects.
If you have a special training request please let us know at
okvetworks@odva.ok.gov

This Months Featured Veteran Owned Businesses



Veterans Solutions 4 Life LLC

Veterans Solutions 4 Life, LLC is a veteran owned & operated company which specializes in employment placement, networking, credentialing & transitioning for veterans, service members and families- bridging the military community!

We are a certified, SDVOSB & HUBZone, Equal Employment employer, including females, minorities, protected Veterans, and those with disabilities.

- Network & engagement from anywhere in the world
- Face-to-Face engagement at local bases
- Resume support & interview preparation
- Myers Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI) & Career research
- Comprehensive Messaging Software
- Job Postings directly to the source/non-third party
- Two-way Funneling software
- Extensive experience in leveraging resources and programs to benefit the 250,000 transitioning service members and future veterans
- Online Cyber Security credentialing services



SEMPER FI HYDROSEED & EROSION CONTROL, LLC.



COMPANY OVERVIEW

Semper Fi Hydroseed & Erosion Control, LLC. Clint Bates started hydroseeding as an add on service of his formerly founded lawn and landscaping company C&J Lawn Patrol. Because of his acute attention to detail and drive for excellence, the hydroseeding arm of their company grew rapidly. In 2017, Clint, along with his wife Stephanie, sold C&J Lawn Patrol and founded Semper Fi Hydroseed & Erosion Control. Over the course of business, Clints strong work ethic and drive for perfection on every job has been the foundation for the company's success.

CORE COMPETENCIES

- Hydroseeding
- Erosion Control
- Waterbody Stabilization
- Soil Conditioning
- Drill Seeding
- Permanent Turf Reinforcement Mats (TRMS)

SAFETY
EXCELLENCE
MOTIVATION
PERFECTION
EXPERIENCE
RELIABILITY
FRIENDLY
INIATIVE



COMPANY SNAPSHOT

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Socio-Economic Factors: VOSB / CVE
Work Area: OK, AR, MO, KS, TX - Mobile and Global

ADVANTAGES OVER COMPETITION

- Marine Corps Leadership Experience
- Mobile and Global
- Reliable, extremely productive
- Soil test every job site
- 80% or greater germination rate
- Exceeds Industry Standards
- Combat Ready, they get it done
- Top of the Line Equipment, Regularly updated and maintained
- Employees are given extensive training and continuing education
- Uniformity
- Safety First, everything else will follow



OLD MILITARY ROAD

CROSSED HERE: FT. GIBSON (EST. 1824) TO FT. LEAVENWORTH. TWO CABIN CREEK BATTLES IN CIVIL WAR FOUGHT AT OLD FORD 5 MI., S.W. KETCHUM IS EAST 1.5 MI., THE FIRST STORE, 1860, AND A STAGE STAND WERE AT OLD SULPHUR SPRINGS CAMP GROUND NEAR HERE, N.E. OKLAHOMA HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION, 1954.

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