



# VETERANS EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

## WHAT ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE?

Financial assistance for qualified veterans who join a Registered Apprenticeship Program is available through the GI Bill®. The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the U.S. Department of Labor work together to make Registered Apprenticeship Programs **Approved for the GI Bill®**.

## WHO CAN BENEFIT?

Employers and veterans both benefit from the assistance provided by the GI Bill®. When a registered apprenticeship program is GI Bill® approved, qualified veterans have the financial flexibility to explore career opportunities and to join an apprenticeship program. The housing and the books/supplies stipends supplement the veteran's wages throughout the program. Employers understand that veterans are beneficial assets to an organization because of their proven leadership, strong work ethic, and ability to work well under pressure.

## WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS PAID DIRECTLY TO THE VETERAN?

Qualified veterans in a Registered Apprenticeship Program may use the GI Bill® benefit to receive a tax-free stipend for housing. The Post 9/11 GI Bill® for housing is equivalent to the Monthly Housing Allowance (MHA) of an E-5 with dependents. As the veteran's wages increase in the registered apprenticeship program, the stipend will decrease. Additionally, qualified veterans who enroll in an apprenticeship program are eligible for up to \$1,000 each academic year for books and supplies paid at the start of a benefit award period, and at the start of each academic year while in the apprenticeship program. For more details about the housing allowance and book/supplies stipend, visit the [Veteran's Administration website](#).

## SPONSOR APPROVAL FOR THE GI BILL®

- Register your apprenticeship program with the U.S. Department of Labor.
- Contact the VA's State Approving Agency (SAA) to learn the process for GI Bill® approval. To find your SAA, visit the National Association of State Approving Agencies [website](#). Your SAA acts as a conduit for the flow of information between the employer and the VA.
- Complete and send the required information to your SAA which will include:
  - Employer's Application to Provide Job Training [VA Form 22-8865](#)
  - Designation of Certifying Officials [VA Form 22-8794](#)
  - Registered Apprenticeship Program Standards including Appendix As
- Complete the required VA training at the direction of the SAA.

**IMPLEMENTING  
THE GI BILL®  
PROGRAM:**

- Complete and submit [VA Form 22-6553d-1](#) for each veteran on or after the last workday of every month.
- Maintain the following records for the VA and SAA to confirm that the training (related instruction) provided meets the GI Bill® requirements and that benefits have been properly paid:
  - Copy of the veteran's training file, including the Apprenticeship Agreement (ETA-671)
  - Hours worked each month and official payroll records
  - Work and training evaluations, including grades from related instruction
  - Copy of all GI Bill® related forms and letters, including the VA Certificate of Eligibility.

**CONTACT US:**

Our team at Adaptive Construction Solutions (ACS) can answer additional questions about Veterans Educational Assistance and the GI Bill®. Send an email to [info@GoApprenticeship.com](mailto:info@GoApprenticeship.com) and we will respond promptly.

