



# Veteran's Fact Sheet

## Arkansas

SBA supports veteran small business owners by empowering veterans through entrepreneurial training and mentoring, expanding access to capital and markets, and helping to break down barriers to entrepreneurial success:

### **SBA Arkansas Small Business Information Online**

- Find training & counseling partners across the state: [www.sba.gov/ar](http://www.sba.gov/ar).
- The 2016 Arkansas Resource Guide for Small Business: [www.sba.gov/Arkansas.pdf](http://www.sba.gov/Arkansas.pdf).

### **Boots to Business (B2B)**

- Boots to Business is an entrepreneurial education and training program offered by SBA as part of the Department of Defense's Transition Assistance Program (TAP).
- The B2B curriculum includes steps for evaluating business concepts, basic knowledge required to develop a business plan, and information on SBA resources available to access start-up capital and additional technical assistance.
- B2B is currently being offered quarterly at Little Rock Air Force Base Airman & Family Readiness Center. Registration: 501-987-2667.

### **REBoot to Business**

- Boots to Business REBoot extends the B2B program to all veterans including National Guard and Reserve Component Service members and their spouses.
- REBoot is currently being offered at Fort Chaffee, Arkansas Army National Guard Armed Forces Reserve Center, Barling, Arkansas. Phone: 479-484-3949 and at the Army Reserve Center, Bentonville. Phone: 479-795-1672.

### **Access to Capital:**

- SBA guarantees loans made by participating lenders. Loans up to \$50,000 can be provided by SBA microlenders.
- Reduced fees for veterans and eligible spouses are available under SBA's Veterans Advantage Program.
- You can find an SBA Approved Lender for your business at: [www.sba.gov/linc](http://www.sba.gov/linc).

### **Expand Your Business with Government Contracts:**

- The Arkansas Procurement Assistance Center (APAC) helps Arkansas companies sell their goods and services to federal, state or local government agencies: [www.uaex.edu/apac](http://www.uaex.edu/apac).
- Certify Your Business as Veteran-Owned or Service Disabled Veteran-Owned.

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