



Senator Herb Kohl

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Unemployment is hurting families across the country, but veterans have been hit especially hard. Over one in ten veterans who fought in Iraq and Afghanistan cannot find work when they return home. Overall, there are almost one million unemployed veterans in the United States.

Jobless veterans deserve better. Veterans Day honors all of those who served our country, and it also reminds us that these brave men and women have earned our support as they make the transition to civilian life.

This week, the Senate passed the *Vow to Hire Heroes Act* to help veterans find a job when they return home. The bill makes sure that all service members get transition assistance when they leave the military to help navigate the job market. Education and training programs that are already working would be expanded so they can help more veterans. Businesses that hire unemployed veterans would get a tax cut. I was proud to vote for the *Vow to Hire Heroes Act*, and I hope the House of Representatives will pass this quickly so the President can sign it into law.

Meanwhile, the Obama Administration is acting now to help veterans find work. Post-9/11 veterans can download a [Gold Card](#) to receive priority services at the Department of Labor's [One Stop Career Centers](#). At [My Next Move](#), veterans can enter their military occupation to explore civilian jobs for which they are particularly well qualified. The Administration has also launched a [Veterans Job Bank](#) that allows users to search hundreds of thousands of job postings.

My number one priority in the Senate is to bring jobs and prosperity to Wisconsin. If you are a veteran looking for work, or know a vet who is, I hope these resources help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Herb Kohl".

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