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SUBJECT: Veteran Owned Business Resources and Programs
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There are many programs on both the state and federal level that provide information and opportunities for veteran owned businesses. Below are a number of those resources.

- The VA's Center for Verification and Evaluation (CVE)
 - As a part of the VA's Veterans First Program, contract set-asides are available for Veteran Owned Small Businesses and Service Disabled Small Businesses; however, an applicant must be verified to qualify. Verification is the process by which a Veteran is evaluated and determined eligible to be listed in the Vendor Information Pages (VIP) database.
 - The Center for Verification and Evaluation (CVE) is the office within VA that manages the verification process and verifies VOSB/SDVOSBs for inclusion in the VetBiz database.
 - <http://www.va.gov/osdbu/verification/assistance/>
- U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) – Veteran Business Outreach Center Region IX
 - VBOC's mission is to advance the growth and commercial competitiveness of veteran owned small business enterprises through education and services focusing on business development, technology deployment and e-commerce.
 - <http://www.vbocix.org/>
- Federal contracting set-asides
 - The Federal government is required by law to award 3% of the entire volume of contract awards to Service Disabled Veteran Owned Businesses.
 - Federal contracting set-asides are managed through a web-based portal which allows vendors to review Federal Business Opportunities (FedBizOpps).
 - <https://www.fbo.gov/?s=main&mode=list&tab=list&tabmode=list>

- Nevada State Purchasing System
 - Many businesses consider the idea of selling their products or services to the government much too complicated and overwhelming. In today's marketplace, the government could become your best customer. The Nevada Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) helps simplify the process and cut through the red tape, connecting Nevada businesses with lucrative opportunities
 - <http://purchasing.staging.nv.gov/vendors/DBINV/>
 - <http://diversifynevada.com/programs-resources/procurement-outreach>
 - https://www.sba.gov/sites/default/files/files/resourceguide_3133.pdf
- State of Nevada Veteran Owned Business Preferences
 - A local business owned and operated by a Nevada veteran who has a service-connected disability who submits a bid or proposal for a contract with State Public Works for which the estimated cost is \$100,000 or less shall be deemed to be 5 percent lower than the bid or proposal actually submitted. A local business owned and operated by a Nevada veteran who has a service-connected disability which is 50 percent or more who submits a bid or proposal for a contract for which the estimated cost is more than \$100,000 but less than \$250,000, the bid or proposal shall be deemed to be 5 percent lower than the bid or proposal actually submitted. (NRS 338.1384).
 - A local business owned and operated by a Nevada veteran who has a service-connected disability who submits a bid or proposal for a contract with State Purchasing Division Public Works who are bidding on or submitting a proposal to provide a service to the State through the State Purchasing Division for which the estimated cost is more than \$50,000 but not more than \$250,000 shall be deemed to be 5 percent lower than the bid or proposal actually submitted. A local business owned and operated by a Nevada veteran who has a service-connected disability of 50 percent or more who submits a bid or proposal for a contract for which the estimated cost is more than \$250,000 but less than \$500,000, the bid or proposal shall be deemed to be 5 percent lower than the bid or proposal actually submitted. (NRS 336.336).