



***NAS Whiting Field Job Fair  
Sikes Hall, NAS Whiting Field, Milton, FL  
August 19, 2010***



Top Left: Job Fair attendees  
Top Right: Chris Smith from Military Media with Stacy Bayton, MSCCN Outreach Coordinator

**Overview:**

On Thursday, August 19, 2010, MSCCN Outreach Coordinator Stacy Bayton attended the 2010 NAS Whiting Field Job Fair. The event was held in Sikes Hall on Naval Air Station Whiting Field from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for job seekers in Santa Rosa and neighboring counties.

The NAS Whiting Field Job Fair has been held for the last 21 years to provide a broad range of career opportunities for military members transitioning to civilian life, military family members, and the general public. The event attracts both local and national employers who are seeking well-qualified, educated, and experienced, or entry-level individuals for employment opportunities within the local counties as well as national positions from around the world.

This year was no different. There were over 60 employers in attendance at this year's job fair, and an estimated 1,200 civilian and military affiliated job seekers in attendance.

**Conclusion:**

This event was a great benefit to MSCCN as it provided an opportunity of direct outreach to our military spouses, veterans, and separating military. From this event the MSCCN has 41 new candidates from the

Panhandle regions. This event also provided an opportunity for MSCCN to forge new relationships with recruiters from Military Media, the Navy Exchange at NAS Whiting Field, Pre-Paid Legal Services, Troy University, the University of West Florida, and many others.

A large percentage of the attendees were from the civilian community (no military affiliation), but this event provided an opportunity for MSCCN to refer these attendees through affiliate organizations such as Workforce Escarosa, strengthening these relationships and creating further opportunities for collaborative work efforts. This event highlighted the fact that no one agency or organization is the solution to the growing issues with employment. It is through collective work and collaboration that we can find assistance and employment for job seekers from both the military and civilian communities.

**Attending Corporations:**

Gulf Power, Landrum Staffing, Cox Communications, Florida Troops to Teachers, West Corporation, Pinnacle Airlines, U.S. Border Patrol, The Boeing Company, Express Personnel, Tallahassee Police Department, West Florida Healthcare, Mary Kay, Networks of Florida, Navy Federal, Lowe's, Raytheon Technical Services, Advance Auto Parts, AGLA, Coldwell Banker United, Aquasis Services Inc., Florida Fish and Wildlife, Mobile Aerospace, ST. Aerospace Mobile, Inc., Granny Nannies, Locklin Technical Center, Express Employment Professionals, Keegan Staffing, Military Media, Troy University, the University of West Florida, MWR, Navy Exchange

**Grant:**

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**Feedback:**

“It was great to see you yesterday. Thanks for working with me! I am excited to have the opportunity to work with MSCCN. This morning, I uploaded my resumes. I recognize I have more work to do and I welcome feedback and ideas. I am in a position to now focus and effectively move forward in my job search. Many thanks, Maureen Bridges”