Boeing announces grants to support veterans and military personnel in Puget Sound

Grants total $365,000 and help efforts in Pierce, King and Snohomish counties

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 09, 2012 – Boeing [NYSE: BA] affirmed its commitment to veterans and military personnel in the Puget Sound region with five grants announced today.

"Boeing and its employees are deeply committed to supporting our nation's military personnel, veterans and their families. We recognize that service in defense of a nation is an enduring mission," said Liz Warman, director of Boeing Global Corporate Citizenship for the Northwest region.

The grants include:

Catholic Community Services received $75,000 for its Opportunity for Achieving Sustainability in Self-sufficiency Project which connects homeless and at risk for homelessness veterans in Snohomish County with housing and case management resources.

Hire America's Heroes received $20,000 to launch a Military Manufacturing Careers Pipeline Project which will help military personnel transition to civilian careers in Washington, specifically in the manufacturing industry.

United Way of King County received $100,000 to develop the Veterans Employment Partnership. Through this program, homeless and formerly-homeless veterans will receive support services such as housing, transportation and case management while participating in employment programs. In addition, the project will work with local businesses to educate them on the benefits of hiring veterans.

United Way of Pierce County received $150,000 over two years for the Center for Military Families to identify service gaps and improve coordination between military service providers at Joint Base Lewis McChord and Pierce County community providers to better meet the needs of active duty and transitioning military families.

YWCA of King and Snohomish Counties received $20,000 for a Veterans Welcome Center at YWCA Opportunity Place in Seattle which will provide local unemployed veterans with access to job search resources.

The grants were made possible through Boeing's Global Corporate Citizenship (GCC) organization. GCC refers to the work that Boeing does in its diverse communities, both as a company and individuals. Last year, Boeing, its employees and retirees contributed $49 million to organizations in Northwest communities where employees and retirees live and work.

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