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NEW TARGET FOR VETERANS EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

The NSW Government Veterans Employment Program will be extended another four years to help veterans transition from military service to civilian life following resounding success.

The Veterans Employment Program will now continue through to the end of 2026, with a new goal of helping an additional 2,000 veterans find employment within the New South Wales Public Sector

Minister for Transport, Veterans and Western Sydney David Elliott said the program had helped more than 2,450 veterans obtain employment in the NSW Government sector since 2016.

“This program, instrumental in helping our veterans enjoy a smoother transition from military service to civilian life, enables the NSW Government retain the skills, knowledge and experience of our outstanding former service personnel,” Mr Elliott said.

“I am delighted the program has consistently exceeded its employment targets, to provide job opportunities for ex-service men and women who are looking for a new career path, with the latest target of 1,000 veterans employed reached in March 2021 - 18 months ahead of schedule.

“I am proud of this program which has helped NSW veterans secure meaningful employment since the program’s inception as part of the Centenary of Anzac.

“Veterans skills and attributes are so adaptable to government employment and it is wonderful to see the many ways in which they are applying the skills gained during their time in the Australian Defence Force to roles in the public service.

“We understand it can be challenging for some former Australian Defence Force personnel to find work after their service and this is just one path to help veterans transition from military service to civilian life.”

The NSW Office for Veterans Affairs administers the program. Information about the Veterans Employment Program is available at: www.vep.veterans.nsw.gov.au.

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