



VETERAN RAPID RETRAINING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The United States Department of Veteran Affairs' **Veteran Rapid Retraining Assistance Program (VRRAP)** provides up to 12 months of tuition, fees, and a monthly housing allowance to veterans who are enrolled in a training program for a high-demand job and are unemployed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: What types of education and training programs does VRRAP cover?

A: VRRAP covers education and training programs approved under the GI Bill and Veteran Employment Through Technology Education Courses (VET TEC) that lead to high-demand jobs. These include associate degrees, non-college degrees, and certificate programs. The Department of Labor determines what's considered a high-demand job for VRRAP. [See a full list of high-demand jobs.](#)

Q: Am I eligible?

A: To be eligible for this program, you must meet all the requirements listed below:

- at least 22 years old, but not older than 66, and
- unemployed because of the COVID-19 pandemic, and
- not rated as totally disabled because you can't work, and
- not enrolled in a federal or state jobs program

Please note: You can't receive VRRAP benefits at the same time as you're receiving unemployment benefits (including CARES Act benefits).

Q: If I'm eligible for other education benefits, can I get VRRAP benefits?

A: No. At the time you apply for VRRAP, you can't be eligible for any of these other benefits:

- Post-9/11 GI Bill
- Montgomery GI Bill
- Veteran Readiness and Employment (VR&E)
- Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance (DEA)
- Veterans' Educational Assistance Program (VEAP)

Please Note: You can get VRRAP benefits if you were at one time eligible for the Post-9/11 GI Bill but you've transferred all of your benefits to family members.

Q: How can I find participating schools?

A: For veterans: [Check the list of schools participating in VRRAP.](#)

For schools: [See the information and forms you'll need to participate in VRRAP.](#)

Q: How long will this program be available?

A: VRRAP will be available until December 11, 2022, or when the VA reaches either the \$386 million funding limit or the 17,250 participant limit.

Q: What if I have other questions?

A: Call 888-442-4551 (TTY: 711), Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Q: How do I apply?

A: [Apply for VRRAP education benefits.](#)