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### **PAYCHECKS FOR PATRIOTS**

*Simultaneous State-Wide Hiring Fairs*

**(MIAMI, May 8, 2013)** — In an effort to bolster employment opportunities for area veterans, the South Florida Workforce Investment Board (SFWIB) and Dollar General Corporation are hosting “Paychecks for Patriots”, a hiring fair for veterans, their spouses and dependents on Friday, May 10, 2013. Local employers with current job openings are invited to participate.

“Paychecks for Patriots” is an initiative aimed to address the unemployment challenges faced by many veterans in the region. One-day hiring events will occur simultaneously across the state at 13 different regional workforce boards.

“South Florida Workforce values the significant contributions made by our military community. We continue to build partnerships and explore new avenues that are aimed to ensure veterans, military spouses, and their dependents have access to jobs that appeal to them,” said Rick Beasley, executive director of the South Florida Workforce Investment Board.

Workshops designed to improve resume writing, tips on applying for U.S. Federal Government jobs, and home buying will be conducted throughout the day. The fair promises to be a great hire and networking event.

Veteran representatives and an advocate for military spouses are available at the 13 Career Centers. The services offered are career counseling, advice on finding a job, and assistance with navigating the civilian employment process. The Career Center hours of operation are Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. and Fridays from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

The Veterans Hiring Fair will take place on Friday, May 10, 2013, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Florida International University – U.S. Century Bank Arena 11200 S.W. 8 Street Miami, Fl. 33199. Veterans should pre-register at [www.southfloridaworkforce.com](http://www.southfloridaworkforce.com).

### **About South Florida Workforce Investment Board**

South Florida Workforce Investment Board is a public-private partnership and integral partner in Miami-Dade’s economic plan that initiates state and federally funded workforce development and training policies for Miami-Dade and Monroe counties. Additionally, South Florida Workforce services and resources are available to everyone at no cost through a network of Career Centers located throughout the region.

For more information, visit [www.southfloridaworkforce.com](http://www.southfloridaworkforce.com) or call 305-594-7615 ext. 407

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