

Employment and Education

Many former military personnel leave the armed forces with plenty still to offer society and the intention of working in a civilian capacity.

Career Transition Partnership

The Ministry of Defence (MOD) and careers specialists Right Management Ltd formed the [Career Transition Partnership \(CTP\)](#) to provide resettlement services for those leaving the armed forces, regardless of time served.



CTP provides flexible support from two years **before** discharge, through to two years **after**. They aim to give you all the tools needed to market yourself confidently to employers and to get the most out of life outside the forces. [CTP](#) connects veterans with jobs, employment fairs, courses and training programmes.

[Veterans' Gateway](#) is the first point of contact for veterans seeking support. It's made up of a number of military charities and can put you in touch with organisations who can help further. [Contact Veteran's Gateway on 0808 802 1212 \(24 hours a day, 365 days a year\)](#)

[Hire a Hero](#) is a registered UK charity that offers opportunities for training, mentoring and career coaching, as well as providing a job board where vacancies can be browsed and posted.

[Civvy Street](#) [provides](#) a whole range of useful information, advice and support for finding jobs, employment training – this includes various grant programmes.

[Troops to Teachers](#) is a government initiative, designed to encourage military personnel to re-train as educators.

[Regular Forces Employment Agency \(RFEA\)](#) provides service leavers and veterans with specialist careers information, advice and support to access job and training opportunities. The RFEA works with a number of partners and is supported by a number of national military charities.

[The Officers' Association](#) provides support and advice to **former officers** and their dependents on a variety of matters including employment, finances, housing, health, wellbeing, volunteering and maintaining a social life.

[The Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen Families Association \(SSAFA\)](#) provide financial, practical and emotional assistance to anyone that is currently serving or has ever served in the Army, Navy or RAF, and their families. The Stockton branch is based at the T. A. Centre on Norton Rd, Stockton. Clients are usually seen in their homes but can be seen at the Norton office. The service is available **Monday to Friday 10.00am – 12 noon**. To make an appointment call **01642 553666** or e-mail stockton.ssafa@hotmail.com

[Finchale](#) is an independent charity providing specialist support programmes for veterans and their families across the north east. This includes debt, housing, vocational training, CV building, cover letters, relationships, employment, addiction counselling, mental and physical health assistance, benefits and education.