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# National Veterans Small Business Conference to be held at Cobo in June

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The National Veterans Small [Business](#) Conference will be held at Cobo Center in June, bringing an estimated 6,000 veterans, small business owners, federal employees, and advocates to the city, Mayor Dave Bing and U.S. Veterans Administration officials said today.

The conference will be held June 25-29 at Cobo. The event is billed as the government's premier event for Veteran-owned small [businesses](#).

Last year's conference in New Orleans drew almost 5,000 attendees, and more are expected this year in Detroit.

The conference will include an on-site hiring fair to provide veterans with job opportunities and interviews.

"As the president said in yesterday's State of the Union address, veterans are crucial to our economy, and we need to find them jobs," said VA Chief of Staff John Gingrich at a news conference this morning at Cobo.

The conference is expected to fill 13,000 hotel room nights over the length of the event, and deliver \$3 million to \$5 million in economic impact to the city, Gingrich added.

Bing called the announcement "another great day in the city of Detroit."

More information is available at [www.nationalveteransconference.com](http://www.nationalveteransconference.com).

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