The Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans with Disabilities (EBV) offers cutting edge, experiential training in entrepreneurship and small business management at no cost to post-9/11 veterans with service-related disabilities. Cornell’s EBV program is the first to offer veterans a specialized program focused on hospitality entrepreneurship. The three phase program includes a week-long residency on the Cornell campus in the School of Hotel Administration (SHA). Sessions during that week are led by more than a dozen volunteer faculty from SHA, as well as other Cornell schools and alumni speakers.

In the eleven years since the national program was launched, more than a 1,393 veterans have completed the EBV training. The EBV has become an integral component of the Department of Defense’s efforts to transition military members with disabilities from military to civilian life, and in 2009, the Department of the Army named EBV as a national “best practice” for a program serving soldiers and their families.

The Bootcamp was first introduced at Syracuse University in 2007 and has grown to a consortium of ten world-class institutions across the country.
Your support as a sponsor of EBV is greatly appreciated and will be recognized with the following benefits:

- Acknowledgment as a sponsor at both the opening reception and graduation ceremony, along with additional mentions throughout the week.
- Your name or company logo featured on signage during the Bootcamp.
- Your individual or company name featured on all marketing, the SHA and national EBV websites, programs and invitations.
- An invitation to attend the opening reception and graduation ceremony.

1. Unrestricted gift
An unrestricted gift supports the program where the need is greatest. Unrestricted gifts are used for textbooks, veteran travel, lodging, meals, and other expenses associated in the execution of the EBV program.

2. Join EBV Advisory Board — membership: $10,000/year with 3-year commitment
Benefits include but are not limited to:
- Participation in creating a long-term vision for EBV
- Opportunity to mentor a veteran through the program
- Elevated sponsorship recognition
- Invitation to attend some or all of the residency, including the veteran presentation and feedback session

3. Sponsor a Veteran — suggested gift: $12,000
Your gift at this level will change the life of one veteran by giving them the opportunity to attend the Cornell EBV program. Sponsorship is strictly limited to twenty sponsors. Note that sponsors are not “matched” to a specific veteran participant. Acknowledgement for a gift at this level will be provided as an additional benefit.

4. Opening Reception — suggested gift: $10,000
The opening reception kicks off the residency week with a welcome from the Cornell community and speakers. It’s a night that allows the incoming EBV class to get to know each other and meet the faculty who volunteer their time to support us in the classroom.

5. Graduation Ceremony — suggested gift: $10,000
The graduation ceremony concludes the week long residency with a celebration of the hard work and accomplishments of the veterans. In addition, our EBV graduates will recognize the contributions of our faculty, staff, speakers, and donors. It is an emotional event that marks the beginning of the veteran’s entrepreneurial journey.

Opening reception and graduation ceremony sponsorship will be acknowledged with special signage.

Help support our nation’s veterans with disabilities.

To make a gift, or for more information, contact Neil Tarallo, Director, Entrepreneurship Bootcamp for Veterans with Disabilities, at 607.255.1217 or ntarallo@cornell.edu.

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