

Crane Learning & Employment Center



*for
Veterans
with
Disabilities*

An Overview of CLEC

Returning U.S. veterans with disabilities face a number of obstacles as they try to re-enter the workforce. Far too many fall through the cracks in our country's training systems. Too often veterans have to negotiate the many bureaucracies of training options on their own. Too many vets lack adequate personal support systems to help them succeed.

The Crane Learning & Employment Center for Veterans with Disabilities (CLEC) will remove those obstacles to workforce re-entry by creating a center exclusively for returning vets. The center will provide these vets with the education and support programs they need to be successful.

The CLEC is starting a pilot program this fall. With the financial support of the Indiana Department of Workforce Development and the Lilly Endowment, Inc., the pilot program will select 15 to 20 participants.

Crane Technology, Inc. (CTI) will be the lead organization for the pilot program. Among our key partnering organizations are: Naval Support Activity (NSA) Crane, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs – Indiana Regional Office, Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs, Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Vincennes University, Ivy Tech Community College, the Richard L. Roudebush VA Medical Center, and the Indiana EGR 8 Regional Workforce Board.

The pilot program will be providing a holistic approach that offers each veteran an individualized approach to education and training. In addition to medical care, housing, transportation, and workforce education, the center will offer supported living and employment.

NSA Crane has agreed to offer long-term jobs to each participant who completes the pilot training.

Our long-term vision is to establish a campus and facility on or near NSA Crane to train all veterans with disabilities. If the pilot project is successful, we hope to develop a program that might serve Indiana and surrounding states. Eventually, this could serve as a national model.

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