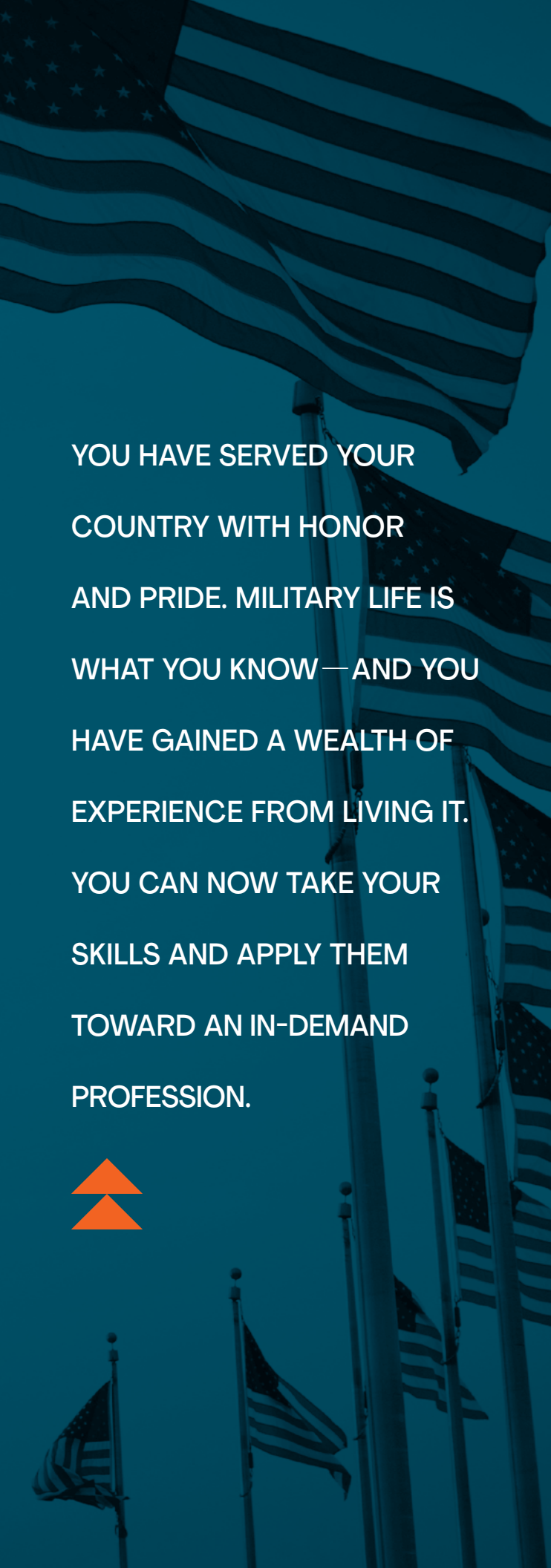




TAKE YOUR **MILITARY EXPERIENCE** AND TRANSITION
TO A CAREER IN **PROJECT MANAGEMENT**





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MILITARY EXPERIENCE TRANSLATES TO PROJECT MANAGEMENT SUCCESS.

The project management profession is an ideal career for military veterans transitioning into the civilian workforce. Why? Because your skills are directly transferable to the project management profession. Think about the type of successes you've had, like leading cross-functional teams to ensure accomplishment of mission objectives (strategic leadership skill), managing budgets and scheduling activities (technical skills), conflict mediation and performance appraisal (soft skills). These are all key proficiencies military veterans and project managers share.

You already have experience in “operationalizing” projects. Additionally, your strong “warrior ethos”—the belief that the mission is always first, to never accept defeat, and never quit—can lead to organizational success.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT: A FAST-GROWING PROFESSION.

PMI research identifies the **project management** profession as one of the fastest growing careers in the world, with abundant opportunity and good salaries for qualified talent. Project managers are highly valued in virtually all sectors.

Project Managers Are in Demand to Drive The Project Economy.

Today, organizations and people are centered around a portfolio of projects to deliver outcomes. We call this new way of working The Project Economy—in which people have the skills and capabilities they need to turn ideas into reality. This means having the right skills and mindset to move seamlessly from project to project in order to help their organizations deliver strategic outcomes. Our research suggests that military veterans have the personal and performance competencies to succeed as a certified project manager. With your experience and a PMI credential, you can distinguish yourself to potential employers and open doors to rewarding new opportunities.



Research Projects Tremendous Growth Through 2027.

Research conducted by the Anderson Economic Group (AEG) for PMI, shows that project management as a profession offers outstanding opportunity for jobs and career growth at substantial salary levels.* PMI research also indicates that the average annual private sector salary for project managers in the United States is US \$105,000.

- By 2027, employers will need nearly 88 million individuals working in project management-oriented roles.
- In the U.S., project management job openings are growing faster than jobs in the overall labor force. We expect employment in the profession from 2017–2027 to increase 8.5 percent, compared to 6.5 percent for all occupations.

A PROJECT MANAGEMENT CAREER — TAKING THE FIRST STEP.

If you are interested in a bright and promising career in project management, you can explore many available programs and courses. PMI provides training, resources, and networking to help practitioners advance.

- 1 | Visit www.Military2PM.com to learn more about PMI certifications and funding options available to you, like the branch COOL programs, MyCAA, and Post 9/11 GI Bill.
- 2 | If you are pursuing a certification, make sure you understand the requirements and prerequisites needed before you begin the process of applying, by reviewing the associated certification handbook.
- 3 | Take an inventory of your project management skills and experiences so that you have the appropriate information for the certification application (and your civilian resume).
- 4 | Visit the “Training and Development” section under the “Learning” tab on PMI.org to see the opportunities for preparing and maintaining your certification, as well as for on-going professional development.
- 5 | Consider PMI membership and joining your local chapter for an instant community of like-minded individuals who provide mentoring, networking, certification application support, career advice, and ongoing professional development opportunities.

READY WHEN YOU ARE.

If you are interested in pursuing a project management career, getting certified, or just learning more about PMI, please contact our Customer Care team at **855-746-4849** (at menu prompt, select 8) or email us at military@pmi.org.



What do military veterans with a career in project management say?

“Get the PMP certification as soon as possible and work to maintain the certification by attending/participating in local PMI functions to stay current... I [learned] from others in the private sector that certifications may provide advantage over education alone.”

– Retired Military Linguist and IT Technician

ABOUT PMI

Project Management Institute (PMI) is the world's leading association for those who consider project, program or portfolio management their profession. Through global advocacy, collaboration, education and research, we work to prepare more than three million professionals around the world for The Project Economy: the coming economy in which work, and individuals, are organized around projects, products, programs and value streams. Now 50 years in the making, we work in nearly every country around the world to advance careers, improve organizational success and further mature the project management profession through globally-recognized standards, certifications, communities, resources, tools, academic research, publications, professional development courses and networking opportunities.

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