

# Seeking New Opportunities After Work as a Federal Employee or Contractor

## A Workshop to Prepare for Your Next Steps

Are you a former federal employee or contractor interested in exploring jobs in the private sector or state public service? We have created a specialized workshop to help you regroup and redefine your career path.

Join us for a 3-hour, expert-led virtual workshop designed to equip you with the knowledge, strategies, and confidence to transition into the next stage of your career. To sign up, email <a href="mailto:FedWorker.Transition@maryland.gov">FedWorker.Transition@maryland.gov</a>.

### **Workshop highlights**

#### Understanding the Private Sector Landscape

Gain insights into how the private sector differs from federal employment, including cultural nuances and operational expectations

#### Guidance on applying for State Jobs

Receive strategies and tips for applying for state government jobs.

#### Career and Skills Assessment

Learn more about your strengths, interests, and skills. Discover your potential. By understanding and leveraging your transferable skills, you can smoothly transition into a role that meets your career goals and aligns with your passions.

#### **Support for New Ventures**

If you are considering starting a business, we offer resources and workshops to help you plan and launch your new venture.

#### Résumé Reinvention

Learn how to translate your federal experience into a compelling private-sector résumé highlighting your most marketable skills and achievements.

#### **Effective Job Search Strategies**

Master the art of navigating job boards, leveraging social networks, and employing the latest job search techniques to find roles that suit your expertise and interests.

#### **Interview Preparation**

Get tailored advice on tackling private sector interviews with confidence, including discussing your federal background and answering common interview questions.

#### **Networking for Success**

Discover the power of networking. Learn how to build and maintain professional relationships that can lead to job opportunities and career advancement.

#### **Emotional and Practical Support**

Address the emotional aspects of job loss and receive practical tips on managing this transition, from financial planning to maintaining a positive mindset.