

Florida - A Rank Above The Rest

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Agenda

- ★ Goals
- ★ Insights
- ★ Persona
- ★ Strategy
- **★** Tactics



SWOT

Strengths

- ★ Location/Climate
- ★ Florida Tax Benefits
- Education Opportunities
- Career Opportunities
- ★ Entrepreneurship
- ★ Florida Leisure

Weaknesses

- ★ Lack of Awareness
- RSS Feed Sign up Lack of Visibility
- ★ Older content on website

Opportunities

- ★ Social Media Content
- ★ Updating the website
- ★ Stronger call-to-action

Threats

- ★ Florida Vets
- ★ Texas being #1 thought of state for Veterans





Instagram:

143 Followers8 Following15 Posts

SOCIAL MEDIA AUDIT



Facebook:

81,186 people like this 80,657 people follow this 4.6/5 rating out of 34 review





Twitter:

347 Followers 108 Following 175 Likes 337 Tweets

Joined: June 2015 Last tweet: March 26



YouTube:

149 Subscribers

Most Viewers on single video: 3,241

Lowest: 55 Views

Goals

- Raise awareness for Veterans Florida among veterans throughout the U.S. by communicating with them directly.
- ★ Increase online visitors and engagement among veterans.
 - Increase number of unique visitors by 10% per month
 - o Increase number of newsletter subscriptions by 10% per month
 - o Increase number of resumes uploaded to Veterans Florida by 10% per month



Insights

- \star As of 2016, veterans who served during the Gulf War period made up the largest portion of the population.
- ★ Veterans live a different lifestyle than the average American. Generally, they are more active and participate in more outdoor activities. For example: according to Nielsen Scarborough research, 15% of veterans spend their free time fishing, making them 45% more likely to participate in the activity than the average American.
- The transitioning service members, veterans and families have anxiety over career decisions. When looking for a job, post-9/11 veterans might not be finding the right opportunities. In fact, 86% of post-9/11 veterans decided not to apply for or accept a job after leaving the military. Disappointment with the salary or benefits offered (56%) was the top reason, followed by believing they didn't have enough education or training to do the job (41%), and reading negative reviews about the company's culture or work environment (30%).

Survey

Purpose: To gain a well-rounded perspective into how people view the transitioning process and what is important to them.

Key Insights:

- ★ Mostly male respondents in the age range of 30 50
- ★ "When transitioning, what qualities of life are most important to you?"
 - i. Quality of Life
 - ii. Financial Stability
 - iii. Support
- ★ Florida is the 2nd most thought about veteran-friendly state



CONSUMER PERSONAS



Target Audience

- Transitioning service members, veterans & their families
- ★ Ages: 20 50
- ★ Value family and work
- Crave a stable life after serving
- Want good income careers
- ★ Wish to enjoy life; participate in more active/outdoor activities



Kris: Specialist/Corporal US Army

Kris is a Caucasian, Christian male who will be discharged from the Army in July after four years stationed at Ft. Bennett, Georgia. Kris's main focus after serving is to find a quality job in order to be financially stable to move in with his girlfriend of three years, Andrea.

- ★ Age: 26
- ★ Status: Not married
- ★ TV: Vice, HBO, CNN & Fox
- ★ Class: Middle
- ★ Household Income: \$25k
- ★ Lives: Ft. Bennett, GA & Chicago, IL
- ★ Top Stores: Walmart, Amazon & online retailers
- ★ Education: Bachelor's degree in Geography from the University of Illinois-Chicago
- ★ Work Position: Army contract
- ★ Most Consumed Media: Social media & TV
- ★ Most Used Social Platforms: Facebook, Youtube & Google





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Financial Stability | Quality of Life | Providing Purpose

Financial Stability

Discounts include:

- ★ No taxes on personal income, military pensions, inheritance, gifts, or intangible property
- ★ Every Florida resident receives \$25,000 homestead property tax exemption
- ★ Additional \$5,000 homestead exemption for veterans with 10% or greater disability
- ★ Free driver's license and state ID for veterans with a 100% total and permanent service-connected disability
- ★ One free Disabled Veteran (DV) motor vehicle license plate for an owned or leased vehicle for veterans with a 100% total and permanent service-connected disability



Quality of Life

- ★ Year- round outdoor recreation
- ★ Florida State Parks
- ★ The Everglades
- ★ Camping
- ★ Year-round fitness
- ★ Beaches
- ★ Operation Outdoor Freedom









Providing A Purpose

★ Education

- Florida GI Bill:
 - Waives out-of-state tuition fees for all honorably discharged veterans
 - Florida waives undergraduate tuition for state universities, community colleges, and career and technical schools for recipients of the Purple Heart or combat decorations superior in precedence to the Purple Heart.

★ Community

- o 21 Military Bases: access to government jobs that veterans are familiar with
- Surrounded by other transitioning families

Career Opportunities

- Entrepreneurship Program
- Ranked #2 for best state for business





FACEBOOK CONTENT USAA CONTENT



Tactic: Facebook/Social

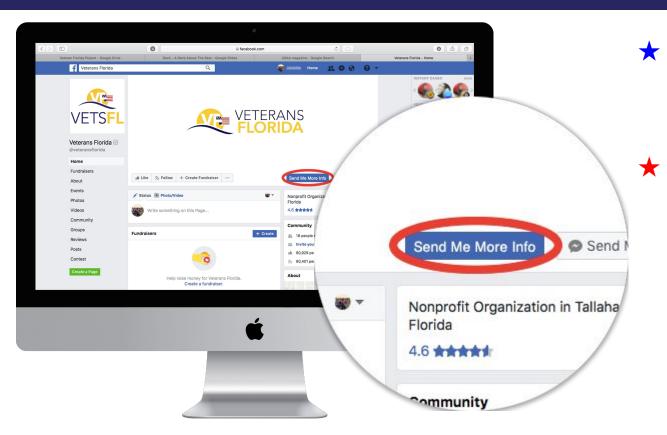
- ★ Targeted Facebook ads that speak directly to certain kinds of veterans. (e.g. vets that "like" fishing, vets that "like" BBQ, etc.)
- ★ Facebook videos that give more information about the organization and its veteran benefits.







Tactic: Facebook/Social



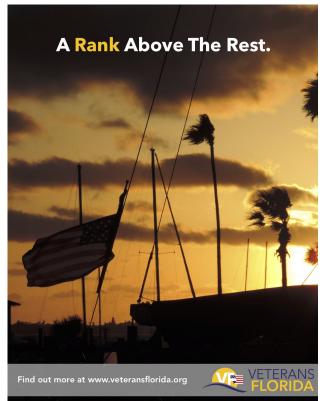
- CTA button on the Facebook Page allows families to request more information.
 - Clicking this button subscribes the user to a list to stay updated via Facebook.



Tactic: Print/Magazine

Striking a partnership with USAA

- Running a print ad in USAA magazine.
- Having an article published on USAA website and in-magazine.





Tactic:Video/Storyboard





Conclusion

Veterans Florida offers exactly what our target audience is seeking: **financial stability**, **quality of life**, and **purpose**. Through numerous financial benefits such as property tax exemptions and the multitude of outdoor activities and programs, Florida is the place where veterans can transition to and find their purpose.

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