

KINGDOMWARE TECHNOLOGIES RECEIVES

VETERAN INSTITUTE FOR PROCUREMENT CERTIFICATION

April 2011. Kingdomware recently completed the Veteran Institute Procurement (VIP), a comprehensive training and certification program that helps veteran-owned businesses strengthen their ability to win government contracts and do business with both military and civilian agencies they once served in uniform.

On March 24, 2011, Kingdomware was one of 42 businesses from eight states first to graduate from the National Center for the Veteran Institute for Procurement at the Bolger Center, a government-owned conference facility located in Potomac, Md. During the program's graduation, Congressman Chris Van Hollen of Maryland presented Kingdomware with a congressional citation on behalf of Congressman Steny Hoyer.

"We would highly recommend VIP to other veteran owned businesses," said L. Barton of Kingdomware. "It was definitely a valuable experience."

VIP was established by the Montgomery County Chamber Community Foundation (MCCCF) in 2009. After two years of successfully serving 125 veteran-owned business leaders in the Washington Metropolitan Area, VIP organizers responded to interest from veterans around the country and broadened to a national program.

"VIP provides veteran-owned business leaders who are looking to position themselves for greater success in the fast-growing marketplace of government contracting," said Barbara Ashe, president, Montgomery County Chamber Community Foundation. "By helping entrepreneur-minded veterans succeed as government contractors, we are not only supporting those men and women who have served our nation, but also the veterans they hire, the citizens they serve, the government agencies and prime contractors they support, and the overall economy,"

VIP is a three-day, 25-hour comprehensive certification program instructed by professional service experts who present best business practices as volunteers. The curriculum focuses on topics tailored to the federal contracting space: strategic planning; legal, contracting and teaming agreements; accounting and financial compliance; marketing, capture, and proposals; risk management, operations and quality assurance; and insurance and human resources. Participants must be a C-level leader in a Veteran-owned business operating for at least two years with minimum of 3-4 full time employees, annual revenues less than \$25 million, and experience working on government contracts as a prime and/or sub-contractor to a prime. The program is funded by the Montgomery County Chamber Community Foundation (MCCCF) through private sponsorships and is offered at no cost to taxpayers or the participants (except airfare).

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For additional information or to register for the June or October sessions, please visit Veteran Institute for Procurement or the Montgomery County Community Chamber Community Foundation.