



Michael Rosen

Michael Rosen is a retired senior leader of the New York Army National Guard with more than 26 years of military service, including over 20 years in full-time Active Guard Reserve (AGR) service. Throughout his military career, he served in leadership, human resources, and organizational management positions, deploying twice in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and Resolute Support while leading teams, developing personnel, and managing complex workforce operations. His service was recognized with numerous military awards and decorations, including the Bronze Star Medal, four Meritorious Service Medals, and many other honors recognizing his leadership, service, and commitment to those he served alongside.

As he transitioned from military service, Michael completed a Department of Defense SkillBridge internship with Plug Power, where he was subsequently hired as a Total Rewards Specialist. While at Plug Power, he helped develop the company's Veteran Employee Resource Group (ERG) and served as a founding member of its governing board. That experience provided valuable insight into both the opportunities and challenges veterans encounter when entering the civilian workforce and strengthened his passion for improving veteran employment outcomes.

Michael currently serves as a Veterans' Program Coordinator with the New York State Department of Labor, where he oversees New York's statewide Disabled Veterans' Outreach Program (DVOP), providing leadership for veteran employment services across the state's workforce system. He develops policy and training, supports workforce professionals, and collaborates with employers, government agencies, educational institutions, and veteran-serving organizations to strengthen employment outcomes and expand career opportunities for veterans across New York State.

He holds a Bachelor of Science in Administration and Management Studies from Excelsior University and an Associate of Applied Science in Computer Information Systems from SUNY Delhi. His background combines military leadership, human resources, workforce development, organizational strategy, and veteran advocacy, providing a unique perspective on building stronger workforces through veteran inclusion.

Michael's mission is to ensure that veterans are recognized not only for their service, but for the leadership, resilience, adaptability, and experience they continue to bring to every workplace.