



JULY 2026

UPCOMING EVENTS

Orange County Veterans Advisory Council (OCVAC) Meeting*

- **When:** August 12, 2026, at 2 p.m.
- **Where:** 1300 S. Grand Ave., Bldg. B, Santa Ana, CA 92705
- **Please note:** Meeting location is subject to change. For the most up-to-date information, please visit the [OCVAC webpage](#), or check our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) before attending.

The flyer is titled 'Back-to-School Health and Wellness Fair' in large blue and red letters. It is set against a background of colorful bunting flags at the top. The text 'CalOptima Health and Orange Unified School District Invite the Community to a' is above the title. Below the title, it says 'Get ready for the new school year with backpacks, school supplies, vision exams, dental services, sports physicals, haircuts and more at **no cost for all.**' with a small icon of a person. A list of services is provided with icons: a backpack for 'Distribution of shoes, food, bike helmets and backpacks* (while supplies last) *Children (between the ages of 4 to 18) must be present.', glasses for 'Free vision exams, eyeglasses, dental services, sports physicals and haircuts (by appointment)', books for 'Resources for basic needs, mental health, individuals with disabilities and K-12 education services', a paint palette for 'Cultural performances, music, games and activities', and a document for 'Medi-Cal and CalFresh enrollment'. The date and time 'Saturday, August 1, 2026 9 a.m.-1 p.m.' are in a yellow cloud shape, along with the location 'El Modena High School 3920 E. Spring St., Orange, CA 92869'. A QR code is at the bottom right with the URL 'https://bit.ly/ocusdbts2026'. Logos for CalOptima Health, Orange Unified School District, Sarmiento, City of Orange, health CARE AGENCY, and OCSSA are at the bottom.

Back-To-School Health and Wellness Fair

- **About:** Join the Back-to-School Health & Wellness Fair for free resources, health services, and family activities, including school supplies, vision and dental services, food, and more. Certain resources are available while supplies last, and select services require an appointment.
- **When:** August 1, 2026, from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- **Where:** El Modena High School
3920 E. Spring St., Orange, CA 92869
- **More information:** bit.ly/ocusdbts2026

HIRING EVENTS*

Free registration, participation, and parking!
Register here: bit.ly/OCWFSHiringEvent

Seasonal Hiring Event

- **When:** August 5, 2026, from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- **Where:** OC Workforce Solutions Center – South
28202 Cabot Rd., Ste. 100, Laguna Niguel, CA 92677

Multi-Industry Hiring Event

- **When:** August 26, 2026, from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- **Where:** OC Workforce Solutions Center – North
675 Placentia Ave., Third Floor, Brea, CA 92821

**Participating employers are subject to change.*



ORANGE COUNTY
WOMEN'S BUSINESS CENTER

Business Accelerator: From Idea to Launch



Wednesdays | August 5, 12, 19, & 26 | 2:30 p.m. – 4 p.m.

OC WBC Business Accelerator: From Idea to Business Launch is a 4-part business accelerator series, designed to educate participants in planning, formation, and preparation to launch their small business or microbusiness.

At the end of the program, attendees will have the knowledge to get their business up and running.

Course Outline:

Wednesday, Aug. 5 Ideation, Planning, Entrepreneurship Mindset	Wednesday, Aug. 19 Financial Planning, Projections, Revenue Streams
Wednesday, Aug. 12 Market Research, Business Formation	Wednesday, Aug. 26 Branding, Marketing, Building your Presence



REGISTER TODAY!



In Person @ OC Workforce Solutions
675 Placentia Ave. Ste 330, Brea, CA 92821

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- **Where:** OC Workforce Solutions Center – North
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- **Register:** [Business Accelerator: From Idea to Launch](#)

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NEWS



New Features Arrive to the VA Health and Benefits Mobile App

Veterans can now view their lab results and manage benefit overpayment debts directly from their phones. The VA Health and Benefits mobile app is giving faster access to health information, payments, claims, appointment tools, and account management features. Veterans can download the app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. Those who already have it will see new features automatically.

[Learn more about the VA Health and Benefits mobile app and its latest features.](#)

VA Updates Appraisal Requirements to Help Veterans Compete in Today's Housing Market

The VA has streamlined its home loan appraisal rules by updating key minimum property requirements, removing outdated standards, and adjusting fees. These changes aim to reduce delays and simplify the process for Veterans competing in a fast-moving housing market.

With appraisals taking an average of about seven business days, the VA's updates are designed to keep the process moving and make VA loans more competitive and accessible. These improvements support the VA's broader efforts to help Veterans secure safe, reliable housing more efficiently.

[Learn more about the VA's updated loan appraisal requirements.](#)

DID YOU KNOW



Veterans who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness can access housing assistance, health care, mental health services, supportive programs, and connections to VA and community resources at the VA Community Resource and Referral Center (CRRC).

Learn more about [housing and support services available through the VA Community Resource and Referral Center](#).

BY THE NUMBERS MONTHLY

Numbers are based on June 2026 service data.

Veterans Served (includes emails, calls, and appointments):
2,814

Benefits Granted by Veterans Administration:
\$965,496

Claims Filed:
1,223

College Tuition Savings:
\$1,833,348

For more information, contact the VSO at (714) 480-6555 or ocvso@occr.ocgov.com.

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