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### **City Tech and Partners Host NYC Veteran Resource Expo at Borough Hall**

Brooklyn, NY—October 6, 2015—City Tech has partnered with the Veteran Success Resource Group (VSRG) to host the NYC Veteran Resource Expo on Tuesday, October 20, at Borough Hall, 209 Joralemon Street, Downtown Brooklyn, from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. The Expo is free and open to all Veterans, Active Duty, families and caregivers.

City Tech has a long history of supporting veterans starting when the College was founded in 1946—when the urgent mission at the time was to provide training to GIs returning from the Second World War.

Continuing this tradition, City Tech supports the NYC Veteran Resource Expo in providing a multitude of resources for veterans, including a full range of more than 55 event resource partners offering free information and services to ensure professional success and personal wellbeing:

- Business Startup and Growth Services
- Signature Roundtable Discussions with Industry Experts
- Funding Sources for Veteran Businesses
- Mentor Business Tables for Matchmaking with Small Businesses
- Federal, State and City Government Tables for Matchmaking
- Career and Job Counseling to include Resume Reviews and Job Matching
- 9/11 GI Bill Schools and Education and Credential Counseling
- Pension and Disability Benefits Counseling from Veteran Organizations
- PTSD, TBI and Suicide Prevention Education

Rob Piechota, Director of the Brooklyn Small Business Development Center at City Tech and a veteran's advocate, has worked with VSRG founders, Justin Constantine and Scott Davidson, on advocacy projects as well as other NYC Veteran Resource Expos.

As combat veterans of Operation Iraqi Freedom, Constantine and Davidson have walked in the same shoes as many of the Expo attendees, and the lack of comprehensive support for their post-military needs is what inspired them to initiate this Expo concept in the hope of creating a new model for veteran interdependence and mutual support. It is the hope of the organizers of the Veteran Expo that this model can work in New York City, where support for veterans is much needed.

“We want to give veterans and their families a ‘full spectrum experience’ of services and support in the critical areas of business, education, employment, housing and health—now and beyond,” says Constantine, who spearheads many of the business partnerships.

With support from the Commander of the Fort Hamilton Garrison (COL Joe Davidson), Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams and Deputy Borough President Diana Reyna, this capstone Expo event of 2015 is a welcome prelude to the Veterans Day activities that New York City conducts during the

month of November.

Registration is free and open to all Veterans, Active Duty, families and caregivers:

<http://www.eventbrite.com/e/nyc-veterans-resource-expo-tickets-18071114189>

For more information about the NYC Veterans Resource Expo, contact Isabella Edelman at [isabella.edelman@vetresourcegroup.org](mailto:isabella.edelman@vetresourcegroup.org) or 888.732.7341 X. 701.

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