



## **Veteran-Friendly Business Recognition Program**

The Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce, The City of Tyler and the East TX Veterans Alliance respect and honor the men and women of our nation's military, welcoming and recognizing them and their families as invaluable and beloved members of the community.

Approximately 35-38,000 separating service members will transition into TX communities with 7-10% choosing communities like Tyler. The Chamber, the City and the Alliance realize that Veterans and military spouses make great employees, and, as natural leaders, benefit every aspect of the greater community.

The Chamber, City and Alliance are committed to ensuring that the business community receives positive recognition for hiring and accommodating America's service members and their families as they return to live successfully in the local community.

Tyler area businesses are invited to participate in the *Saluting Veterans Recognition Initiative*, created by the Chamber, in partnership with the City and the Alliance, to recognize employers and businesses that provide Veteran focused programs and policies. Participation includes a Certificate of Recognition from the City of Tyler and a window decal to proudly display at the place of business.

### **Veteran Friendly Business Recognition Nomination**

#### **Please provide:**

- Business Name
- Business Owner's Name
- Business Location Address
- Business Mailing Address
- Business Phone, Website and Email address

#### **Please list Veteran Specific Programs/Policies:**

- Hiring/Employment-Veteran Hiring Policy; Eligibility Requirements; Number of Veteran Employees; Reasons for Hiring Veteran; Other.
- Discounts/Special Sales -Veteran/Military Discount Policy; Regular Discount Programs/Offers; Special/Scheduled Programs/Offers; Eligibility Requirements; Other.

Return Nomination Information to Jim Snow  
[jksnow5@aol.com](mailto:jksnow5@aol.com) , the Chamber or the City of Tyler.

## **Veteran Owned Businesses**

According to the most recent Census data available, U.S. military veterans own 2.4 million businesses, accounting for 9.0 percent of all businesses nationwide. These businesses generate \$1.2 trillion in receipts, or about 4.1 percent of all business receipts nationwide, and employ nearly 5.8 million people.

The data was collected through a Survey of Business Owners which defines veteran-owned businesses as firms in which U.S. military veterans own 51 percent or more of the equity, interest or stock of the business.

All in all, businesses where veterans are majority owners or half-owners numbered 3.7 million, representing 13.5 percent of all businesses nationwide, accounting for more than \$1.6 trillion in receipts and employing 8.2 million people.

As one of the top three states with the largest number of veteran-owned businesses, TX numbered 199,476 businesses in the latest survey, or 8.1 percent of all veteran-owned businesses in the United States.

The national Survey of Business Owners is conducted every five years as part of the economic census. Data collected in the most recent survey is available at <https://www.census.gov/econ/sbo/methodology.html> .

The Tyler area hosts a thriving business community with close to 3,000 members enjoying the advantages of participating in the Tyler Area Chamber of Commerce. Applying the national norm of 8.1 percent for TX veteran business ownership, at least 240 Chamber member businesses may have Veteran roots!

The Chamber's Veterans Committee maintains a listing of those Veteran Business Owners who have self-identified. For the convenience of Chamber members and their patrons, the Tyler Veteran Owned Business list follows. Please contact the Chamber if you know of a VOB not yet listed or you are a VOB wishing to be listed.

Tyler/Smith County TX Veteran Owned Businesses

1. The Diner – Lloyd Nichols  
79224 South Broadway Suite 1000  
Tyler, TX 75703  
Phone: 903-312-6598
2. Dakotas Steak and Chop House  
Steve Helmuth  
5377 So. Broadway  
Tyler, TX 75703  
Phone: 903-581-6700
3. Bailey's Electric Co. Inc.  
Dean Bailey - Owner  
3163 Mary Ann St.  
Tyler, TX 75703  
Phone: 903-595-3366
4. Mark Stark  
Rock Solid Surfaces Decorative Concrete  
Phone: 850-776-0921  
[rocksolidsurfacesofeastTX@gmail.com](mailto:rocksolidsurfacesofeastTX@gmail.com)
5. Safety –Hood Inc.  
Ty and Gail Freeman  
P.O. Box 132124  
Tyler, TX 75713  
Phone: 903-316-0854  
[www.safety-hood.com](http://www.safety-hood.com)
6. John T. Furlow LLC  
5405 Troop Hwy. Suite 101  
Tyler, TX 75707  
Phone: 903-561-9347  
[www.itfaccounting.com](http://www.itfaccounting.com)
7. Patriot Plumbing  
Tyler, TX 75701  
Phone: 903-589-1767  
903-372-3972
8. Hardin Oilfield & Underground, Inc.  
Richard Hardin  
Phone: 903-262-6841  
email: [rich@hardinoil.com](mailto:rich@hardinoil.com)  
[www.hardinoil.com](http://www.hardinoil.com)
9. New York Life Financial Services  
Jerrod Stevens - Owner  
Phone: 903-266-2043  
Email: [jkstevens@ft.newyorklife.com](mailto:jkstevens@ft.newyorklife.com)
10. Allstate Insurance  
Jeff Callens – Agent/Owner  
4015 Old Noonday Rd.  
Tyler TX 75701  
Phone: 903-561-9933
11. Curves  
Jim & Kathi Snow  
23345 Greenwood Trail  
Bullard, TX 75762  
Phone: 903-825-3680  
Cell: 903-363-2212  
[Jksnow5@aol.com](mailto:Jksnow5@aol.com)
12. Henry Googe  
Farmers Insurance  
7524 S Broadway Avenue, Suite 112  
Tyler, TX 75703-5000  
Phone: 903-630-7474  
[hgooge@farmersagent.com](mailto:hgooge@farmersagent.com)  
<http://www.farmersagent.com/hgooge>
13. Green Bug Services  
Gino Springer  
12430 State HWY 155 South  
Tyler, TX 75703  
Phone: 903-484-4024  
[www.greenbugservices.com](http://www.greenbugservices.com)
14. Jonathan Montgomery  
Longhorn Woodworks & Supply  
Phone: 903-752-1197  
[longhornwoodworks@yahoo.com](mailto:longhornwoodworks@yahoo.com)
15. John's Welding & Fabrications  
Owner-John R. Pyle  
15568 FM 2964  
Whitehouse, TX 75791  
Phone: 903-839-3270/903-571-4193
16. Brent Gimble – Attorney  
305 South Broadway Suite 501  
Tyler, TX 75702  
Phone: 903-593-0030
17. David Hartsell Avionics Inc.  
1872 County Rd. 1143  
Tyler, TX 75704  
Phone: 903-597-3896  
Email: [hartavion@tyler.net](mailto:hartavion@tyler.net)  
[www.hartsellavionics.com](http://www.hartsellavionics.com)
18. Frizzell Consulting  
James. B. Frizzell, CMS-CHT FIBH  
Austin Bank Building  
305 S. Broadway, Suite 812  
Tyler, TX 75702  
Phone: 903-780-0952  
Email: [jbfrizzell@outlook.com](mailto:jbfrizzell@outlook.com)
19. A & A Electric  
Charles Dintelmann  
115 Ford St.  
Lindale, TX 75771  
Phone: 903-882-3625
20. C & C Construction  
Tracy Cheatham  
5502 Country Estates Dr.  
Tyler, TX 75702  
Phone: 903-360-0045
22. Pour Me Bar & Event Services  
Shawn Wilson  
Phone: 903-747-0880  
Email: [pourmebars@gmail.com](mailto:pourmebars@gmail.com)  
[www.PourMeBars.com](http://www.PourMeBars.com)

23. Bobby Mims – Attorney  
216 West Erwin Street  
Tyler, TX 75701  
Phone: 903-705-7915  
[www.ut-TX1.com](http://www.ut-TX1.com)
24. F. R. (Buck) Files – Attorney  
109 West Ferguson  
Tyler, TX 75702  
Phone: 903-595-3573
25. Clifton L. (Scrappy) Holmes - Attorney  
110 West Methvin  
Longview, TX 75606  
Toll-free: 800-216-7061  
[www.holmesmoore.com](http://www.holmesmoore.com)
26. George Winn Real Estate  
4708 Piccadilly Place  
Tyler, TX 75703  
Phone: 903-581-7855,  
Cell: 903-372-7585  
FAX: 903-581-6038  
Email: [georgeandjane@earthlink.net](mailto:georgeandjane@earthlink.net)
27. Advantage Safety – Fire extinguishers –Sales and Service  
Owner – Randy Harman  
13621 Shanne  
Lindale, TX 75771  
Phone: 903-509-6257  
Cell: 903-539-0975
28. Legacy Mortgage  
Owner - Derek Jones  
3800 Paluxy Suite 150  
Tyler, TX 75703  
Phone: 903-312-7036  
Email: [Derek@legacymortgageonline.com](mailto:Derek@legacymortgageonline.com)
29. Pro Clean, Professional Cleaning and Restoration  
Owner – James Tittle  
3507 Westway Drive  
Tyler, TX 75703  
Phone: 903-566-7576  
Cell: 903-939-9845  
[www.procleanrestoration.net](http://www.procleanrestoration.net)
30. Stevenson Capital Wealth Management, LLC  
Randy Stevenson, M.S.  
6793 Old Jacksonville HWY  
Tyler, TX 75703  
Phone: 903-592-2600  
Email: [randy@stevensonwealth.com](mailto:randy@stevensonwealth.com)  
[www.stevensonwealth.com](http://www.stevensonwealth.com)
31. Rubicon International, Wild Birds & More  
Bonnie Farrar  
19456 HWY 155  
Flint, TX 75762  
Phone: 903-705-7857  
903-825-2663
32. The Original Evans Air Conditioning  
Rick Walker, President  
3484 FM 2813  
Flint, TX 75762  
Phone: 903-561-9410  
Cell: 903-570-8426  
Email: [rwalker@evansair.net](mailto:rwalker@evansair.net)  
[www.evansair.net](http://www.evansair.net)
33. Roseland Wedding Chapel & Ballroom  
Roseland Publications  
Eric Jones & Stephanie Jones  
Phone: 903-849-5553  
832-620-6131  
Email: [roselandweddingchapel@gmail.com](mailto:roselandweddingchapel@gmail.com)
34. American Veterans Traveling Tribute-TWF  
Mr. Don Allen, President  
11652 FM 2868  
Flint, TX 75762  
Phone: (903) 561-9888  
Fax: (903) 561-9885  
[www.avtt.org](http://www.avtt.org)
35. TX Wounded Warrior  
Richard Goetz, Chairman  
4301 Fillbrook Lane  
Tyler, TX 75707  
Phone: (903) 918-2210  
[www.txwoundedwarrior.com](http://www.txwoundedwarrior.com)
36. Adams Engineering & Development Consultants  
Mr. Danny Adams, CEO/President  
1101 ESE Loop 323 Suite 101  
Tyler, TX 75701  
Phone: (903) 324-8400  
Fax: (903) 324-8450  
[www.adams-engineering.com](http://www.adams-engineering.com)
37. Beach Associates  
Roger Gerick, Owner  
4710 Dundee Drive  
Tyler, TX 75703-2211  
Phone: (939) 939-1430  
Toll-free: (800) 922-7779  
Fax: (903) 939-1433  
Mobile: (903) 372-3325  
Email: [rgerick@suddenlink.net](mailto:rgerick@suddenlink.net)  
[www.freightmovers.com](http://www.freightmovers.com)
38. Southern Surgical Arts  
Dr. Charles Stone, DDS  
2550 Elkton Trail  
Tyler, TX 75703  
Phone: 903-534-1414  
[www.ssatyler.com](http://www.ssatyler.com)
39. Northwestern Mutual  
William Beasing  
3805 Broadmoore Court  
Tyler, TX 75707  
Phone: 903 596 0014  
903-566-0338  
Email: [william.beasing@nm.com](mailto:william.beasing@nm.com)

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Tyler, TX 75713  
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[www.SuperiorTyler.com](http://www.SuperiorTyler.com)

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Email: [pmilne@tylertaxlaw.com](mailto:pmilne@tylertaxlaw.com)  
[www.TylerTaxLaw.com](http://www.TylerTaxLaw.com)

**42. Tele-One Communications Inc.**  
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P.O. Box 7037  
Tyler, TX 75711-7037  
Physical Address:  
5620 Old Bullard Rd #109  
Tyler, TX 75703  
Phone: 903-531-0777  
Fax 903-531-0403  
Email [cboyles@tele-onecom.com](mailto:cboyles@tele-onecom.com)  
[www.tele-onecom.com](http://www.tele-onecom.com)

**43. Boyter Financial Services**  
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10810 Crown Rd  
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Flint, TX 75762  
Phone: 903-894-5920  
Email: [mike@boyter.com](mailto:mike@boyter.com)  
[www.boyter.com](http://www.boyter.com)

**44. Touching Lives**  
2812 Navaho Trail  
Tyler, TX 75707  
Phone: 903 952-5354  
Email: [johncates2003@yahoo.com](mailto:johncates2003@yahoo.com)  
[www.sendoutcards.biz/128827](http://www.sendoutcards.biz/128827)

**45. Lnk Enterprises, LP**  
Wayne Tech Communications  
Neal Maynard/Larry Carroll  
1303 W Rieck Rd  
Tyler, TX 757033405  
Phone: 903 530-8244

**46. Lockhart Properties**  
15291 Hwy 155 S.  
Tyler, TX 757036854  
Phone: 903 520-9331

**47. Robert E. Layton, Jr.**  
1811 Rickety Ln  
Tyler, TX 75703-1633  
Phone: 903 561-2980

**48. Appraisal Systems, Inc.**  
504 State Highway 110 N  
Whitehouse, TX 75791-3040  
Phone: 903 839-7029  
[www.appraisalsystems.com](http://www.appraisalsystems.com)

**49. Anytime Fitness**  
Athletic Facilities & F  
151 Hwy 69 N Suite 700  
Bullard, TX 75757  
Phone: 903 894-8178  
Email: [shane.giglio@yahoo.com](mailto:shane.giglio@yahoo.com)

**50. Christopher Cassano**  
106 Gardenview St.  
Whitehouse, TX 75791-3737  
Phone: 802 379-6281

**51. George Weilepp**  
17581 County Rd #1108  
Flint, TX 75762-2625  
Phone: 903 561-5036

**52. Tyler Roofing Company, Inc.**  
10465 Spur 164  
Tyler, TX 75709-5118  
Phone: 903 597-4152

**53. Sparks, Gerald**  
3872 Highway 64 W # 120  
Tyler, TX 75704-6924  
Phone: 903 515-0205

**54. East TX Testing Laboratory, Inc.**  
Douglas E. Flatt, Owner  
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Tyler, TX 75702-6346  
Phone: 903 595-4421  
Email: [ettlinc@ettlinc.com](mailto:ettlinc@ettlinc.com)  
[www.ettlinc.com](http://www.ettlinc.com)

**55. Wren Enterprises, Inc.**  
16870 Mary Martin Driver  
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Phone: 903 825-6098

**56. Herring, Donald J**  
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Tyler, TX 75704-6177  
Phone: 903 216-3400

**57. Arnold O. Walker, Realty**  
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Tyler, TX 75705-3313  
Phone: 903 360-9731

**58. Christie, John B**  
7837 FM 856 N  
Troup, TX 75789-8034  
Phone: 903 842-3890

**59. Safety Seal**  
16226 Circle Dr.  
Lindale, TX 75771-5973  
Phone: 903 882-0005  
[www.safetyseal.com](http://www.safetyseal.com)

60. A Keen Eye, LLC  
168 Sunshine Hollow  
Holly Lake Ranch, TX 75765-9423  
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Email: [martf47@sbcglobal.net](mailto:martf47@sbcglobal.net)  
[www.akeeneyellc.com](http://www.akeeneyellc.com)
61. Pritchett Protection  
577 County Rd 2651  
Mineola, TX 75773-4811  
Phone: 903 569-5753
62. Constructors and Erectors In.  
10792 US Highway 271 S  
Gladewater, TX 75647-7404  
Phone: 903 844-2314  
[www.constructorsinc.biz](http://www.constructorsinc.biz)
63. Michael Phaup  
Insurance/Real Estate  
427 Rice Road, Tyler, TX 75703  
Phone: 903 574-1111
64. Tyler CopyTex  
Tom Robbins, Owner  
512 S. Broadway Ave.  
Tyler, TX 75702  
Phone: 903-539-3850  
Fax 903-787-8845  
[www.TylerCopyTex.com](http://www.TylerCopyTex.com)
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70. Tim Beard Computer Support  
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Tyler, TX 75703  
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Email: [support@tbcs.co](mailto:support@tbcs.co)  
[www.tbcs.co](http://www.tbcs.co)
71. Tom Dodd, Clinical Hypnotherapist  
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Email: [tom@klini.com](mailto:tom@klini.com)  
[www.klini.com](http://www.klini.com)
72. Popeyes Louisiana Kitchen  
Lloyd Nichols  
3820 W. Elm Street  
Tyler, TX 75709  
Phone: 903-747-3833  
<http://popevestyler.com>
73. JV Cattle Co. LLC  
Owner-Ted F. Conover  
6603 Gleneagles Drive  
Tyler, TX 75703  
Phone: 903-530-4489  
[tfconover@aol.com](mailto:tfconover@aol.com)
74. Travel Masters-Discover the World  
Owner-Joe W. Howell  
915 WSW Loop 323  
Tyler, TX 75701  
Phone: 903-581-8111  
Fax: 903-581-2558  
[travelmasters@att.net](mailto:travelmasters@att.net)
75. Dr. William R. Clyde, D.D.S., M.A.G.D., F.A.D.I.  
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[drwrclyde@suddenlinkmail.com](mailto:drwrclyde@suddenlinkmail.com)
76. Relson GRACIE Jiu-Jitsu Academy of Tyler  
Lone Star Marshall Arts Academy  
Owner-Drew Arthur  
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Tyler, TX 75707  
Phone: 903-509-1662  
[www.gracietyler.com](http://www.gracietyler.com)  
[www.lonestarmmagym.com](http://www.lonestarmmagym.com)
77. The Shootist Gun and Knife Shop –Mac Woods  
4007 S. Broadway, Suite F  
Tyler TX 75701  
Phone: 903-581-4857

78. Affirmed Medical & Safety  
Mac Hill  
PO Box 5257  
Tyler, TX 75712  
Phone: 903-882-1500  
[www.affirmedmedicalandsafety.com](http://www.affirmedmedicalandsafety.com)
79. Complete Nutrition  
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Tel. 903-581-8800  
Email: [Tyler.TX@completenutrition.com](mailto:Tyler.TX@completenutrition.com)
80. David Edward Stutzenburg (Concrete)  
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Ben Wheeler, TX 75754  
Tel. 903-852-3323  
Email – [stutzenburghouse@yahoo.com](mailto:stutzenburghouse@yahoo.com)
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Tyler, TX  
Phone: 903-561-6718
82. Premier Puzzles  
Barbara Smith, Co-Owner  
P O Box 131201  
Tyler, TX 75713  
Phone: (903) 283-0920  
Mobile: (903) 262-6501  
Email: [premierpuzzles@gmail.com](mailto:premierpuzzles@gmail.com)  
[www.premierpuzzlez.com](http://www.premierpuzzlez.com)
83. Farmers Insurance  
Henry Googe  
7524 S. Broadway, Suite 112  
Tyler, TX 75703  
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Email: [hgooge@farmersagent.com](mailto:hgooge@farmersagent.com)  
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903-520-2069  
Email: [info@DragonheadRetreat.com](mailto:info@DragonheadRetreat.com)  
[www.DragonheadRetreat.com](http://www.DragonheadRetreat.com)
86. The Woldert-Spence Manor  
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611 W. Woldert Street  
Tyler, TX 75702  
903-533-9057  
Email: [lodging@woldert-spence.com](mailto:lodging@woldert-spence.com)  
[www.tylertexasinn.com](http://www.tylertexasinn.com)