

Make it your mission

FOOD SERVICE WORKER

Find **YOUR** Total Reward\$ of a VA Career

At VA, you have more than a job—you have a mission to serve Veterans who have borne the battle with honor.

As a food service worker at VA, you are part of a team that provides first-class food services for Veterans and their families with a “food forward” philosophy to provide comprehensive nutritional services. You will contribute to the preparation of meal items, the assembly of meal trays and the delivery of meals to our Veterans. Last year, VHA served over 39 million meals to Veterans. Patient safety and patient experience are the main priorities of our food service worker team.



COVERAGE

Rest easy knowing that VA has you and your family's insurance needs covered. Insurance coverage may follow you into retirement after 5 years of vested service and maintaining FEHB in the 5 years leading up to retirement (conditions apply).



CAREER AND GROWTH

Start your career at VA and benefit from opportunities to build your skills and professional growth by leveraging VA professional development programs to fit your specific long-term career goals.



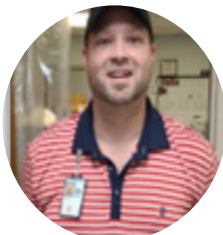
RETIREMENT BENEFITS

Earn an amazing retirement package including a traditional (defined benefit) federal pension, a 401(k) Thrift Savings Plan (TSP) with employer matched contributions, and Social Security.



CREDIT FOR MILITARY

As a VA employee, you can choose to carry over eligible military service time that can be added to your total years of creditable service for retirement pension calculation purposes (conditions apply).



“10 years ago, I started working for the VA. I came for what the job could do for me. I quickly realized there is a mission here, not just a job. We can make money doing assigned tasks at any place. Here at the VA, we have a noble mission to provide care for Veterans. This career gives back to me more than what I put into it. I came for money and stability, but I found much more than that. I found a mission.”

Kevin Morrell, NFS Executive Chef
Finger Lakes VA Healthcare System, Bath, NY

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SAMPLE TOTAL REWARD\$

Let's do the math!

Find Your Total Reward\$ of a VA Career as a Food Service Worker

This Total Reward\$ sample is a generalized report reflecting the potential monetized value of a full VA compensation package for a full-time employee*



Sample Annual Total Reward\$ Worksheet

Compensation + Benefits = Your Total Reward\$*

Direct Compensation

Salary Examples	\$40,000	\$42,500	\$45,000
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Total Rewards of Benefits Provided by VA

Health Insurance Premium Subsidy	\$15,896	\$15,896	\$15,896
Social Security	\$2,480	\$2,635	\$2,790
Medicare	\$580	\$616	\$653
Basic Life Insurance	\$106	\$112	\$119
Thrift Savings Plan Federal 401(k) <small>(Employer Contributions)</small>	\$2,000	\$2,125	\$2,250
Federal Employee Retirement System <small>(FERS)</small>	\$6,640	\$7,055	\$7,470
Student Loan Repayment Program <small>(conditions apply, \$40k max/yr.)</small>	\$_____	\$_____	\$_____
Child Care Program <small>(maximum benefit/conditions apply)</small>	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Annual Total Reward\$	\$72,702	\$75,939	\$79,177

*This calculation is a sample only and does not constitute a contract of employment or a guarantee of benefits or future employment. Certain elements vary and are based on specific circumstances. If your service includes part-time calculations, your total reward\$ and benefits will be proportionally prorated. For more information, please see www.opm.gov.

Spend time with family and friends with paid leave

Take time off. At VA, you start your career with 37 to 50 days of paid time off each year. Paid vacation, sick leave, and 11 paid federal holidays accrue right away with no limit on carry-over of accumulated sick leave.



Combined Leave

Estimated total annual combined value of paid holidays, sick leave and annual leave (37 - 50 days):

Avg. Salary	Est. Total annual combined value (37 - 50 days)
\$40,000	\$5,673 - \$7,667
\$42,500	\$6,028 - \$8,146
\$45,000	\$6,382 - \$8,625



Paid Parental Leave

Estimated total paid parental leave (12 weeks, if taken conditions apply):

Avg. Salary	Est. Total paid parental leave (12 weeks, if taken)
\$40,000	\$9,200
\$42,500	\$9,775
\$45,000	\$10,350

This value estimate does not represent additional compensation, but rather the value of paid time off based on a \$40,000, \$42,500 and \$45,000 annual salary, number of 8-hour days of paid leave and holidays (37-50).