

Tesla Joins Ranks of Companies Recruiting Vets

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Tesla is looking to hire military veterans.

Hiring military veterans may come with some positive PR but there are plenty of other perks.

Tesla announced it is joining [a long list of companies](#) that are making a concerted effort to hire military veterans.

The electric car-maker is hiring hundreds of new employees at its Fremont plant and it says some of those already hired include military vets.

“Veterans are an ideal fit for Tesla. In addition to technical and mechanical skill, many of them have the ability to lead within a cooperative team – a trait that defines Tesla culture,” Tesla Co-founder and CEO Elon Musk said in a statement. “Hiring veterans perfectly complements Tesla’s mission to move toward energy security and stability.”

President Barack Obama's administration agrees. Last month, the president [said he was challenging private sector companies](#) to hire 100,000 post-9/11 veterans or their spouses by the end of 2013.

Mr. Obama said he would ask Congress to push two new tax credits, between \$2,400 and \$9,600, to reward companies who hire recently unemployed veterans.

Tesla joins several other companies who already actively hire military veterans. The list of companies includes Facebook, Amazon Home Depot, Rolls Royce, Sara Lee, ESPN and more.

There are also job boards where [veterans can search employers](#) who are looking for military vets.

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