

CDOT Wounded Warrior Program transitions veteran to Seattle!

Shawn Payne started his military career with the Marine Corps in August of 1994 and finished in April, 2009 as a Sargent (E-5). Shawn earned certifications as an Environmental Specialist and Safety Manager in the Marine Corps as well as Infantry Instructor at the School of Infantry. Before that he was with a light armored vehicle company where he was a Vehicle Commander of the LAV25 (pictured below). Shawn has been deployed five times during his military career. Two of the five deployments were combat missions to Iraq (2003 and 2005).

Shawn was hired under the Wounded Warrior Program on July 15, 2011 as an Administrative Assistant III at Camp George West, Maintenance and Operations Under Roy Smith. Shawn's last day of employment with CDOT was October 7, 2011 as he was offered full time in Seattle.

While employed with CDOT Shawn continued his efforts to look for full time employment, which included an application with Stericycle, a California based hazardous waste company which focuses in waste services and pharmaceuticals. Stericycle contacted and interviewed Shawn and ultimately offered him a full time position in Seattle, Washington. Shawn truly felt that because of his employment with CDOT as a state agency it gave him an advantage over other potential candidates who applied with Stericycle.

Shawn will be missed and we wish him well in Seattle. Shawn loved the program here at CDOT and all it offered him and his family. Thank you Shawn for your service and dedication to CDOT and to the country. Semper Fi!



CDOT's Wounded Warrior Program Coordinator, Greg A. Martinez gives a hand shake and a send-off to Shawn Payne, one of eleven veterans who have gone through CDOT's Wounded Warrior program.



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