The Invisible Wounds of War
Marguerite Guzman Bouvard
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Invisible in their suffering, an estimated 4,300 Iraq and Afghanistan vets have returned with crippling post-traumatic stress disorder, writes Guzman Bouvard. A resident scholar at Brandeis’s Women’s Studies Research Center, she calls for Americans to recognize the plight of male and female soldiers, unveiling the heavy psychological cost vets and their families continue to pay.

Courage After Fire for Parents of Service Members
Paula Domenici, Suzanne Best, & Keith Armstrong
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Rarely do we hear how parents are taking on the role of supporting their sons and daughters who have served our country. In countless ways these parents provide help, and when their military children suffer significant physical or psychological injuries, they may once again become their primary caretakers. For mothers and fathers and others in a parenting role, it can be overwhelming at times, and resources are limited. Courage after Fire for Parents of Service Members provides a compassionate and accessible guide for the parents or guardians of returning troops. This groundbreaking book acknowledges the significant contributions and sacrifices parents have made for their military children, provides strategies and resources that will assist them in understanding and supporting their son or daughter, and will validate their own personal experiences.

The War Comes Home
Aaron Glantz
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The Military.Com Guide to Military and Veterans Benefits
Terry Howell—Military.com
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Out of Uniform
Tom Wolfe
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Wolfe, a career coach, offers commonsense advice to those transitioning from the military to civilian careers. Supplying more than just tips on interviews and resumes, the book provides guidance on evaluating your own skills, planning a strategy for civilian employment, understanding the hidden job market, and different types of employment, such as sales, engineering, management, and government contracting. There is also advice on marketing yourself, dressing and speaking appropriately, salary negotiation, and fitting into the civilian work world.

Wheels Down
Bret A. Moore
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Moore, a former active-duty US Army psychologist and two-our veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom, joins with Kennedy, an aerospace psychologist at the Naval Aerospace Medical Institute, to provide commonsense advice in plain language for military personnel returning home. They address some of the most common problems returning service members experience, such as anger management, sleep disturbances, and suicidal thoughts. The book explains the impact of mild traumatic brain injury in accessible language, and discusses sensitive subjects such as dealing with the psychological and spiritual fallout of taking another human being’s life. Financial issues and divorce are also addressed.

Business Networking for Veterans
Michael P. Abrams, Michael Lawrence Faulkner, and Andrea R. Nierenberg
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Many professionals, including the very talented people of the military, find networking unnaturally difficult, or daunting. Yet networking is the key skill for finding a new job, building a career, and growing as a leader. Abrams, Faulkner and Nierenberg help our Veterans get started, enhance confidence, gain the competitive edge, and grow into a successful networker one step at a time. In short order the reader will learn how to flourish this skill and develop and grow a career-enhancing network that will sustain him/her for life.
Life After the Military
Janelle Hill

Hundreds of thousands of military members are making the transition to civilian life each year. This transition is a move into unfamiliar territory and can be an extremely uncomfortable process. However, there are resources in place that can relieve much of the stress of the challenging situations that may arise. In Life After the Military: A Handbook for Transitioning Veterans, authors Janelle Hill, Don Philpott, and Cheryl Law- home-Scott collect all the information needed to settle into life after the military in one volume. The book discusses many of the issues that transitioning veterans are faced with such as finding employment, going back to school, managing finances, special benefits available to veterans, and a host of other issues the transitioning veteran is likely to face when making the move to civilian life.

Fields of Combat
Erin P. Finley

Finley examines the cultural, political, and historical influences that shape individual experiences of PTSD and how its sufferers are perceived by the military, medical personnel, and society at large. New and highly effective treatments are revolutionizing how the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) provides trauma care, redefining the way PTSD itself is understood in the process. Carefully and compassionately untangling each of these conflicts, Fields of Combat reveals the very real implications they have for veterans living with PTSD and offers recommendations to improve how we care for this vulnerable but resilient population.

The Veteran’s Money Book
Mechel Lashawn Glass

Most of the 2.5 million men and women who were deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan received little education in personal finance during their service. Now these veterans are making the transition to civilian life with little knowledge of how to manage their money. In The Veteran’s Money Book, Army veteran Mechel Glass tells how she came home from war 20 years ago and took control of her financial life—and how post-9/11 veterans can, too.

Down Range
James D. Murray & William M. Duke

Written by veterans who have successfully made the transition, Down Range offers career planning guidance to U.S. military veterans coming off active duty. This book is a guide to developing a post-military career, not just for the first few days, weeks, or months after active duty, but for the rest of your employed life. This simple and effective planning process has been taught to more than 1 million business executives in companies all over the world. Author James Murphy is founder of Afterburner Inc. and is currently working with the U.S. Army at the highest levels to develop a transition program for the estimated 1.5 million veterans who will transition from active duty service to civilian careers by the year 2020. This book challenges veterans to change their mindset and understand just how different the “wilderness” of civilian employment is from military experience. Down Range provides an appreciation for what’s important to a business, helping you to become a valuable asset throughout your career.

150 Best Jobs for the Military-To-Civilian Transition
Laurence Shatkin

Veterans face many challenges as they seek civilian jobs. This one-of-a-kind book, based on a survey representing 1.5 million recent veterans, helps today’s returning military find the best job matches for their training, interests, personality, gender, and more. With 46 best jobs lists and 150 detailed job descriptions, the book covers the best-paying and fastest-growing occupations held by recent veterans. Veterans can transition to these jobs mainly using the skills learned in military service; some occupations may require additional training or licensure, and this information is explained as well.

Courage After Fire
Keith Armstrong

The bravery displayed by our soldiers at war is commonly recognized. However, often forgotten is the courage required by veterans when they return home and suddenly face reintegration into their families, workplaces, and communities. Authored by three mental health professionals with many years of experience counseling veterans, this book provides strategies and techniques for this challenging journey home. It offers soldiers and their families a comprehensive guide to dealing with the all-too-common repercussions of combat duty, including posttraumatic stress symptoms, anxiety, depression, and substance abuse. It details state-of-the-art treatments for these difficulties and outlines specific ways to improve couple and family relationships. The book also offers tips on areas such as rejoining the workforce and reconnecting with children.

Treating PTSD in Military Personnel
Ed. Bret A. Moore & Walter E. Penk

This book covers the range of effective treatments for posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and is particularly geared toward medical practitioners working with military members and veterans. Divided into two parts, treatment for PTSD in military personnel and associated specific clinical issues, topics discussed include understanding and working in the military culture, assessment issues, therapies employed, psychopharmacological treatment, rehabilitation, co-occurring affective and anxiety disorders, traumatic brain injury, sleep disorders, and more.

Expert Resumes for Military-To-Civilian Transitions
Wendy S. Enelow

Expert Resumes for Military-To-Civilian Transitions is a collection of superior professionally written resumes aimed at service members who are leaving the military and looking for a civilian job. This book gives resume strategies as well as 180 pages of sample resumes specifically written for people making the leap back into the private sector.