VUB Promotional Video Veterans Upward Bound

Cast – Timothy Peedin, Director Veterans Upward Bound / Wilson Lester, Outreach Coordinator

Emily Russell, VUB participant, Isaac Phillips, VUB participant

Timothy Peedin	Because I am a Veteran, and I did have the Veteran experience, I know what most Veterans are facing.
Isaac Phillips	I was nervous getting out because I did not know what my future was going to look like.
Emily Russell	• When you serve in the military for four or twenty or thirty years, high school was a long time ago; so college is a whole new game.
Wilson Lester	 I was familiar with what it was like to go to school as an adult and what challenges that presents. Wilson Lester, Outreach Coordinator, Veterans Upward Bound title appears on screen My name is Wilson Lester, and I am the Outreach Coordinator for Veterans Upward Bound at Central Carolina Community College
imothy Peedin	 I'm Timothy Peedin and I am the Director of Veterans Upward Bound Timothy Peedin, Director, Veterans Upward Bound title appears on screen
Isaac Phillips	 My name is Isaac Phillips and I am from Holly Springs, NC Isaac Phillips, Student, Veterans Upward Bound title appears on screen
Emily Russell	 My name is Emily Russell, and I am from Spring Lake, NC Emily Russell, Student, Veterans Upward Bound title appears on screen
imothy Peedin	 We know what Veterans need, we know what their experiences are, and we know where they want to go. We want to get them where they want to be. The program benefits Veterans by offering those prerequisite courses for college entrance.
Emily Russell	 The program was really easy to get into. They set me up with getting all my (you know) what courses wanted to refresh in and figure out kind of what I wanted to do.
Timothy Peedin	 Video shows Wilson Lester sitting at table working with a Veteran. Timothy Peedin is speaking in background We offer counseling, we offer mentorship, and we offer guidance. We help them fill out their financial aid applications. Video shows Timothy Peedin sitting at a desk reviewing paperwork. We help them with their college applications. Video shows Veterans at table We do workshops to prepare them to get back into the college life. We take trips out to colleges. We
	get them whatever they need. Video shows Timothy Peedin speaking

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Emily Russell	Video shows Emily Russell speaking
	Being in the military, I think that the most important thing that I really, really miss (and what was important to me) is the uniform and what it stood for. The respect that people gave you and what it meant. You put on this uniform every day and it means something. You know, it is not just putting on a pair of blue jeans, it's putting on a uniform that represents your country.
Isaac Phillips	Video shows Isaac Phillips speaking
	 There is this comradery that you build up when you are in the military and you go through things that only other people in the military go through
	Video shows Veterans in class / Isaac Phillips is speaking
	 So for me seeing other Veterans succeed through this program really brings me joy. Really makes m happy.
Wilson Lester	Video shows Wilson Lester speaking
	 What's really unique about Veterans Upward Bound is our objective is not to get you into any one school. Our objective is to get you to school and find the program that works best for you, or best for your family, or best for your schedule.
	Video shows Veterans commuting to school, getting backpacks out of cars, walking to class
	• We want to make sure that you are able to succeed. Each one of us are working simultaneously on something for somebody, and it is really special when it all comes together for everybody. We want them to know whatever they dream, whatever they think, whatever they desire, our goal is to assist them in getting there.
Isaac Phillips	 I will tell you this, it has helped me so much, you are not alone, and there is definitely strength in numbers. And, you will feel that comradery, you will feel that ease of having somebody else looking out for you. Whereas if you didn't get into the program, it will be all you're trying to do, you're struggling, I know how it feels to try to balance all that stuff. And, Veterans Upward Bound is able to help you balance the things you need to balance to be successful. Video shows Isaac working at desk in library
Emily Russell	Video shows Emily in library
	Because this program exists, I am able to feel confident, and like I can go on and have a great
	career, and have a great life, and finish everything that I started.
	Video ends and shows all School Logos

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