



## Johnny Jones Jr

Johnny Jones is the President and Co-Founder of the Nonprofit Organization, Tech4All Foundation, which aims to help Veterans, Persons of low-income, and youth get into tech. He also works as a Security Service Engineer II at Microsoft. He has a strong passion to help his fellow Marines and Veterans. In his current, not only is Johnny at the forefront of technology, but he dedicates his time on and off work mentoring veterans.

Johnny served in the United States Marine Corps as a Data Systems Chief. Joining in 2012, Johnny deployed three times supporting critical information systems. Johnny was frequently chosen to take on sensitive tasks such as deploying new technology for the first time overseas and serving on several unique task forces. In May of 2017, Johnny executed orders to Command Element 5th Marine Expeditionary Brigade. He served as the Cyber Engineer for a four-man cell embedded into a foreign military. During this time Johnny acted as a technical liaison to the foreign military regarding actions in the Red Sea. In January of 2018 the team lost its Intelligence Officer, leaving Johnny to step into that role in addition to his duties as the Systems Engineer. Sergeant Jones prepared and briefed Situation Reports to US and foreign General Officers and assisted in the coordination of movements and actions within the area of operation. Johnny's final role in the Marine Corps was as the director of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Marine Division Network Operation Center and was the responsible for the overhaul and training of the systems and staff. During this time Johnny built an internal classroom where Marines from the division could be upskilled in networking, security, and systems administration. Johnny also began a YouTube series, Military Transition Tips, covering topics service members should know prior to leaving the service to prepare for civilian life. This video series is aimed to be supplementary material to the Transition Readiness Seminar.

After leaving the operating forces, Johnny began mentoring students and veterans on subjects such as, technology, interviewing skills, job search and resume building. Johnny's mentoring of veterans, combined with his YouTube channel, led to the eventual founding of the Tech4All Foundation with several other veterans. This organization has been working in conjunction with other organizations to host webinars and symposiums to train veterans and other demographics.

After founding the organization, Johnny began working with the Microsoft's Military Affairs to help their Microsoft Software and Systems Academy course better challenge and support the veterans attending it. He was featured in several articles released by Microsoft highlighting his success in helping veterans in this space. Johnny is also deeply involved with the Veterans Community within the company and with the local VFW.

Johnny was awarded, throughout his career, three Navy and Marine Achievement Medals and a Navy and Marine Commendation Medal.