UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS FOR JOB SEEKERS

• Roswell United Methodist Church Job Networking will meet on Monday, March 26th, starting at 12:30 PM. No advance sign up is required. The day starts with 12 afternoon workshops, and 15 evening workshops / activities starting at 7:00 PM. Workshop Leaders are highly skilled professionals who volunteer their time and knowledge on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month at RUMC. Visit www.rumcjobnetworking.com for complete workshop details, times, and directions. Information on the website will tell you how you can sign up to join our RUMC Yahoo Groups to be notified daily about new job openings and how to apply.

• The Atlanta Center for Self Sufficiency (ACSS) seeks veteran referrals for its Veterans Employment and Assistance Program (VEAP). A VEAP CareerWorks Orientation is held on the last Tuesday and Wednesday of each month at 8:30 AM at ACSS (460 Edgewood Avenue, SE, Atlanta, GA). This program supports transitioning veterans in their efforts to re-enter the workforce. Veterans are encouraged to call or email ahead to confirm the dates. For more information, please contact Tramaine Isaac at 678-744-8576 or tramaine.isaac@atlanClick heretacss.org. Click here for a flyer.

• CobbWorks Literacy Council is offering FREE basic computer classes to eligible individuals. Classes are held at WorkSource Cobb (463 Commerce Park Drive, Ste 100, Marietta, GA). Microsoft Word (Windows 7) will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, until March 29th. Microsoft PowerPoint will be held on Saturdays, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, from April 14th to June 9th. Click here for information on eligibility guidelines and to print and complete an application. Click here for a flyer. For registration deadlines and further information, contact Donna Frankovsky at 770-528-8094 or email dfrankovsky@cobbworks.org.

• The Construction Ready Training Program is a four-week accelerated NCCER ACCREDITED, hands-on construction training and certification program that is offered in five locations in the Atlanta region. The Construction Ready program connects students trainees to some of Atlanta’s top construction companies, which quite often leads to employment. This is a FREE background friendly and drug-free class for all eligible residence in the City of Atlanta and the following counties: Cobb, Cherokee, Clayton, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry and Rockdale. Interested participants, MUST attend an information session to start the process of enrollment. To learn more about Construction Ready, click here. To learn more about Construction Ready’s Training Partner HB NEXT, click here. Click here for a Construction Ready flyer. If you have any questions as to what Information Session you should attend please contact Veda White, Student Success Manager, at 404-
692-1542 or email veda.white@cefga.org. Please see the following information session locations to apply:

- Construction Ready at the Build Cobb Partnership will have information sessions at The Collective at Cumberland (3110 Sports Avenue, Smyrna GA) every Tuesday and Thursday, at 9:00 AM for Cobb County residents. Click here to sign up for the next Information Session.

- Construction Ready at The Center for Working Families will host information sessions on Wednesdays from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Dunbar Center (477 Windsor Street, SW, Suite 101, Atlanta, Georgia) Priority enrollment is for residents of NPU-V in 30310, 30312 and 30315 (Mechanicsville, Pittsburgh, Peoplestown, Adair Park and Summerhill). Click here to sign up for the next information session.

- Construction Ready at Aerotropolis Atlanta is offering priority enrollment in information sessions for residents of 30213, 30236, 30238, 30260, 30273, 30274, 30288, 30291, 30294, 30296, 30297, 30310, 30311, 30315, 30331, 30337, 30344, 30349, 30354 zip codes. Click here to sign up for the next information session.

- Construction Ready at Gwinnett is offering information sessions for all interested applicants in Gwinnett County. Click here to sign up for the next information session.

- Construction Ready at Westside Works (692 Lindsay Street, NW, Atlanta, GA) will host information sessions on Wednesdays at 9:30 AM for residents of zip codes 30314 and 30318. Click here to sign up for the next information session.

Goodwill of North Georgia is hosting Employer Job Fairs and Weekly Hiring Events in the months of March and April at all 13 Goodwill Career Centers. The following new funding opportunities support job seekers through Goodwill: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Works Program (snapworks@ging.org), with funds available for able bodied adults eligible for or receiving food stamps, and Good Transitions: Young Adult (DOL-ETA) Program (ctaylor2@ging.org) with funds available for individuals 18-24 who have had involvement with the criminal justice system in high poverty high crime areas. To learn more about all that Goodwill has to offer, interested participants can attend any information session at a Goodwill Career Center near you. Goodwill is also actively recruiting for job training programs in February and March at the following sites. Click here to register on Career Connector for Virtual Services and find additional career center information and locations.

- Decatur – Customer Service Contact Center and GoodBiz Entrepreneur Training – Thursdays, 2:00 PM, Decatur Career Center (2201 Lawrenceville Highway, Suite 200, Decatur, GA), (404) 554-9600

- Duluth – GoodBiz Entrepreneur Training – Tuesdays, 11:00 AM, Duluth Career Center (1502 Pleasant Hill Road, Duluth, GA), (770) 564-2447

- Smyrna – Forklift Training Information Session – Wednesdays, 2:00 PM, Smyrna Career Center (205 South Cobb Drive, Smyrna, GA) (678) 766-8173
South DeKalb – Forklift and Floor Technician Custodial Training Information Session –
Wednesdays, 2:00 PM, South DeKalb Career Center (1295 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA), (404) 728-8605

National Career Fairs is hosting its next Atlanta Career Fair on Thursday, March 29th, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at the Ramada Plaza Atlanta (450 Capital Park, Atlanta, GA). The fair will provide job seekers with opportunities to meet employers face-to-face, apply for jobs, and get hired while at the event. Click here for a flyer.

Gwinnett Technical College is hosting CareerWorx on Thursday, March 29th, from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM, on its Lawrenceville Campus (5150 Sugarloaf Parkway, Lawrenceville, GA). At CareerWorx, high school students and the community will explore dozens of “hands-on” activities and talk with employers who love to hire Gwinnett Tech grads! The event is open to high school students and families with 8th to 12th graders as well as all members of the community. Click here for a flyer. Click here for a registration link.

The Atlanta Metropolitan State College is hosting the AMSC Open House on Friday, March 30th, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at its Main Campus – Student Center (1630 Metropolitan Parkway, Atlanta, GA). Prospective students are welcome. For more information, contact Meyuna Shepherd at 404-756-4000 or mshepherd@atlm.edu.

The Latin American Association is hosting the 3rd Annual Conference for Latino Women on Saturday, March 31st, from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM, at the Infinite Energy Center (6400 Sugarloaf Parkway, Duluth, GA). The conference is one-of-a-kind experience drawing over a 1,000 attendees from across metro Atlanta and surrounding areas for an experience designed to inspire, empower and equip attendees with the tools they need to become a change agent in their own lives, their households and their communities. Click here for more information. Click here for a flyer in Spanish. Click here to register.

Per Scholas Atlanta is now in the selection process and taking applications for the April 2018 Coding | Web Development class as well as the June 2018 IT Support Training. Per Scholas Atlanta, in partnership with General Assembly, is offering a tuition-free 17-week Coding | Web Development training. After five weeks of learning the basics in web development, students are given the opportunity to matriculate into General Assembly’s 12-week Web Development Immersive training to become a full-stack web developer. Per Scholas Atlanta is also offering IT Support Training, a 10-week, full-time, tuition-free training leading to CompTIA A+ professional certification. Students are led through rigorous,
hands-on curriculum by a technology instructor, learning about computer hardware and software, setting up networks, troubleshooting mobile devices, and much more. Graduates are prepared for entry-level employment in IT as Desktop Support Specialists, IT Support Analysts and Network Field Technicians. A High School Diploma or Equivalent is required with minimal experience in Information Technology for both offerings. The Per Scholas IT Support student must be able to attend the 10-week training full time, Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The Per Scholas Web Development student must be able to attend the 17-week training full time, Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Per Scholas graduates are supported up to two years with career coaching and additional tuition-free educational opportunities. Applications can be completed at www.perscholas.org.

- WorkSource Atlanta is hosting an IT Careers and Opportunities Orientation on the first Tuesday of each month. The next session is on Tuesday, April 3rd, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM, at the agency's offices (818 Pollard Boulevard, SW, Atlanta, GA). The orientation will discuss high demand job opportunities within the field of IT and how WorkSource Atlanta can provide assistance to gain employment in the IT industry. Click here for a flyer.

- WorkSource Cobb is hosting FREE workshops presented by Terence Norman during the month of April, from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM, at the Cobb Works Workforce Development Center (463 Commerce Park Drive, Marietta, GA). Terence is a veteran human resource professional and is the director of HR at Birla Carbon. Prior attendees have called him “a phenomenal teacher/mentor” and an “outstanding presenter.” To register, call 770-528-4300 or send an email to information@cobbworks.org with your name, address, phone number, & workshop selection.
  - Behind the Scenes of Resumes: HR’s Perspective – Thursday, April 5th – Ever wondered how you stand against the competition? This workshop will give you an inside look on HR’s perspective of your resume.
  - Getting it Right: Writing a Resume – Thursday, April 12th – Making a positive, lasting impression is important, with this workshop you will learn how to properly write your resume to express your skill set and qualifications.
  - Resume and Interviewing Alignment – Thursday, April 19th – Whip those interview skills into shape with this interview workshop specifically designed to improve your performance.
  - Interview Techniques – Tuesday, April 24th – Interviewing well is an important skill to possess in the business world, with this free workshop you will learn the techniques necessary to succeed.

- CyQuest Business Solutions, Inc. is hosting a Job & Career Fair on Thursday, April 12th, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, at the Morrow Center at Southlake Mall (1180 Southlake Circle, Suite 100,
Morrow, GA). The human resources outsourcing company is now accepting applications for administrative support, customer service, warehouse workers, forklift drivers, restaurant, and management positions. Click here to register.

- The Science, Engineering and Mathematics Link Inc. (SEM Link) will host its 11th Annual Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Career Fair and Exhibition on Saturday, April 14th, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at the Morehouse College Kilgore Student Center (830 Westview Drive, Atlanta, GA). This event will provide K-12 students and their families with an opportunity to explore careers and meet and interact with professionals in the STEM fields. Click here to register.

- The City of Refuge will start its next class for its Customer Service Program on Monday, April 16th and on Monday, June 4th, from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at the Workforce Innovation Hub (1300 Joseph E. Boone Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA). As part of the program, a mandatory financial literacy class is held on Fridays from 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM. This is a five-week program. Click here for more information and a registration link.

- The City of Refuge will start its next class for its Culinary Program on Thursday, April 19th, from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM, at the Workforce Innovation Hub (1300 Joseph E. Boone Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA). This is a 10-week program. Click here for more information and a registration link.

- The 100,000 Opportunities InitiativeTM – a coalition of more than 50 U.S. companies including FedEx, HMSHost, Starbucks, Yum! Brands, Walmart and more – has picked Atlanta for its next Opportunity Youth Hiring Fair on Tuesday, May 3rd, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, at the Georgia World Congress Center (285 Andrew Young International Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA). The day long job and resource fair will provide youth with hundreds of on-the-spot interviews and employment offers, and access to career resources, resume development, practice interviews, assistance creating online candidate profiles, as well as mentoring and coaching support. Click here for information on the kickoff of this initiative in the Atlanta region on January 31st. Employers wishing to participate in this fair are encouraged to contact Marie Davis (marie.davis@100kopportunities.org) or Megan Zamora (mzamora@starbucks.com). Community based organizations interested in learning more about how best to engage the youth you serve are encouraged to contact Sean Greenlee (sgreenle@starbucks.com). More information on the 100,000 Opportunities InitiativeTM can be found here.
• Employment Seeker Publication, LLC, is hosting the Veterans Career Fair & Diversity Job Expo on Thursday, May 10th, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at the Cobb Galleria Centre (2 Galleria Parkway, Atlanta, GA). The expo will connect job seekers with more than 30 human resource managers hiring for over 500 positions. Candidates must register and post their resumes online and bring a confirmation email to enter the event. Click here for more information. Click here for a link to register.

• City Career Fairs is hosting the 18th Annual Diversity Employment Day Career Fair and Roundtables on Wednesday, June 6th, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM, at the Ramada Plaza Atlanta (Downtown Capitol Park, 450 Capitol Avenue, SE, Atlanta, GA). The fair will feature more than 30 major employers representing hundreds of employment opportunities from entry to professional level for job seekers 18 years and older. Click here for more information. Click here to register.

• Fathers Incorporated's 2nd Annual Fatherhood Expo: Employment & Education Resource Fair will take place on Saturday, June 16th, from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM, at the Greenbriar Mall (2841 Greenbriar Parkway, SW, Atlanta, GA). The day of activities will include entertainment for the children, giveaways, presentations, and tons of resources for fathers and their families. The resource fair will provide attendees with the opportunity to meet human service providers (workforce development, parenting, housing, financial literacy, homelessness, fatherhood programs, mentoring programs, education and training etc.), as well as representatives from governmental service agencies (local, state and federal). Providers and governmental representatives interested in joining the fair can click here to register.

Click here for the MAX Calendar of Events for job seekers.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPERS

• The Greater North Fulton Chamber of Commerce will host a Technology Summit at Tuesday, March 27th, beginning at 7:30 AM to 10:00 AM, at the Atlanta Athletic Club featuring keynote from Mr. Ronald W. Pontius, Deputy to the Commanding General, U.S. Army Cyber Command. The event includes an opportunity for attendees to engage with over 40 high school and college students primarily from Fulton County Schools, Georgia State University, and Gwinnett Technical College to solve a cyber challenge facilitated by State Farm. Chamber leaders will also provide an update on the work of the Talent Coalition and its partnerships, development efforts, and results. Click here for more information and a link to register. Click here for a flyer on sponsorship opportunities. Click here to register.
The Georgia Tech Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER), in partnership with the USA India Business Summit (UIBS), is hosting the Disruptive Technologies: Implications for Global Workforce and Markets Seminar on Wednesday, April 4th, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM, at the Technology Square Research Building (85 Fifth Street, NW, Atlanta, GA). The seminar will focus on mobile technologies, robotics and automation, artificial intelligence, and the internet of things (IoT). Click here for a flyer. Click here to register.

Workforce GPS, an interactive online communication and learning technical assistance platform sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor’s Employment and Training Administration (ETA), is hosting the Reentry Employment Opportunities (REO) 2018 Applicant Information webinar on Friday, April 6th, from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM. This webinar will discuss the major features of the 2018 Reentry Projects Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) which include applicant eligibility, rating criteria and the evaluation of these projects. Interested applicants will have the opportunity to ask questions following the webinar. Click here to register.

The Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, in partnership with the National Fund for Workforce Solutions, the Aspen Institute, and the Good Companies, Good Jobs Initiative at the Sloan School of Management, presents the third webinar, in the Investing in America’s Workforce: Engaging Workers in Creating Good Jobs series on Thursday, April 26th, from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Why aren’t there more good jobs? What factors facilitate—or hinder— the creation of high-quality jobs? In this webinar, you will learn about some of the latest research on these questions. The webinar will include an overview of recent research on job quality—and of debates about “high-road” vs. “low-road” employment practices. You will also gain new insights into factors that affect job quality in two industries—long-term care and retail—that each employ large numbers of low-paid workers in the U.S. Click here for more information and to register.

The National Association of Workforce Development Professionals (NAWDP) is hosting its 2018 Annual Conference from Sunday, May 20th to Thursday, May 24th, at the Sheraton Grand Phoenix (340 N 3rd Street, Phoenix, AZ). This event brings together nearly 1,000 workforce development leaders, managers, decision-makers, front-line customer service representatives and more and features nearly 100 learning opportunities. Click here for more information. Click here to register.

honorCode is hosting the 2018 Teacher Academy for Education Professionals from Monday, June 11th, to Friday, June 15th, in Atlanta, GA. The honorCode Teacher Academy program was created to cultivate teacher leadership capacity by exploring multiple dimensions of self and culture while
learning how to bring employer-aligned project-based learning into their classrooms. The program goals are to (1) prepare teachers to weave Computer Science and Social-Emotional Learning into their classrooms and (2) build a Professional Learning Community prepared to leverage corporate and industry professionals to enhance K12 education. honorCode is looking to train over fifty (50) K12 educators through this flagship program, and the support does not end in June. After the academy, the group will continue to meet once-a-month as a cohort through the 2018-2019 school year to support these educators moving the needle in their classrooms and also communities. Through the 10-month experience, teachers will also have direct opportunities through the 2018-2019 school year to make relationships with some key industries to leverage their resources within your schools and organizations. Click here for a flyer.

- The International Association of Workforce Professionals (IAWP) is hosting its 2018 Workforce Development Conference from Sunday, June 17th through Wednesday, June 20th, at the historic Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza (35 West Fifth Street, Cincinnati, OH). Join workforce professionals from across the globe as we convene in Cincinnati to discuss the latest trends and information relative to workforce professionals. Click here for more information.

- The National Career Pathways Network (NCPN) presents the Career Pathways Leadership Certification Summer Institute from Monday, June 18th to Tuesday, June 19th, at the Hilton Garden Inn Las Vegas (7830 S. Las Vegas Blvd., Las Vegas, NV). The institute is designed for current and future career pathways leaders working in career and technical education, adult education, counseling, corrections, or other workforce development fields. Click here for a registration link.

- The National Career Pathways Network (NCPN) presents the Career Pathways Leadership Certification Summer Institute from Thursday, June 21st to Friday, June 22nd, at the Comfort Suites - Nashville (2521 Elm Hill Pike, Nashville, TN). The institute is designed for current and future career pathways leaders working in career and technical education, adult education, counseling, corrections, or other workforce development fields. Click here for a registration link.

- WorkSource Georgia is excited to announce the dates for the third annual WorkSource Georgia WIOA Convening. Next year’s Convening will be held from Monday, August 13th to Wednesday, August 15th at the Classic Center in Athens, Georgia. The WorkSource Georgia Convening brings together state and local leaders in Georgia’s workforce system for networking and sharing of best practices that have helped Georgia remain “the No. 1 State for Business.” SAVE THE DATE for this exciting opportunity and stay tuned for more information in the coming months. For more information, please contact the GDEcD Workforce Division’s Manoa Daniel (mdaniel@georgia.org) for more information.
The National Career Pathways Network (NCPN) is holding its National Career Pathways Network Conference from Thursday, October 11th to Friday, October 12th in Louisville, KY at the Galt House Hotel (140 N Fourth St, Louisville, KY). There will be 100+ sessions at the conference, pre-conference workshops and tours on Wednesday, October 10th, and many networking opportunities. The presenter proposal form is available at www.ncpn.info. The deadline for submission is March 30. Please contact dmills@cord.org or swilson@cord.org with questions.