

MAX MONDAYS: SEPTEMBER 4, 2018

Greetings on this Monday Tuesday!

Here are some updates for MAX partners... Special thanks to everyone for your submittals and efforts to keep our workforce development community informed!

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UPCOMING EVENTS FOR JOB SEEKERS

- WorkSource Atlanta is hosting an IT Careers and Opportunities Orientation on Tuesday,
 September 4th, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at our WorkSource Atlanta (818 Pollard Boulevard,
 SW, Atlanta, GA). This orientation is held on the first Tuesday of every month. 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.
- The **U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs** is hosting the **VA Vocational Services Orientation** for Veterans on Tuesdays in September 4th , 11th, 18th, 25th at the **VA Fort McPherson Campus**, Building B (1701 Hardee Avenue, SE, Atlanta, GA). This orientation is held on every Tuesday during weeks without a Federal holiday. Veterans who want to work can learn about the opportunities available to them from the VA and its partners. Topics include Compensated Work Therapy, Training, Benefits, Resume Writing, Job Search and Coaching, and more. Contact tracy.roberts3@va.gov for more information.
- 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, <u>click here</u>. 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 <u>veda.white@cefga.org</u>. 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. <u>Click here</u> 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. <u>Click here</u> to sign up for the next information session.
- Goodwill of North Georgia is hosting Weekly Job Training Information Sessions 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 offers, interested participants can attend an information session at any Goodwill Career Center. Goodwill is also actively recruiting for job training programs in September at the sites noted below. Click here to register on Career Connector for Virtual Services and find additional career center information and locations.
 - Decatur Customer Service Contact Center Training Information Sessions –
 Thursdays, 2:00 PM, Decatur Career Center (2201 Lawrenceville Highway, Suite 200,
 Decatur, GA), 404-554-9600.
 - Duluth Skills Training Information Sessions Tuesdays, 11:00 AM, Duluth Career Center (1502 Pleasant Hill Road, Duluth, GA), contact Anthony Sims at asims@ging.org or 770-921-3873 for more information.
 - Smyrna Forklift Training Information Sessions Wednesdays, 2:00 PM, Smyrna Career Center (205 South Cobb Drive, Smyrna, GA), 678-766-8173.
 - South DeKalb Highway Construction, Forklift, Floor Technician Custodial and Maintenance Technician Training Information Sessions – Wednesdays, 2:00 PM, South



- DeKalb Career Center (1295 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA), 404-728-8605. Contact Ray Bryant at drbryant@ging.org for more information.
- South DeKalb Goodwill Skills Training Information Sessions Wednesdays, 2:00 PM;
 South DeKalb Career Center (1295 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA), 404-728-8605.
 Contact Ray Bryant at drbryant@ging.org for more information.
- South DeKalb NEW Certified Healthcare Environmental Service Technician (CHEST) training, please email Ruquais Wiley at rwiley@ging.org today. Information Sessions Wednesdays, 2:00 PM, South DeKalb Career Center (1295 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA), 404-728-8644 or contact Rose Perry at rperry@ging.org.
- The Urban League of Greater Atlanta is hosting Film and Television Industry Information Sessions on Wednesday, September 5th, from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM, at The Urban League's Empowerment Center (72 Marietta Street, NW, Atlanta, GA). These sessions are held on the first Wednesday of each month. In the sessions, individuals will learn about training & funding opportunities, networking strategies, film industry terminology, union and associations, upcoming film industry events, and upcoming industry specific sessions. Registration is required for all sessions. For more information on sessions please contact Tamara Roulhac, Film Industry Career & Employment Specialist at TRoulhac@ulgatl.org or by at (404) 546-3651. Click here for a flyer. Click here to register.
- The City of Refuge Workforce Innovation Hub is hosting a First Step Staffing Orientation Session on the following Wednesdays in September 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th at 1 PM, in the Workforce Hub's Gary Rollins Room (1300 Joseph E. Boone Boulevard, NW, Atlanta, GA). This session, held every Wednesday, is to learn about the employment opportunities available through First Step for those experiencing homelessness, returning citizens, and veterans. Job seekers should bring two forms of identification and let the security guard know they present for the First Step Staffing orientation. Click here for a flyer.
- Atlanta Metropolitan State College (AMSC) is hosting Fall 2018 Orientation on the Thursday, September 6th, from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, at AMSC's Edwin A. Thompson Sr. Student Center, Building 800 (1630 Metropolitan Parkway, SW, Atlanta, GA). Admission to the orientation program will cease promptly at 10:30 AM. Lunch will be provided for registered participants only. The college has a cafeteria and bookstore available for guests to make food purchases. Click here to register. Prospective students can apply to AMSC by clicking here.
- The Georgia Department of Human Services' iWORC (Interagency Workforce Opportunity Resource Committee) will present an Education, Employment, and Resource Expo on Saturday, September 8th, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM, at Atlanta Metropolitan State College's Charles F. Easley Senior Conference Pavilion (1630 Metropolitan Parkway, SW, Atlanta, GA). The resource fair will provide attendees with the opportunity to meet human service providers (workforce development, housing, financial literacy, homelessness, fatherhood programs, employment, education etc.) The event is free and open to the public and providers. The day of activities will include free food, entertainment, giveaways, and tons of resources for



individuals and families. Job seekers are welcome to attend and bring a friend. <u>Click here</u> for an invite flyer.

- Roswell United Methodist Church Job Networking meets again, Monday, September 10th, starting at 12:30 PM. Workshops, led by highly skilled professionals who volunteer their time and knowledge, are held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month at RUMC. No advance sign up is required. The day starts with 12 afternoon workshops, and 15 evening workshops / activities starting at 7:00 PM. 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 **U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs** is hosting the **VA Vocational Services Orientation** for Veterans on the following Tuesdays in September 11th, 18th, and 25th at 8:30 AM, at the **VA Fort McPherson Campus**, Building B (1701 Hardee Avenue, SE, Atlanta, GA). This orientation is held on every Tuesday during weeks without a Federal holiday. Veterans who want to work can learn about the opportunities available to them from the VA and its partners. Topics include Compensated Work Therapy, Training, Benefits, Resume Writing, Job Search and Coaching, and more. Contact tracy.roberts3@va.gov for more information.
- The Urban League of Greater Atlanta is holding Information Sessions for its upcoming YouthBuild Program on the following Tuesdays September 11th and September 18th from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM, at the Carpenters' Local Union #225 (3500 Atlanta Industrial Drive, NW, Atlanta, GA) in Classroom 4. YouthBuild, a program sponsored through the U.S. Department of Labor, prepares youth for a career in construction. Enrollment space is limited. Click here for a link to more information to share with the youth you serve. Click here for a flyer. Interested youth can contact Dr. Jeff Anderson at 404-659-6579.
- National Career Fairs is having its Atlanta Career Fair on Tuesday, September 11th, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at the Ramada Plaza Atlanta by Wyndham at Atlanta Downtown Capitol Park (450 Capitol Avenue, SE, Atlanta, GA). This event features hundreds of job opportunities and provides job seekers with the potential to get hired while at the event. Click here to register.
- The Center for Working Families, Inc., WorkSource Atlanta, and WorkSource Fulton are hosting the UPS Community Recruitment Event for Package Handlers on Tuesday, September 11th, through pre-screening sessions at 10:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 1:00 PM, and 2:00 PM at the City of Atlanta Rosel Fann Recreation Center (365 Cleveland Avenue, SE, Atlanta, GA). Job seekers should click here to register ahead of time to attend one of the available sessions. Click here for a flyer.
- The Association of Professional Schools of International Affairs (APSIA) will host its Graduate School Fair on Wednesday, September 12th, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, at the Center for Civil and Human Rights (100 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd., NW, Atlanta, GA). APSIA brings together the leading graduate schools around the world, which specialize in international affairs. The organization helps students, schools, organizations, and partners transform themselves into more effective



agents of positive change. At the fair, prospective students will have the opportunity to meet with admissions officers from APSIA member schools; discussion admission requirements, curricula, financial aid packages, joint degree programs, and career opportunities; and collect application information. Click here to register.

- The Ocee Branch Library of the Atlanta-Fulton Public Library System is hosting its annual Career and College Planning Job Fair on Saturday, September 15th, from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM, at the library (5090 Abbotts Bridge Road, Johns Creek, GA). Teens and adults are welcome to join in this opportunity to connect with members of metro-Atlanta community for internship, volunteer and career opportunities. College, medical, government, retail and business organizations will be onsite and ready to speak. Job seekers and prospective students are encouraged to bring resumes and cover letters for review. This event presents a unique opportunity to plan one's future career path. Click here to register.
- WorkSource DeKalb is hosting Workforce Wednesday, on Wednesday, September 19th, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at New Birth MBC (6400 Woodrow Road, Lithonia, GA). Workforce Wednesday is designed to connect DeKalb County residents to eligible training providers and employers in a centralized location. DeKalb County residents can learn about Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) eligibility requirements, meet with eligible training providers and learn about high demand careers. The event will equip DeKalb County residents and employers with resources to assist individuals in overcoming barriers to employment, education and economic development. WorkSource DeKalb has confirmed employers to meet with job seekers. Interested candidates are encouraged to come in job ready attire and should click here to register. Click here for a flyer. For more information about Workforce Wednesday, contact Chanell Davis at (404) 371-4996 or cdavis@dekalbcountyga.gov and interested employers should contact Malia Evans at (404) 687-3404 or mlevans1@dekalbcountyga.gov. For more information about WorkSource DeKalb, visit www.worksourcedekalb.org or call (404) 687-3400.
- Juma Atlanta will hold its next Juma Atlanta "Higher Event" from Monday, September 24th, through Wednesday,. September 26th, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at the Juma office (137 Peachtree Street, SW, Atlanta, GA). Through this event, Juma is recruiting young adults, ages 18-24, for its YouthConnect Program. Qualified applicants receive on the job training at SunTrust Park & Mercedes Benz Stadium over the sports seasons. The six-month program provides Jumans the skill sets needed toward the road to self-sufficiency via three key program components: Earn, Learn, Connect. Jumans earn money and the skills to change their future, obtain job-readiness and increase soft-skills. Various certifications and trainings are provided that include two-weeks of Customer Service Training, Sexual Harassment Sessions, Logistics, AED, First-Aid and CPR training. Jumans also learn money management from sessions led by representatives from SunTrust and Regions Banks. Finally, Jumans are connected to entry-level work opportunities from our growing list of national employer partners: Southwest Airlines, CVS, and Amazon, to UPS, Starbucks, T-Mobile and more. Contact Sharon Rowell, Career Coach at 404-476-9835 or sharon@juma.org for more information. To participate, job seekers should first click here to complete the online application.



- Choice Career Fairs will hold its Atlanta Career Fair on Thursday, October 18th, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at the Doubletree by Hilton Atlanta Perimeter Dunwoody (4386 Chamblee Dunwoody Road, Atlanta, GA). Job seekers will meet face-to-face with hiring decision-makers. Click here for a link to register.
- Best Hire Career Fairs will host its Atlanta Career Fair on Thursday, October 25th, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at The Westin Peachtree Plaza Atlanta (210 Peachtree Street, NW, Atlanta, GA). A wide range of industries will be represented at the fair to provide job seekers with interviews and potential on-the-spot hires. Click here for more information and a link to register.
- National Career Fairs is having its Atlanta Career Fair on Thursday, November 8th, from 11:00
 AM to 2:00 PM, at the Ramada Plaza Atlanta by Wyndham at Atlanta Downtown Capitol Park
 (450 Capitol Avenue, SE, Atlanta, GA). This event features hundreds of job opportunities and
 provides job seekers with the potential to get hired while at the event. Click here to register.
- Employer Seeker Publication, LLC is hosting the Veterans Career Fair & Diversity Job Expo on Thursday, December 13th, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at the Hilton Atlanta Perimeter Suites (6120 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, Atlanta, GA). This expo will feature more than 30 HR managers hiring for over 500 available positions. The Job Fair is FREE and open to the public. Click here to register.
- Choice Career Fairs will hold its Atlanta Career Fair on Thursday, December 13th, from 11:00
 AM to 2:00 PM, at the Doubletree by Hilton Atlanta Perimeter Dunwoody (4386 Chamblee
 Dunwoody Road, Atlanta, GA). Job seekers will meet face-to-face with hiring decision makers. Click here for a link to register.

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

TIME-SENSITIVE TRAINING PROGRAM ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORKFORCE MEMBERS AND JOB SEEKERS

• Generation Atlanta is currently enrolling participants for its next Generation Hospitality Training Program which will run from Monday, September 10th through Saturday, October 13th. The class will take place from Mondays through Fridays, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at Club e (3707 E. Main Street, College Park, GA). Participants will have the opportunity to learn hospitality skills, meet HR managers and general managers of hotels located around the airport, and participate in mock interviews, hotel site visits and resume and cover letter building workshops. Participants will receive a weekly stipend of \$100 for their participation in the program and will receive one-on-one job placement sessions to secure employment in the hospitality industry. Click here for a flyer.



- The **City of Refuge** will start its next class for its **Culinary Program** on the Monday, September 10th. The class runs from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM and are held at the **Workforce Innovation Hub** (1300 Joseph E. Boone Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA). This is a 10-week program. <u>Click here</u> for more information and a registration link.
- The City of Refuge will start its next classes for its Customer Service Program on Monday, September 24th. Classes run from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM and are held 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 fiveweek program. Click here for more information and a registration link.
- WorkSource Cobb and CobbWorks will start sessions on Microsoft EXCEL Basic Training on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, from 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM beginning Tuesday, October 2nd, at WorkSource Cobb/Cobb Works (463 Commerce Park Drive, Suite 100, Marietta, GA). Session topics include navigating the Excel interface, creating and saving a basic workbook, entering data into cells, performing simple calculations, and formatting a worksheet. While the sessions are free, registration is required by September 25th. Click here for a flyer. Those interested can register by calling 770-528- 4300 or emailing information@cobbworks.org.
- ABCs of Customs Brokerage is now accepting applications for its next Certified Customs Specialist class which will run from Monday, October 22nd through Thursday, November 1st. This 9-day, 72-hour dynamic training program prepares students to enter or advance as an international trade administrator, providing entry-level workers with the skills and knowledge equivalent to one year of experience as a customs specialist and the opportunity to earn national certification as a Certified Customs Specialist through the National Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association of America's National Educational Institute. Applicants must have state ID, high school diploma or GED, basic computer skills, and resume. To apply, email Donna Mullins at donna@mullinsintlsolutions.com. Click here for a flyer.

ONGOING TRAINING PROGRAM ENROLLMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORKFORCE MEMBERS AND JOB SEEKERS

• Atlanta Public Schools – Adult Education offers FREE GED and English as a Second Language classes in over 14 locations throughout Fulton County. This is an all-year round program with weekly enrollment open to residents in any county. Through employer, post-secondary and workforce development partnerships, the program helps to connect students with top industries and more via career pathway opportunities. The program also assist the English language learner in developing English literacy and basic skills. Classes are offered morning, afternoon, evening and now, online for GED! Those interested in participating in a class can call (404) 802-3560 for more information. Click here for a flyer for the GED classes. Click here for a flyer for Online GED classes.



- Atlanta Technical College's Adult Education Department offers free Adult Literacy and GED preparation classes year round. The program is self-paced with excellent instructors, an educational plan based on your needs in an interactive and supportive environment. We also assist students with furthering their education and developing skills need to successfully compete in today's workforce. Classes are offered at our two locations: Atlanta Technical College Main Campus (1560 Metropolitan Parkway, Atlanta GA) or at our Clayton County site (located at Paradise Community Development Corporation, 4295 Hendrix Drive, Forest Park, GA). Job seekers can register Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM or on Fridays, from 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM, in Building F, New Connections, on the main campus. Clayton County site registration hours are Monday and Wednesday from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM and Thursday from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.
- The **Bobby Dodd Institute** is now offering training to become **ServeSafe Certified**. The certification classes are available on site at BDI (2120 Marietta Blvd NW, Atlanta, GA) and can also be held at other locations upon request. To find out more about this opportunity and to register, please contact Monique Bell at 678-365-2281 or Monique.bell@bobbydodd.org.
- Juma Atlanta recruiting young adults aged 18-24 for its YouthConnect Program. Qualified applicants receive on the job training at SunTrust Park & Mercedes Benz Stadium over the sports seasons. The six-month program provides Jumans the skill sets needed toward the road to self-sufficiency via three key program components: Earn, Learn,
 Connect. Jumans earn money and the skills to change their future, obtain job-readiness and increase soft-skills. Various certifications and trainings are provided that include two-weeks of Customer Service Training, Sexual Harassment Sessions, Logistics, AED, First-Aid and CPR training. Jumans also learn money management from sessions led by representatives from SunTrust and Regions Banks. Finally, Jumans are connected to entry-level work opportunities from our growing list of national employer partners: Southwest Airlines, CVS, and Amazon, to UPS, Starbucks, T-Mobile and more. Contact Sharon Rowell, Career Coach, at 404-476-9835 or sharonr@juma.org for more information or click here to visit Juma's website.
- Per Scholas Atlanta is now in the selection process and taking applications for its 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.

- Southern Crescent Technical College offers FREE GED preparation classes through the Southern Crescent Adult Education Department. Southern Crescent's adult education department prepares a competitive workforce in Butts, Fayette, Henry, Jasper, Lamar, Pike, Spalding, and Upson counties through educational programs that deliver 21st century skills which are designed to be responsive to the individual needs of the learner. Classes in Butts County are offered from 6:00 to 9:00 PM on Mondays through Thursdays. Classes in Fayette County are offered from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM on Mondays through Thursdays, from 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM on Mondays through Thursdays, and from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Classes in Jasper County are offered from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Classes in Lamar County are offered from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays and from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Classes in Spalding County are offered on Mondays through Thursdays at the following time intervals: 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM, 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM, 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM, and 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Classes in Upson County are offered from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM on Mondays through Thursdays, from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays. To register for GED prep classes, prospective students can click here or call 770-229-3176.
- The WorkSource Atlanta Regional NextGen (Youth) Program is accepting applicants for its Social Welfare Program Initiative (SWPI), a program to prepare young adults to secure a future that relies on self-sufficiency through family sustaining wages. The initiative provides assistance to obtain a GED, job training and certification, paid work experience, transportation, mentorship and other supportive services. This is a FREE program for residents of Gwinnett and Clayton counties. Interested participants should be ages 18-24 who have dropped out of high school and are direct recipients of TANF, SNAP, WIC, Section 8 and/or Medicaid within the last six months. Residents of Gwinnett County, please contact Helena Wallace at 404-357-4259 or hwallace@atlantaregional.org. Residents of Clayton County, please contact Kenddal Walles at 470-303-3011 or kwalles@atlantaregional.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPERS

• HouseATL, a housing taskforce that began in January 2018, is hosting its next Atlanta Regional Housing Forum on Wednesday, September 5th, from 9:30 AM to 11:45 AM, at St. Luke's Episcopal Church (435 Peachtree Street, NE, Atlanta, GA). Housing affordability and retention continue to be central issues in achieving equity in our region. In January of this year, a new housing taskforce was created with the goal of crafting recommendations for the City of Atlanta's housing strategy. After eight months of dialogue and engagement, HouseATL and its five working groups are ready to share their recommendations. Join us at the next Atlanta Regional Housing Forum as we discuss HouseATL's work, process and recommendations - and how this work could serve other cities around the region. While the Atlanta Regional Housing



Forum is a free event, registration in advance is strongly requested. Attendees are also asked to bring non-perishable food items for donation to Atlanta Community Food Bank. <u>Click here</u> to register.

- The Sasakawa USA, the Consulate-General of Japan in Atlanta, the U.S. Department of State, and the Georgia Institute of Technology Center for International Business Education and Research is hosting the Investing in Georgia's Workforce: A U.S. Japan Dialogue on Thursday, September 6th, from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM, at the Historic Academy of Medicine (875 West Peachtree St. NW, Atlanta, GA). The luncheon panel discussion will explore how Japanese and U.S. firms, state and local authorities, and educational institutions can work together to train and develop Georgia's workforce. Panelists will address Georgia's future workforce needs, approaches to workforce development, and opportunities for stakeholder collaboration. Local supporting organizations include Georgia Department of Economic Development, The Japan-America Society of Georgia, and the Technical College System of Georgia. This event is being offered as part of Sasakawa USA's The Alliance Working in America (TAWA) program. It also supports the U.S.-Japan Economic Dialogue's effort to increase bilateral collaboration on developing employees who perform successfully as technological advancements change the 21st century workplace, creating jobs and promoting economic growth in both countries. Click here for more information on the series and click here to register for the event in Atlanta.
- The Georgia Department of Human Services' iWORC (Interagency Workforce Opportunity Resource Committee) will present an Education, Employment, and Resource Expo on Saturday, September 8th, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM, at Atlanta Metropolitan State College's Charles F. Easley Senior Conference Pavilion (1630 Metropolitan Parkway, SW, Atlanta, GA). The committee includes representatives with the following DHS programs: SNAP, SNAP E&T, SNAP Nutrition Education, CSBG TANF, TeenWorks, Independent Living Program, Refugee, Division of Child Support Services (Fatherhood Initiative Program and Parental Accountability Court) and DHS Outreach. Click here for a flyer with more information on iWORC. The September resource fair will provide attendees with the opportunity to meet human service providers (workforce development, housing, financial literacy, homelessness, fatherhood programs, employment, education etc.) The event is free and open to the public and providers. The day of activities will include free food, entertainment, giveaways, and tons of resources for individuals and families.
- WorkforceGPS, an interactive online communication and learning technical assistance platform sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (ETA), presents the webinar, Ticket to Work Program: An Aligned Mission with WIOA, on Wednesday, September 12th, from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM. The Ticket to Work program provides individuals with disabilities receiving disability benefits opportunities to return to work, stay employed and increase earnings. As a result, beneficiaries with disabilities may reduce their dependency on public benefits and become more economically self-sufficient. This webinar focuses on how Ticket to Work operates and the different partnership models now available consistent with the goals of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). Click here to register.



- WorkforceGPS, an interactive online communication and learning technical assistance platform sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (ETA), presents the webinar, SkillsCommons Field Guide of TAACCCT Innovations: Aligning Workforce Development Stakeholders, on Wednesday, September 12th, from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM. With the growing importance of integrating employers as vital partners in the workforce development system, identifying effective methods for aligning the efforts of all stakeholders is a high priority. Missouri's and Montana's partnerships, funded under the Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training (TAACCCT) grant program, have developed innovative methods of formally aligning their collective efforts at the state and local levels. This webinar will review the methods they have developed. Click here to register.
- WorkforceGPS, an interactive online communication and learning technical assistance platform sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration (ETA), presents the webinar, Meeting the Workforce Challenges of the Water Sector: A Competency Model Approach, on Thursday, September 13th, from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM. Across the water sector, utilities of all sizes are facing a major challenge in recruiting and retaining qualified workers to manage, operate, and maintain our Nation's precious water infrastructure. Many organizations, including Federal agencies, are working together to address this challenge and provide utility managers and others with tools that can help them address their own workforce challenges. This webinar will highlight the recently updated Water and Wastewater Competency Model, developed by the Department of Labor, with input from stakeholders across the sector, including U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Click here to register.
- The Bank of America Charitable Foundation's next Connecting Leaders to Learning Webinar will focus on LISC's Financial Opportunity Centers (FOCs) as an innovative way of connecting to economic development strategies on Thursday, September 13th, from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM. LISC's successful financial stability programs connect low- to moderate- income families with the financial and labor market mainstream through a network of over 80 FOCs. Embedded in local community organizations, FOCs are career and personal finance service centers that help participants build smart money habits and focus on their financial bottom lines. FOCs provide employment and career counseling, one-on-one financial coaching and education and low-cost financial products that help build credit, savings and assets (like LISC Twin Accounts). They also connect clients with income supports such as food stamps, utilities assistance and affordable health insurance. In this webinar, LISC staff and invited guests will discuss how their FOC work in Newark, NJ is collaborating with, "Newark 2020," a city-wide employment initiative. From this presentation participants will learn more about this innovative initiative and best practices for developing these partnerships/relationships. Click here to register.
- The Southeastern Employment & Training Association (SETA) is hosting the SETA 2018 Fall Conference from Sunday, September 16th to Tuesday, September 18th at The Renaissance Mobile Renaissance Riverview Plaza Hotel (64 S. Water Street, Mobile, AL). SETA provides professional development opportunities for all workforce development partners. Click here for more information on the fall conference and to register.



- The International Business Innovation Association (InBIA) is hosting the Ecosystem Builders Forum from Monday, September 17th through Tuesday, September 18th, at TechTown Detroit (440 Burroughs St, Detroit, MI). This two-day event will combine InBIA's seasoned practitioners with local industry leaders to share tools, resources, and success stories from communities seeking economic redevelopment. The event will feature a special track on workforce development to discuss how the workforce of a given region can effectively be redeployed or taught anew to found emerging businesses. Click here for more information and to register.
- The International Economic Development Council (IEDC) is hosting its Workforce Development Strategies course from Thursday, September 27th to Friday, September 28th, from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta (265 Peachtree Street, NE, Atlanta, GA). Skilled workers are the backbone of a productive and efficient economy. This versatile course explains the strong relationship between economic and workforce development through case studies, practical examples, and current research. Course participants will learn what programs currently leverage federal, state, and local financial resources to support workforce development. Learn about what collaborative programs will help upgrade the skills of your community's existing workforce. Other topics of discussion will include: talent attraction, K-12 development and integration, occupational analysis, target industry clusters, and more. Click here to register.
- The SMART Community Exchange (SCE) is hosting the SMART Education Exchange Summit, its 5th Annual Transatlantic Education Leadership Exchange (TELE), from Thursday, September 27th to Friday, September 28th, in Atlanta and at a place to be announced. In a time when the public and private sectors are consistently required to do more with less, the use of public-private partnerships (P3) are being developed out of educational demand. The SMART Education Exchange (SEE) and SMART Workforce Development P3s are being established across the globe as a result. SEE builds momentum and interest in education and workforce development, in partnership with SMART cities and communities. Click here for more information and to register.
- IEDC is hosting its 2018 IEDC Annual Conference on Inclusive Economic Development: Fulfilling Dreams from Sunday, September 30th to Wednesday, October 3rd, at the Hyatt Regency Atlanta (265 Peachtree Street, NE, Atlanta, GA). The conference will focus on the policy and technical components of creating economic opportunity for all and is designed for economic developers and economic development stakeholders alike including workforce developers, government and business leaders, and other employers. Click here for more information and to register.
- ACT is hosting its 2018 Workforce Summit from Monday, October 8th through Wednesday, October 10th in New Orleans, LA at the Hyatt Regency New Orleans (601 Loyola Avenue, New Orleans, LA). At the 2018 ACT Workforce Summit, educators, workforce and economic developers, Work Ready Community leaders, employers, and industry partners will unveil collaborative and innovative approaches, best practices and success stories that help students and job seekers achieve career and workplace success and employers find the talent they need to be competitive. Click here for more information and to register.



- The National Career Pathways Network (NCPN) is holding its National Career Pathways Network Conference from Wednesday, October 10th 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. The conference, which begins on October 11th, is preceded by a full day of preconference workshops and tours including NCPN's signature Career Pathways Leadership Certification workshop on October 10th. Other workshop topics include adult career pathways, apprenticeships, and employability skills. Click here to register.
- The **Technology Association of Georgia** and the **TAG Education Collaborative** are excited to announce the 7th annual STEM Education Awards, an event that will once again recognize and honor schools, programs and organizations for their outstanding effort and achievement in supporting and promoting STEM Education in Georgia. This year's award program will be held on Friday, November 2nd, at the Loudermilk Center (40 Courtland Street, Atlanta, GA). The 2018 STEM Education Awards categories are: Elementary School, Middle School, High School, STEM Certified School Outreach, Post Secondary Outreach, Extracurricular Program, STEM Day Activity, and Corporate Outreach. To learn more, <u>click here</u> or contact Dr. Reginald Turner at <u>reginald@tagonline.org</u>. For sponsorship information and ticket sales, contact Kyle Ross at <u>kyle@tagonline.org</u>.
- The National Association of Workforce Development Professionals (NAWDP) is holding its 2018 National Youth Symposium from Wednesday, December 12th, to Friday, December 14th at the Sheraton Grand Chicago (301 East North Water Street, Chicago, IL). The Symposium will feature best practices and strategies for academic training initiatives, serving the needs of priority populations, creating and strengthening career pathways, improving work based learning and employer engagement, and leadership and personal development. Click here for more information and a link to register.
- The National Skills Coalition has issued a "save-the-date" for the 2019 Skills Summit which will take place from Tuesday, February 5th to Wednesday, February 7th, 2019 at the historic Omni Shoreham Hotel (2500 Calvert Street, NW, Washington, D.C.). Registration opens in September with a reduced early bird rate and hotel discount available until Thanksgiving weekend. For more information on the upcoming Skills Summit, contact Jessica Cardott at jessicac@nationalskillscoalition.org.

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