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Workforce Center Hours for Walk-in Consultations

Good luck in choosing your next career! Always remember, the Workforce Center offers a variety of walk-in consultation hours if you get stuck and need to ask questions. Click here for a complete list of Workforce Center hours and contact information.

#### **New Initiatives**



## **Hiring Events and Job Fairs**

Interested in having face-to-face conversations with prospective employers?

The LCWC helps organize various hiring events and job fairs throughout the year. These events offer job seekers the opportunity to connect with



employers. We are excited to announce the following job fairs:

- March 22, 2017: Estes Park Job Fair
- March 30, 2017: Front Range Community College Job Fair
- April 5, 2017: Healthcare in Your Future Job Fair
- April 24, 2017: NoCoNet Job Fair
- May 10, 2017: WY-CO Workforce Partnership Regional Job Fair

Click here for more information to include the dates, times, and locations of these events. Check our website at www.larimerworkforce.org for updates on the employers who will be featured at these job fairs.

## **Job Seeker Tip**

'Tis the season for job fairs (see below)! This edition's job seeker tip: Prepare for the fair! The Larimer County Workforce Center (LCWC) is here to help by offering a job fair preparation workshop. The workshop will be offered in both the Loveland and Fort Collins Workforce Centers and will cover:

- How to prepare for a job fair
- How to construct a targeted resume
- Provide feedback on a resume you have already created
- Strategies for networking at job fairs
- Best practices for follow-up after the job fair

Fort Collins: Wednesday, April 19th 1:00 pm-4:30 pm Loveland: Friday, April 21st 9:00 am-12:30 pm **Click here** to check out the Skillful website and learn about the benefits this program has to offer.

**Click here** to register for the workshop online or contact our office by phone at 970-498-6600.

### **Unemployment Insurance Corner**

Are you receiving Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits and wondering what qualifies as a job contact?

Here are examples of a single and appropriate job contact:



- Submitting an online
   application or resume for a specific job
- Interviewing for a job or attending a second job interview
- Completing testing required by an employer for a job
- Submitting a paper application for a specific job and/or employer

If you are attending an upcoming networking event, consider recording the following information while documenting your work search:

- The date of the activity or action taken (month, day, and year)
- The type of job-search activity taken (for example: Application, test, interview, etc.)
- How you applied for the position (for example: Online, in person, submitted through a job board, e-mail, etc.)
- The type of work you are seeking
- The person you contacted, along with a telephone number, email address, or other reliable contact information
- The outcome of the contact (for example: No response, invited for an interview, etc.)

The Colorado Department of Labor and Employment (CDLE) recommends using a designated work search log to organize your work search efforts.

Click here to access a sample work-search log or visit the LCWC at 200 W. Oak St., Fort Collins, CO 80521 or 418 E. 4th St., Loveland, CO 80537.



## **Industry Spotlight**

Interested in learning about local employers and industries? Check out these upcoming events featuring a panel of local employers.

The first event is part of the "Inside Edge on Hiring"

series which is a bi-monthly event hosted by LCWC where you have an



opportunity to hear from local employers about:

- Their history, products or services, and customers
- Occupations within their organization and hiring practices
- Outlook for 2017 and beyond

Join us on March 22, 2017 from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm at the Loveland Public Library, 300 N. Adams Ave., Loveland, CO 80537, to get the "inside edge".

The second event is "Build Colorado/Construction Panel" and will be held on April 4, 2017 from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm at the Larimer County Courthouse Office building, 200 W. Oak St., 1st floor, Fort Collins, CO 80521. This event will be specific to the construction industry in Colorado. The panel will discuss:

- Current demand within the construction industry
- Career ladders and pathways within the trades
- · Education and apprenticeship opportunities
- Information about local contractors

Both of these events are open to the general public and especially helpful to those learning about career options and potential career opportunities.

### **Training Services**

Have you experienced a job loss from the Information Technology (IT) or Advanced Manufacturing (AM) fields and seek to gain new skills in order to re-enter the workforce?



# The Technology Employment in Colorado Partnership (TEC-

**P)** project is led by the Denver Office of Economic Development (OED) with funds received from the U.S. Department of Labor. Funds are used to upskill long-term unemployed (more than 27 weeks) and underemployed job seekers from the IT and AM fields. The project focuses on collaborations between employers, educational institutions, and job training programs.

Scholarship assistance of up to \$5000 and limited internship opportunities are available to eligible job seekers. If you have been unemployed for 27+ weeks or are underemployed, already have the education and experience needed for IT and AM jobs, and are looking to achieve advanced credentials in IT or AM, please contact the Larimer County Career Transition and Training Team at 970-498-6694.

## **Internship Services**

Is lack of experience keeping

you from reaching your career goals?

Obtaining an internship is one way to get experience in your chosen occupational field while helping to fill gaps on your resume. An internship has a



multitude of benefits which include gaining valuable work experience, deciding whether it is the right career for you, and offering great networking opportunities.

### So are you interested in an internship?

The LCWC is currently operating the **ReHire Colorado** grant. ReHire Colorado is a transitional employment program designed to combine wage-paid work, job skills training, and supportive services to help individuals succeed toward employment. If you are accepted into the ReHire Colorado program you will work with a Case Manager from the LCWC to set up a paid internship in a field of interest. To be eligible for ReHire Colorado you must meet the following criteria:

- Lawfully present and eligible to work in the U.S.
- Colorado resident
- At least 18 years of age
- Family income below 150% of the federal poverty level, as adjusted for family size
- Unemployed, or employed for no more than 24 hours per week, for at least four consecutive weeks
- Demonstration of active job search through the public workforce system

If interested in applying for ReHire Colorado, please contact the LCWC at 970-498-6654.

### **Veterans Corner**

# Hiring a veteran makes CENTS \$\$\$

Hiring a veteran has many advantages including their strong work ethic, attention to detail, ability to work under stress, and many more. In addition to their strong skill sets, there are also financial resources and benefits available to employers that hire veterans.

An employer can **click here** to apply online or contact Shirley Dixon of the Colorado



Department of Labor and Employment by phone at 303-318-8845 or email at Shirley.dixon@state.co.us.

### **New Initiatives**

The LCWC is active on Social Media!

The LCWC has created a **Facebook and Twitter** page to best highlight our **Career Services**. You will receive updates and notifications of job search tips, daily connecting



Colorado job postings, hiring events, workshops, helpful job search articles, and more!

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