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JobsFirst

Community

Employment

Connection

Connecting the Twin Cities
business community with skilled
job seekers at no cost

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Community Employment Connection

Wilder's JobsFirst Employment Services is pleased to offer Community Employment Connection (CEC) to the Twin Cities business community.

By participating in a CEC presentation, employers have an opportunity to share company information and hiring practices with job seekers transitioning from prison into the workforce.

CEC takes place every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. Presentations generally are approximately 30 minutes and are followed by 20 minutes of questions and answers.

What to Expect

The ability to provide a much needed service to your community

A chance to highlight your business and your policies regarding hiring

An opportunity to educate and interact with skilled job seekers

A review of hiring benefits such as tax credit and bonding

A private setting for informal interviews

JobsFirst Job Club Participants

Daily Job Club sessions provide job seeking tools and proven methods for an effective job search.

JobsFirst participants often have prior occupational experience in:

- Construction
- Office Support
- Light Industrial
- Food Service
- Customer Service

In addition, participants have a wide range of educational and work achievements to offer potential employers.

Contact information

To arrange a CEC presentation, to schedule a time to visit, or to share information on your current job openings, please contact:

Wilder Foundation Job Club
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jobsfirst@wilder.org

About JobsFirst Employment Services

JobsFirst is an innovative program funded by the Minnesota Department of Corrections and implemented by the Wilder Foundation. It strives to increase public safety and decrease recidivism by helping persons with criminal backgrounds find and keep gainful employment.

The JobsFirst program has three components:

- A one day **Pre-Release Class** on employment and job searching required for all persons in a Minnesota state correctional facility.
- A daily **Job Club** for individuals transitioning into the community that provides effective job search tools and expertise.

The program aids individuals in securing identification, preparing a resume, honestly and openly discussing their conviction with employers, improving interview skills, finding job leads, and using job retention skills. Through all of its components, the JobsFirst program stresses the need for a professional outlook, a positive attitude, and solid work practices.



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