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Teens: Get a job; here's help to find one

Tips for young employees offered by Larimer County Workforce Center

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Teenagers still looking for a summer job can seek help from the Governor's Summer Job Hunt Program.

The program is offered by the Larimer County Workforce Center and is geared to people ages 16 to 21. It offers tools that young job seekers can use to find a job.

Tawnika Trevena of the Workforce Center works with participants, teaching them tools of the trade that employers are looking for.

"The type of information we offer is everything they need to know when looking for a job and working," said Maureen Harter, employment center manager for the Larimer County Workforce Center, "from filling out applications to appropriate dress."

The program is designed to help young job seekers realize they all have skills to offer to employers and that anyone can market himself.

Jobs that young workers find through the program range from service to labor, part time and full time.

"We have an abundance of employers to work with," Harter said. "Food service is really big, along with retail and customer service."

In the program, youths are interviewed by a job counselor before being matched with an employer for an interview.

The program also offers the chance to search for jobs online, workshops on interviewing and resumes, and sessions on the use of computers, copiers and fax machines for job searches.

So far this year, 600 young job seekers have registered with the program, which runs through August.

"The market is tight. We do have youth who are getting jobs," Harter said.

"We are getting jobs posted, but not as many as we would like."

The Job Hunt program has been connecting teens with employers since 1981, giving them a chance to make money while developing their skills in the workplace.

More than 220,000 young people have found summer employment since the program began.

And the referral service is free of charge to youths and employers, according to Colorado's Department of Labor.

"Hopefully we are providing youth information on ways to find jobs and present yourself as the best possible candidate for that job," Harter said.

Information

For more information about the Governor's Summer Job Hunt Program, contact Tawnika Trevena at 498-6628 or ttrevena@larimer.org, or go to www.larimerworkforce.org.

The Workforce Center's Loveland office is at 418 E. Fourth St., and its Fort Collins location is Suite 5000 in the Larimer County Courthouse Offices Building, 200 W. Oak St.

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