

Job Seeker Corner

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Workforce Center Hours for Walk-in Consultations

Let us support you 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.



Happy New Year! In this newsletter, the Larimer County Workforce Center (LCWC) will share workforce news, potential training opportunities, and events to watch for in 2018.

2018 – Save the Dates!

The LCWC has been busy planning various events throughout **2018** where job seekers can meet with employer representatives and professionals in the community.



Inside Edge on Hiring

The LCWC will continue to host **Inside Edge** events throughout 2018 and these events will now be offered in Fort Collins! Our first event in 2018 will take place on



February 1st at the **Harmony**

Library at 4616 S. Shields Street from 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm. We will be hosting employer representatives from Canyon Bakehouse, Platte River Power Authority, and the Larimer County Sheriff's Office. [Click here](#) to for more information about this event. *We hope to see you there!*

Future Nights



The LCWC has partnered with Poudre School District (PSD), Front Range Community College (FRCC) and Aims Community College to host **'Future Nights' events on February 5th, 2018 and April 2nd, 2018.**



'Future Nights' are open to all and intended to increase industry and occupational awareness among students and community members in Larimer County. Each event will focus on a different career cluster with various industry representatives.

Join us on **February 5th** from **6:00 pm to 8:00 pm** at Front Range Community College to learn about manufacturing, transportation, and construction industries. The agenda includes a panel discussion and an opportunity to speak one-on-one with professionals and educators about their careers.

Job Fairs

The date is set for the spring **2018 WY-CO Regional Job Fair**. Join us on **April 9th, 2018 from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm at The Ranch**. In past years, the WY-CO Regional Job Fair has hosted over 50



employers from various industries throughout Northern Colorado and Southern Wyoming. Employer representatives who attend are eager to hire. As a job seeker, it's an event you don't want to miss!

Mark your calendars and keep an eye on our [website](#) and [Facebook page](#) for more information and updates related to events we will be hosting throughout 2018.

Workforce News

The minimum wage has increased!

Beginning **January 1, 2018** the minimum wage for non-tipped workers will be **\$10.20 per hour** and **\$7.18 per hour for tipped employees**. This change is brought on by



Amendment 70, which took effect on January 1, 2017. The amendment will continue to increase Colorado's minimum wage until it reaches \$12.00 per hour by 2021 (for non-tipped workers).

Veterans Training

Are you a veteran and have interest in obtaining your Lean Six Sigma Green Belt Certification?



SSD Global Solutions is offering **NO COST** training opportunities to **veterans only**. The training is typically provided monthly and successful students will receive a Lean Six Sigma Green Belt Certification. [Click here](#) to learn more about the training and upcoming class.

Interested veterans should contact **Daniel Savage** at Daniel.savage@state.co.us.

Training and Internship Resources

Have you experienced a layoff and are eligible for Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits?



The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (**WIOA**) offers intensive services to eligible job seekers who **desire to enhance their skills and add experience to their resumes**. The **LCWC Career Transition and Training (CTT)** team offers the WIOA grant in the form of career planning, intensive job search support, scholarship assistance for training, and work-based learning.

A training scholarship can provide up to \$4000 for tuition, books, and fees to help prepare eligible candidates for occupations that are growing in Northern Colorado.

A **work-based learning opportunity** can provide eligible candidates a connection to local employers while enhancing their workplace skills and adding recent work experience to their resumes. The CTT team currently supports work-based learning opportunities in the form of paid internships, On-the-Job Training (OJT) opportunities, and apprenticeships.

Contact the **CTT team** at **970-498-6694** to see if you are eligible for these services and learn more about how to apply.

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