Job Seeker Corner

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JOB FAIRS THIS MONTH!

Mark your calendars!

On **June 22nd**, NoCoNet, the **Northern Colorado Networking** group **www.noconet.org** is hosting a job fair open to members and the general public. Over 40 businesses have already registered, and more are sure to sign up!

The Larimer County Workforce Center also hosts weekly Hiring Events for a variety of local employers. Click here to check out our website for the latest hiring event news, or **call 970-498-6600 for more information.**

Job Search Tips

Are you tired of employers telling you that you are over qualified? Often times this happens when we share too much of our background with the potential employer and they can't figure out how you fit into their puzzle. It's critical that you take the time as a job seeker to showcase which of your skills, knowledge and abilities meet the specific needs of each employer. Take a look at **this article**, *written by J.T. O'Donnell,* where she further discusses this situation and offers additional tips to help in your job search.

Unemployment Insurance (UI) Updates

The Colorado Department of Labor and Employment recently posted updates in regards to how to record and report earnings while requesting Unemployment Insurance payments.

Did you know that if you are working fewer than 32 hours per week, you may still be eligible for partial or full payment of unemployment insurance benefit as long as your earnings are not more than your weekly benefit amount?

The UI offices request that you please report all hours worked and your entire gross earnings made in order to prevent fraud. Additionally please make sure that when you round your earnings to the nearest dollar that you always round up (i.e. $159.18 becomes $160).

As always, be mindful that any hours and/or earnings that are not reported while collecting unemployment benefits payments may be considered fraud and there are serious penalties you can be charged with. For further questions regarding this topic please **view flyer** or visit **www.coloradoui.gov** or contact the unemployment office at 1-800-388-5515.

UI Hotline

Did you know that you can visit the **Larimer County Workforce Center** on Thursday's to connect with an Unemployment Insurance representative via telephone?

Our hotline is offered at 200 W. Oak Street, Suite 5000, Fort Collins, CO 80525 each Thursday from 9am-12pm. It is also offered at 418 4th St., Loveland, CO 80537 each Thursday from 1pm-4pm.

This hotline is available to anyone seeking questions about their claim that would like to avoid long wait times. You can contact the Workforce Center at 970-498-6600 with further questions.

Workshops

The Larimer County Workforce Center offers a variety of free workshops that will help you establish a strong foundation for an effective job search. For a full description of each workshop we offer, along with upcoming dates and times, Link to the Larimer County Workforce Center website **here**.

Not sure what career you would like to do? Attend our "Planning for Action" workshop!

Are you ready to look for work, but not sure what you would like to do? **Click here to take the jobZology career assessment through our website** then come to this **workshop** to learn how to interpret the results of your assessment. In this workshop, you will compare your **jobZology** results to local economic indicators while receiving guidance to develop a career path.

Training Opportunities for Job Seekers

Did you know that the Larimer County Workforce Center can sometimes help job seekers pay for training? If you are seeking full time employment in a growing industry with a starting wage of at least $13 per hour, then you may qualify for a training grant. **Click here** if you think you might be a good fit. Though every situation is unique, some popular training opportunities that have been approved in the

past include: CDLA, WebLab, Associates of Applied Science in Computer Information Systems, and others.

Veterans Corner

Are you a veteran looking for work? The Larimer County Workforce Center is proud to offer "**Jobs for Veterans**," a program which is intended to provide those veterans at highest risk of long term unemployment with intensive job search assistance and support. **For more information, and to see if you qualify, click here.**

Sometimes, one of the biggest barriers to employment for veterans is figuring out how to translate their military experience into something that employers can relate to. **Click here** to use a comprehensive online military skills/job translator.

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