

#### **Announcements**

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## **Chicago Jobs Council Updates**

## **Upcoming Trainings**

Retention In Your Program Virtual

Training

**Engaging & Deepening Business Relationships In-Person Training** 

Wednesday, February 14 & 21, 2024 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Tuesday, March 12, 2024 9:00 AM -12:00 PM

Cultivate strategies to increase your

Learn how to focus your outreach

program completion and placement rates.

efforts, improve your job-retention strategies, and create stronger relationships with quality employers.

#### **Careers at CJC**

The **Program Manager IDHS Initiatives** is a full-time, grant-funded position designed to implement and oversee the training of SNAP and other Employment & Training providers throughout Illinois. Responsibilities include project management, curriculum development, facilitation & training, and related technical assistance. The Program Manager position reports to the Director of Capacity Building. **View the full description and apply here**.

# Workforce Development Ecosystem Announcements

# National Apprenticeship Week Report

In November 2023, National Apprenticeship Week saw almost 1,400 events, over 500,000 attendees, and nearly 500 proclamations, setting historic highs, and showcasing the impact of Registered Apprenticeship in meeting the nation's workforce challenges. A new report highlights how employers, educators, labor representatives, apprentices, and other stakeholders acknowledged their efforts to provide life-changing opportunities for underserved populations including women, youth, communities of color, rural areas, justice-involved individuals, veterans, and people with disabilities. You can read the report here.

Clean Energy Firm
Building HQ in Chicago

The Chicago Sun-Times reported that "clean energy company Nexamp will build its second headquarters in Chicago and invest an additional \$2 billion in existing and new projects in Illinois...The company's addition will ultimately create more than 3,000 jobs in Illinois and potentially offset the power needs of more than 50,000 households, Pritzker said in a news conference." Click here to read the full article.

### **Employer Engagement Cohort**

The Chicagoland Workforce Funders Alliance is inviting employers interested in hiring, retaining, and advancing young talent – particularly employees of color ages 18-29 – to take part in a cohort beginning April 2024. Companies will work alongside experts and other companies to launch a pilot centered around inclusive hiring and building a more resilient workplace. One of the participating employers from a previous cohort published an <u>article</u> about their own experience. Those who are interested in participating or want to learn more should contact CWFA's Cyndi Bergstein at cbergstein@cct.org.

### **Alternative Pathways Webinar**

On Tuesday, February 6th at 12:00 PM CST, join a virtual discussion entitled "Getting A Good Job Without a College Degree: A Town Hall for Job Seekers, Employers, & Educators." Industry experts will share valuable perspectives and strategies to empower individuals in navigating and thriving in the job market without a bachelor's degree. Panel members include Jim Lambert, Jobs for America's Graduates; Jillian Walsh, Zurich North America; and Beth Berendsen, Chicago Women in Trades. Click here to RSVP (and receive the Zoom invite).

### **Job Openings**

We hear about a lot of open positions. The most recent ones are below. Send yours to <a href="mailto:jobs@cjc.net">jobs@cjc.net</a> with a link to the job description and pay range. (Note: only positions paying at least \$15/hour will be shared.)

Moraine Valley Community College   Student Success Specialist
Manufacturing Renaissance   Manufacturing Instructor
Manufacturing Renaissance   Program Coordinator
Jumphire   Case Manager (Success Coach)
Access Living   Gun Violence Independent Living Navigator
Access Living   Part-Time Peer Support Coordinator
Erie Neighborhood House   Multiple Positions Available
Illinois Department of Human Services   Multiple Positions Available

Have an announcement you want included in our email? Email it to <a href="mailto:announcements@cjc.net">announcements@cjc.net</a>.

#### **Our Mission**

Together with community and institutional leaders, Chicago Jobs Council is reimagining our workforce system so all people can thrive through employment.

#### **Our Vision**

Our vision is to create an anti-racist workforce development system and employment equity so that everyone can realize their unique pathway out of poverty.

