Hamden American Job Center Offers September Employment and Training Workshops

WETHERSFIELD, August 22, 2017 – Connecticut Department of Labor employees in the agency’s Hamden American Job Center, 37 Marne Street, will offer a variety of training and employment workshops in September to assist area residents. Advance registration is encouraged due to space limitations. Please call (203) 859-3200 to register for these no-cost workshops.

Veterans’ Workshop: Veterans are encouraged to participate in this workshop that covers the basics of developing an effective résumé. Topics include translating military skills and accomplishments into civilian terminology, understanding federal résumé formatting, and common résumé mistakes to avoid. There is ample time for participants to ask questions of members of the Connecticut Department of Labor’s Office for Veterans’ Workforce Development.

**September 6, 13, 20, 27 (1 – 3 p.m.)**

Interviewing Strategies & Techniques: Learn interview preparation and techniques and discover the best way to respond to questions from an interviewer, how to negotiate a “win-win” package, and learn what to say and when and how to say it.

**September 7 (1 – 4 p.m.) and September 21 (9 a.m. – 12 p.m.)**

Fundamentals of Résumé Writing: Valuable information you need to create a professional résumé.

**September 8 and 25 (9 a.m. – 12 p.m.) and September 14 (1 – 4 p.m.)**

Successful Job Search Strategies: Attendees will learn useful job search strategies and gain pointers on telephone skills, networking, the hidden job market and interviewing.

**September 11 (9 a.m. – 12 p.m.) and September 18 (1 – 4 p.m.)**

Over 40 and Looking for Work: Participants will discuss the challenges and employer expectations for older workers and develop strategies to successfully mitigate possible stereotyping that may occur during the hiring process.

**September 13 (9 a.m. – 12 p.m.) and September 28 (1 – 4 p.m.)**

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Résumé Critiques: Résumés are reviewed in half hour intervals, by appointment, each Monday and Friday. Please bring a hard copy of your résumé. Receive objective and unbiased feedback to assist you in addressing problematic issues along with identifying areas for improvement. Participation in the Fundamentals of Résumé Writing workshop is recommended before scheduling a critique.

Needs Assessments: Needs assessments are conducted in 45-minute intervals, by appointment, each Friday. The workshops are comprised of one-to-one career exploration with a Career Development Specialist reviewing individual career needs and creating an individual employment plan.

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