Greetings on this Monday! Hope this finds you doing well!

Here are some updates from MAX partners... Special thanks to everyone for your submittals and efforts to keep our workforce development community informed!

MAX Minutes Focuses on Industry and Occupational Winners and Losers in Pandemic Times: The pandemic has certainly impacted industries and the workforce. There are winners and losers, as well as bright spots and hidden opportunities. Jennifer Zeller and Marion Phillips with Georgia Power joined MAX on August 21st to provide insights on which industries are seeing the most growth and activity and why and how that translates to the jobs that feed that sector. They also shared the latest on when industries will return to pre-Covid levels and where Georgia’s strengths lie in this uncertain period. [Click here](#) to learn more.

MAX ALERT: Fulton County Launches Career ReBoot Fulton, a Free Digital Literacy Program for Fulton Residents: Fulton County, in partnership with Goodwill of North Georgia and the Metro Atlanta Chamber, launch Career ReBoot Fulton, a new free digital literacy program to help Fulton County residents who have been impacted by the economic fallout of the COVID-19 public health crisis. [Click here](#) to learn more.

MAX ALERT: Georgia Justice Project Seeks Insights on Felony Probation Experiences During COVID-19: The Georgia Justice Project (GJP) invites individuals who are under felony probation supervision in Georgia to take part in a survey opportunity to share insights on their experiences during COVID-19. [Click here](#) to learn more.

MAX JOB BOARD: CobbWorks, Inc. Seeks Business Services Professional to Join WorkSource Cobb Team: The Business Services Professional will participate as an active member of the Cobbworks Business Services Team working in coordination with the Workforce Programs Team. [Click here](#) to learn more.

MAX JOB BOARD: CobbWorks, Inc. Seeks Career and Training Advisor for Youth to Join WorkSource Cobb Team: The Career and Training Advisor works with individuals to determine career goals, develop training and career development plans; determines and documents eligibility for services; and more. [Click here](#) to learn more.

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In addition to the weekly MAX Mondays, click here to see periodic MAX news and alerts.

JOB FAIRS AND HIRING EVENTS FOR JOB SEEKERS

In-Person Events

[NOTE: Given the ever-evolving situation with COVID-19, job seekers are advised to contact the host prior to the event to confirm event plans.]

- **Goodwill of North Georgia** hosts hiring events and job fairs in partnership with employers at its Career Centers each month. Following is a look at upcoming in-person opportunities to engage with employers. For a complete list of Goodwill events for job seekers, click here for access to event calendars for each Career Center.
  - **TeamWRX Hiring Event** – Tuesday, August 25\(^\text{th}\), from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at the South DeKalb Career Center. (1295 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA). Contact Brenda Marshall at 404-728-8605 or bmarshall@ging.org for more information.
  - **Terrific Tuesdays Job Fair** – Tuesday August 25\(^\text{th}\), Tuesday, September 1\(^\text{st}\), Tuesday, September 8\(^\text{th}\), Tuesday, September 15\(^\text{th}\), Tuesday, September 22\(^\text{nd}\), and Tuesday, September 29\(^\text{th}\), from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at the Oakwood Career Center (3715 Munday Mill Road, Oakwood, GA). Contact Johnny Varner at jvarner@ging.org or 770-538-4209 for more information.
  - **North Georgia Staffing Hiring Event** – Tuesday, August 25\(^\text{th}\), from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at the Smyrna Career Center (3205 South Cobb Drive, Smyrna, GA). Contact Phyliss Bunch pbunch@ging.org or 404-554-9539 for more information.
  - **Horizon Staffing Job Fair** – Wednesday, August 26\(^\text{th}\), Wednesday, September 1\(^\text{st}\), Wednesday, September 9\(^\text{th}\), Wednesday, September 16\(^\text{th}\), Wednesday, September 23\(^\text{rd}\), and Wednesday, September 30\(^\text{th}\), from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at the Old National Career Center (6175 Old National Highway, Suite 120, Atlanta, GA). Contact Brenda Marshall at 678-554-0412 or bmarshall@ging.org for more information.
  - **Georgia Department of Corrections Hiring Event** – Wednesday, August 26\(^\text{th}\), Wednesday, September 2\(^\text{nd}\), Wednesday, September 9\(^\text{th}\), Wednesday, September 16\(^\text{th}\), Wednesday, September 23\(^\text{rd}\), and Wednesday, September 30\(^\text{th}\), from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at the Stockbridge Career Center (7291 Davidson Parkway North, Stockbridge, GA). Contact Temeka Minor at tminor@ging.org for more information.
  - **Chase Staffing Event** – Thursday, August 27\(^\text{th}\), from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at the Smyrna Career Center (3205 South Cobb Drive, Smyrna, GA). Contact Phyliss Bunch at pbunch@ging.org or 404-554-9539 for more information.
  - **NOVO Health Hiring Event** – Tuesday, September 1\(^\text{st}\), from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at the Old National Career Center (6175 Old National Highway, Suite 120, Atlanta, GA). Contact Brenda Marshall at 678-554-0412 or bmarshall@ging.org for more information.
TeamWRX Hiring Fair – Thursday, September 3rd, Thursday, September 10th, Monday, September 14th, Thursday, September 17th, Monday, September 21st, Thursday, September 24th, and Monday, September 28th, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at the Old National Career Center (6175 Old National Highway, Suite 120, Atlanta, GA). Contact Brenda Marshall at 678-554-0412 or bmarshall@ging.org for more information.

Manpower Hiring Event – Tuesday, September 8th, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at the Old National Career Center (6175 Old National Highway, Suite 120, Atlanta, GA). Contact Brenda Marshall at 678-554-0412 or bmarshall@ging.org for more information.

Multi-Employer Job Fair – Wednesday, September 16th, from 10:00 AM to 12:30 PM, at the Cartersville Career Center (929 Joe Frank Harris Parkway, Cartersville, GA). Contact Beatriz Gonzalez at bgonzalez@ging.org or 770-276-7036 for more information.

Randstad Hiring Event – Thursday, September 17th, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at the Cartersville Career Center (929 Joe Frank Harris Parkway, Cartersville, GA). Contact Beatriz Gonzalez at bgonzalez@ging.org or 770-276-7036 for more information.

Georgia Square Mall Job Fair – Wednesday, September 30th, from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM, via the Athens Career Center, at Georgia Square Mall (3700 Atlanta Highway, Athens, GA).

DiversityHiringExpos.com is hosting its 97th Greater Atlanta Professional, Veteran, Collegiate Career Fair on Thursday, September 17th, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, at the Cobb Galleria Centre (2 Galleria Parkway, SE, Atlanta, GA). Diversity Hiring Expos.com specializes in diversity, Veteran, bilingual and multicultural career fairs. Participating employers include Fortune 500 companies, local businesses, government agencies, education and nonprofit groups. Click here for more information. Click here to register.

Choice Career Fairs is hosting its Atlanta Career Fair, Thursday, October 8th, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at the DoubleTree by Hilton Atlanta Perimeter Dunwoody (4386 Chamblee Dunwoody Road, Atlanta, GA). Click here to learn more and register.

Virtual Events

WorkSource Atlanta Regional is hosting a CVS Health Recruitment Event, via the Gwinnett One Stop Career Center, on Tuesday, August 25th, at 10:00 AM, through WebEx. Positions vary from Management, Pharmacy Technicians and Customer Care Coordinators. Contact Carlethia Collier at 678-268-6610 to register.

FEMA is hosting its Virtual Career Fair on Wednesday, August 26th, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. FEMA is recruiting candidates for a variety of positions including but not limited to Emergency Management Specialist, HR Specialist, Program Analyst, Public Affairs Specialist, Civil Engineer, Contract Specialist, Grants Management Specialist, Program Manager, and IT Specialist. Job seekers are encouraged to join this national hiring event to explore career opportunities nationwide. Click here for more information and to register.
• **Goodwill of North Georgia** is hosting several **Virtual Job Fairs** for job seekers in locations throughout north Georgia. Job seekers should go to [www.careerconnector.org](http://www.careerconnector.org) to learn more and register.
  - **South DeKalb Virtual Job Fair** – Thursday, August 27th, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.
  - **Dawsonville and Oakwood Virtual Job Fair** – Thursday, September 3rd, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.
  - **Aerotropolis Virtual Job Fair** – in partnership with [Atlanta CareerRise](http://www.atlanticareerrise.org) – Thursday, September 10th, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.
  - **Schneider Trucking Virtual Job Fair** – in partnership with [Schneider](http://www.schneider.com) – Thursday, September 10th, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.
  - **Smyrna Virtual Job Fair** – Thursday, September 17th, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.
  - **Old National Virtual Job Fair** – Thursday, September 24th, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

• **Recruit Military** is hosting its **National Virtual Career Fair for Veterans** on Tuesday, September 1st, from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Veterans who have served in the U.S. military and their spouses are invited to join this event. [Click here](http://www.recruitmilitary.com) to learn more and register.

• **AnalyticsWEEK** is hosting its monthly **#FirstFridayFair Business, Data & Tech (Virtual Event) – Atlanta** on Friday, September 4th, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The data science and software development focused career fair utilizes TAO.ai, an AI-led career development platform, to match recruiters with job seekers before the event and arrange for meet-ups during the event. [Click here](http://www.analyticsweek.com) for more information and to register.

• **MilitaryX** is hosting its virtual **Atlanta Veterans Career Fair** on Tuesday, September 8th, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The event is designed for those who are on active duty, in the National Guard, the Reserves, and their spouses to connect with employers. [Click here](http://www.militaryx.com) for more information and to register.

• **Coast to Coast Career Fairs** is holding its next **Atlanta Virtual Career Fair** on Monday, September 14th to Wednesday, September 16th, from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Job seekers can connect with hiring managers virtually, browse through dozens of employer virtual booths, apply to jobs, and live text or video chat with employers when they are at their booth. [Click here](http://www.coasttococareercfairs.com) for more information and to register.

• **National Career Fairs** is hosting its **Atlanta Virtual Career Fair** on Tuesday, September 22nd, from 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM. National Career Fairs has held over 10,000 career fairs nationwide for nearly 20 years. As with its in-person fairs, job seekers will have the opportunity to interview with top employers making hiring decisions at the virtual fair. [Click here](http://www.nationalcareerfairs.com) to learn more and register.

• **Equal Opportunity Publications** is hosting its **Careers & the Disabled Virtual Career Fair** on Wednesday, September 23rd, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. People with disabilities (including veterans), ranging from current college students and recent college graduates to professionals
with backgrounds in all career disciplines are invited to participate. Click here to learn more and register.

- **Recruit Military** is hosting its Atlanta Virtual Career Fair for Veterans on Thursday, October 1st, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Veterans who have served in the U.S. military and their spouses are invited to join this event. Click here to learn more and register.

- **BestHire Career Fairs** is hosting its Atlanta Virtual Job Fair on Thursday, October 8th, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Job seekers will have the opportunity to interview with hiring employers from a variety of industries. Click here to learn more and register.

- **Job Fair Pro** is hosting its Atlanta Virtual Job Fair on Thursday, October 8th, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Job seekers will have the opportunity to visit with employers at virtual booths to see what they are offering and ask plenty of questions. On-the-spot hiring is possible. Click here to learn more and register.

Click here to see the MAX Calendar of Events.

**EMPLOYERS HIRING TODAY**

**Specific Employers**

- **All Turf** is hiring for Lawn Technicians through its operations in Hiram, Loganville, and Suwanee. Click here to learn more.

- **Allied Universal** is hiring for Security Officers and several other positions in the Atlanta area. Click here to learn more.

- **Amazon** is hiring for warehouse team members and delivery station liaisons in the Atlanta area. Click here to learn more.

- **Amazon Web Services (AWS)** is partnering with **Opportunity Hub (OHUB)** to recruit for several positions including technical trainer, technical program manager, enablement program manager, organization lead, and systems development engineer. The **OHUB + AWS Tech Talk Series** is an intentional recruiting experience that is inclusive of diverse communities in the tech and non-tech space. OHUB x AWS Tech Talks will highlight diverse subject matter experts from the AWS World Wide Solutions Architecture and Training and Certification teams. During the hiring experience, job seekers will be able to ask the speakers questions and apply for open roles. This is an opportunity to learn, engage, and connect with AWS in a different way—inclusive of one’s background. Click here to learn more.

- **Avery Dennison**, a global materials science company specializing in the design and manufacture of a wide variety of labeling and functioning materials, is hiring production operators and for
several other positions in its Peachtree City, GA location. Click here to learn more and enter “Georgia” in the search field.

- **Barranco Beverage** is seeking candidates for the positions of Beverage Machine Installer/Repairer, Lead Beverage Machine Installer/Repairer, and Construction Foreman. The Beverage Machine Installer/Repairer position requires mechanical skills and the ability to travel 100 percent of the time for work. EPA is preferred but not required. Click here for more job details. The Lead Beverage Machine Installer/Repairer position requires EPA certification, management/leadership experience, and the ability to travel 100 percent of the time for work. Click here for more job details. The Construction Foreman position requires 5+ years of Construction Foreman experience, communication skills, and the ability to travel 100 percent of the time for work. Click here for more job details.

- **Bobby Dodd Institute (BDI)** reaches out to metro Atlanta’s veteran community with 25 remote work jobs. BDI is pleased to announce its veteran-focused recruitment initiative to staff 25 remote Call Center Agents throughout the metro Atlanta area. Retired veterans with excellent communication skills who are looking for an opportunity to continue in service while earning some extra money working remotely are encouraged to contact BDI. Eligible candidates who successfully complete BDI’s Customer Service Academy training will be offered a remote customer service representative position in BDI’s medical supply contact center. Interested veterans who want to learn more about this opportunity should send an email to bdivets@bobbydodd.org and include name, phone number, and the best time for a veteran representative from BDI to contact.

- **CVS Health**, in response to the urgent and increased health care needs of Americans impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, is accelerating a plan to fill more than 50,000 full-time and part-time positions across the country. The company has immediate job opportunities for more than 500 positions serving in locations throughout the Atlanta area. Click here to see the list of positions in the Atlanta area. Click here for Job seekers can click here to apply online. Click here for a brochure of what job seekers can expect to see during the online application process.

- **FedEx** is hiring for several positions including but not limited to package handlers, forklift operators, and maintenance techs. Click here to learn more.

- **First Touch Logistics LLC**, an Amazon contractor located in Clayton County, is looking to hire full-time delivery associates to deliver packages for Amazon. The company seeks reliable people ready to work every day for positions that start at $15 per hour. Associates will have the opportunity to drive around in the company’s new Mercedes Benz delivery vans. Training will be provided. Applicants will need to undergo a virtual interview if selected. Click here for more information. Interested candidates should email their resumes to firsttouchlogistics@gmail.com.

- **Inline Plastics**, a next generation food packaging company, is hiring for several positions at its McDonough, GA facility. Click here to learn more.
• **JobRise**, a national social enterprise that launches winning businesses and provides life-changing employment for men and women facing barriers to employment, is seeking candidates for the role of Usher/Greeter to work in the DeKalb County area. [Click here](#) for more job details.

• **Kroger** is seeking candidates for hundreds of positions at locations throughout Georgia. [Click here](#) to learn more.

• **Lowes** is hiring for more than 100 positions in the Atlanta area. [Click here](#) to learn more.

• **Novo Health Services**, a leader in providing sterile linen to hospitals and medical centers, is hiring for a variety of other positions in the Atlanta area. [Click here](#) to access the Novo Job Board to learn more. Contact Howard Arden at [harden@novohealthservices.com](mailto:harden@novohealthservices.com) for more information.

• **NPSG Global**, a company based in Kennesaw, GA that specializes in providing e-fulfillment warehouse implementation services for companies like Amazon, is hiring nationwide for Installation Technicians and Crew Leads. [Click here](#) to learn more about the positions available.

• **Rogers**, one of the nation's leading facility service providers, is seeking a lighting technician, electrical apprentice, and construction electrician to join its team in Atlanta. [Click here](#) to learn more.

• **Russell Landscape** is seeking landscape professionals to serve in its Atlanta, Buford, Doraville, Mableton, and Sugar Hill locations. [Click here](#) for more information.

• **Sanders Industries Inc.** is hiring Customer Service Representatives, with starting pay at $15.00 per hour, for its call center (1500 Centre Parkway, East Point, GA). [Click here](#) for a job description. For more information, contact James Flynn of Sanders Industries at [jamesflynn@yahoo.com](mailto:jamesflynn@yahoo.com) or 717-799-2706.

• **Southern Company** is seeking candidates for several positions in the Atlanta area. [Click here](#) to view available positions.

• **SunTrust** is seeking candidates for several positions in the Atlanta area. [Click here](#) to view available positions through ChooseATL.

• **The Home Depot** is seeking candidates for several information technology positions in the Atlanta area. [Click here](#) to view available positions through ChooseATL.

• **Tommy Nobis Center** is hiring 100 Virtual Contact Agents, with a pay of $10.00 per hour, for seasonal and immediate employment from August through November. The primary shift is Monday through Thursday, 5:00 PM to 11:00 PM and Sunday, 12:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Other
shifts available. Candidates must have their own computer and access to reliable high-speed internet. Click here for a flyer. Apply at https://nobisworks.atsondemand.com.

- **Tommy Nobis Center** is hiring for workers to fill both temporary and permanent full and part-time positions in warehouse/production and assembly, kitting, packing and labeling. All workers must be able to pass a background check. Immediate employment is available. Contact Pamela Silva at 770-427-9000 or Pamela.Silva@TommyNobisCenter.org. Or apply at https://nobisworks.atsondemand.com.

- **UPS** is hiring for Package Handlers and other positions. Click here to learn more.

- **Walmart** is hiring for several store and warehouse positions in the Atlanta area. Click here to learn more.

**Job Boards**

- **ChooseATL** has created the *Helping Atlanta’s Talent Find Jobs* web page with connections to the many businesses around Atlanta that are hiring today. Workers affected by the COVID-19 outbreak can find jobs across industries. Click here to access.

- **Cobb Chamber** is dedicated to bringing the community and its leaders together to create jobs and strengthen the economy and quality of life so businesses and the community can achieve more. The Chamber recently launched CobbHires.com, the Cobb Chamber’s job board and internship board. Click here to access.

- **The Greater North Fulton Chamber** is the only regional chamber in North Fulton and serves as the recognized leader for business growth, talent development and regional prosperity. The Chamber recently launched NorthFultonJobs.com as a workforce development initiative connecting jobs and talent in North Fulton. Click here to access.

- **The Gwinnett Chamber** improves economic opportunities for all by helping existing businesses grow and expand and recruit quality businesses and high-wage jobs to Georgia, the Metro Atlanta and Innovation Crescent regions, and Gwinnett. The Chamber has recently launched the Gwinnett Chamber Job Board to connect employers needing talent with employees in need of work. Click here to access.

- **LinkedIn** is routinely updating its list of companies hiring across the nation. The list includes companies with a presence in the Atlanta region. Click here for more information.

- **Opportunity ATL** is featuring Major Hiring Opportunities on its website by dozens of metro Atlanta employers that are hiring now. Click here to access.
Paid Training Opportunities

- **Goodwill of North Georgia** offers paid training opportunities in the following skills programs: Construction, Floor Tech/Custodial, Healthcare Environmental Services (EVS), Logistics, Maintenance, Retail – Customer Service, and Welding. Jobseekers are encouraged to visit Goodwill’s virtual career center at [www.careerconnector.org](http://www.careerconnector.org) or call 844-344-WORK (9675) for one-on-one job search support from a Goodwill career coach to learn more.

- **PruittHealth** is recruiting for its Rapid Hire Training Program for Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA). Through this program, Pruitt Health provides paid-CNA training and certification testing and guarantees a job with the organization once training is completed. Individuals are paid part-time, 10 to 20 hours while in training. PruittHealth offers a $1,500 sign-on bonus for successful completion of training and certification program. [Click here](http://www.careerconnector.org) to learn more and to apply for the program.

- **Tommy Nobis Center** is recruiting for its **Call Center Training Program**. This is PAID training at $12.00 per hour for English speakers and $13.50 per hour for bilingual Spanish/English speakers. Certificate of Completion is provided after 500 successful training hours. Certificate can be added to resumes to enhance marketable skills! Training participants will develop customer service skills processing in-bound calls; not sales. The goal is for successful trainees to be hired by the host employer once training is complete. Training site is located in Alpharetta. Reliability and excellent attendance is most important. Training participants must be at least 18 years old. Contact Denitra Parker at Tommy Nobis Center at 770-427-9000 ext. 5153 or [Denitra.Parker@TommyNobisCenter.org](mailto:Denitra.Parker@TommyNobisCenter.org) to learn more.

- **Tommy Nobis Center** is hiring for more than 50 Contact Agent Trainees. Candidates must be able to professionally handle a high volume of outbound calls in a timely manner, follow communication “scripts,” and meet targets. Must have high speed Internet and a computer. Immediate employment is available. [Click here](http://www.careerconnector.org) for more information. Contact Pamela Silva at 770-427-9000 or [Pamela.Silva@TommyNobisCenter.org](mailto:Pamela.Silva@TommyNobisCenter.org). Or apply at [https://nobisworks.atsondemand.com](https://nobisworks.atsondemand.com).

- **WorkSource Atlanta** is interviewing youth, ages 16 to 24, for its **STEP Forward Out-of-School Youth Program**, a program that provides youth with work experience opportunities. Youth will have the opportunity to work for up to 40 hours a week for up to 8 weeks and earn $12.00 an hour. Interested youth should have a photo ID, social security card, and complete an interview and assessment. [Click here](http://www.careerconnector.org) for a flyer. [Click here](http://www.careerconnector.org) to submit interest in the program.

- **WorkSource Cobb** is recruiting Cobb County residents, between the ages of 16 to 24, to join the **BOSS program**. The BOSS program prepares individuals to be bold, open, skilled, and successful by providing paid work experience, professional development workshops, college and career tours, and more. Participants can earn up to $8,500 while they learn. [Click here](http://www.careerconnector.org) for a flyer.
Service for Employers

- Accenture has launched People + Work Connect, a free online employer-to-employer platform that enables companies to quickly identify and fill jobs in locations where there is need. People + Work Connect is powered by an analytics-driven platform developed by Accenture, which pools non-confidential and aggregated workforce information by categories such as location and experience. It gives organizations that have open positions a view into the workforce available to fill those jobs, enabling companies that have available employees to help their people find new roles. People + Work Connect is available exclusively to companies with approximately 100 jobs to fill or 100 available workers to place. It is global and open to all industries. It is not available to individuals or staffing agencies. It is designed to move large pools of people from one employer to another. Companies with roles to fill or people to place are welcome to join the platform. Click here to register.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS FOR JOB SEEKERS

In-Person Events

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- Goodwill of North Georgia has reopened all of its Career Centers. Career Centers are open from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday, on days other than a federal or state holiday. Click here for a video regarding what to expect when visiting a Career Center. Click here for more information on Goodwill’s coronavirus response. Weekly Job Training Information Sessions will be held as follows:
  - Cartersville – Skills Training Information Sessions – Tuesdays, 10:00 AM, Cartersville Career Center (929 Joe Frank Harris Parkway SE, Cartersville, GA). Information will be provided on the Logistics, Hospitality, Welding, and Forklift training programs. Contact Ashia Walker at awalker@ging.org or 770-276-7036 for more information.
  - South DeKalb – Skills Training Information Sessions – Wednesdays, 2:00 PM, South Dekalb Career Center (1295 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA). Information will be provided on the Highway Construction, Forklift, Floor Technician/Custodial, Maintenance, and Environmental Services (HES) Technician training programs. Contact Ruquais Wiley at rwiley@ging.org or 404-728-8644 for more information.
  - South Fulton – Skills Training Information Sessions – Tuesdays, 2:00 PM, Old National Career Center (6175 Old National Highway, Suite 120, Atlanta, GA). Information will be provided on the Forklift and OSHA 10 training programs. Contact Verna Barksdale at vbarksdale@ging.org or 770-873-6941 for more information.
  - Stockbridge – Skills Training Information Sessions – Wednesdays, 2:00 PM, Stockbridge Career Center (7291 Davidson Parkway North, Stockbridge, GA). Information will be provided on the Forklift and OSHA 10 training programs. Contact Verna Barksdale at vbarksdale@ging.org or 770-873-6941 for more information.
Woodstock – Skills Training Information Sessions – Thursdays, 10:00 AM, Woodstock Career Center (9425 Highway 92, Woodstock, GA). Information will be provided on the Logistics, Hospitality, Welding, and Forklift training programs. Contact Ashia Walker at awalker@ging.org or 770-874-0901 for more information.

Virtual Events

• Goodwill of North Georgia is holding one-hour Virtual Information Sessions on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM, with the exception of state or federal holidays. These sessions provide information on the many skills training programs available through Goodwill. Click here to sign up for a session.

• Goodwill of North Georgia is holding one-hour Virtual Career Drop-in Sessions every weekday at 11:00 AM and again at 2:00 PM, with the exception of state or federal holidays. Goodwill’s Virtual Career Services Staff will be present to answer questions on topics ranging from resume development and interviewing to navigating the changing job market. Job seekers can also schedule a 1-on-1 appointment. Click here to join the 11:00 AM session. Click here to join the 2:00 PM session.

• Goodwill of North Georgia is hosting Virtual Job Search Workshops. Those interested in attending can register at www.careerconnector.org.
  o How to Use Zoom on Tuesday, August 25th, at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM
  o Using Microsoft Teams on Wednesday, August 26th, at 1:00 PM
  o Basic MS Word on Thursday, August 27th, at 1:00 PM
  o Work at Home Opportunities on Monday, August 31st, at 1:00 PM

• The Urban League of Greater Atlanta’s Youth and Young Adult Services @Promise Team is continuing to provide education and career services via virtual platforms. Those interested in learning more about the many educational and occupational opportunities and programs for individuals, between the ages of 16-24, can sign into the League’s weekly information sessions. The Virtual Information Sessions will be held every Tuesday at 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM. The sessions are hosted by Ebony White, Program Manager, who can be contacted at 404-449-6286 or ewhite@ulgatl.org. Click here for the Zoom link to join.

• The Jewish Family & Career Services (JF&CS) is hosting its Virtual LinkedIn Workshop on Tuesday, August 25th, from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Job seekers and those in transition are invited to join this workshop to learn how to strengthen their brand on LinkedIn. Click here for more information and to register.

• The Global Leadership Christian Center (GLCC) will hold its GLCC Virtual Job Network on Tuesday, August 25th, from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM. GLCC Job Networking Ministry is held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, with the exception of federal and state holidays, and provides free employment workshops, ‘mini’ job fairs, and evening dinners with keynote
speakers to those in need of employment or job readiness. GLCC Job Network is excited to coach job seekers on how to begin and manage their job search while providing a positive environment, emotional support, and encouragement. Click here to learn more and to register. Participants will receive further information on how to join the virtual meeting following registration.

- The Urban League of Greater Atlanta’s Youth and Young Adult Services Program is hosting weekly Virtual Career Readiness Training Sessions via Zoom each Wednesday and Thursday, from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM. This career training will equip participants with tangible skills that will enable them to secure jobs, identify career pathways, maintain employment, problem-solve, work toward financial goals, and move into higher-skilled and better paying positions over time. For more information, contact Ebony White at 404-449-6286 or ewhite@ulgatl.org or Aaron Johnson at 404-931-6937 or ajohnson@ulgatl.org. Session participants can access the session via a smartphone or computer using the following Zoom link: https://zoom.us/j/5158655993.

- Per Scholas is hosting a Free Tech Training @ Per Scholas Atlanta Virtual Information Session on Wednesday, August 26th, from 2:00 to 3:00 PM. Through rigorous and tuition-free technology training and professional development, Per Scholas prepares motivated and curious adults who are unemployed or underemployed for successful careers as technology professionals. At the session, participants will learn more about Per Scholas, its tuition-free training model, and the admissions process. Click here for more information and to register.

- The Business Executives Networking Group (BENG) is hosting a virtual Zoom meeting on COVID-19 Unemployed – BENG to the Rescue on Tuesday, September 8th, from 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM. BENG network meetings are hosted on the second Tuesdays of each month, except for state or federal holidays. This group is a premier career advancement organization for mid-to-senior leaders in transition. Click here to register.

- WorkSource Cobb is hosting a webinar on Resume Tips in the COVID-19 Era on Monday, September 14th, at 11:00 AM. Hiring managers need to know that you can adapt to these changing times. Participants will learn how to update resumes to reflect the new digital workspace and more. Click here for a flyer. Click here to register.

- WorkSource Cobb is hosting a webinar on More Effective Interviewing During COVID-19 on Monday, September 21st, at 11:00 AM. Interviewing practices have changed with the new world of social distancing. Participants will learn what it takes to be successful and land the job. Click here for a flyer. Click here to register.

Click here to see the MAX Calendar of Events.
Virtual Services

- **Construction Ready Training Program** is a four-week accelerated NCCER ACCREDITED, hands-on construction training, and certification program that is offered in four locations in the metro Atlanta region through Construction Education Foundation of Georgia (CEFGA) and HB NEXT. The Construction Ready program connects participants to some of Atlanta’s top construction companies, which quite often leads to employment. This is a FREE background friendly and drug-free class for all eligible residents in the City of Atlanta and the following counties: Cobb, Cherokee, Clayton, DeKalb, Douglas, Fayette, Fulton, Gwinnett, Henry, and Rockdale. To learn more about Construction Ready, [click here](#). To learn more about Construction Ready’s Training Partner HB NEXT, [click here](#). Interested participants MUST join an Information Session to start the process of enrollment. Visit [www.constructionready.us](http://www.constructionready.us) or [click here](#) to sign up for a Virtual Information Session. Contact Veda White, Student Success Manager, at 678-832-6570 or email veda.white@cefga.org for more information.

- The Georgia Department of Labor provides Online Services through its website. **Employ Georgia** provides job seekers with the ability to view job postings and apply for jobs. Individuals can apply for Unemployment Insurance Benefits through GDOL’s website. [Click here](#) for COVID-19 Individual FAQs relating to unemployment benefits. [Click here](#) to learn what to do have an unemployment claim is filed. [Click here](#) for information for those with jobs impacted by COVID-19. [Click here](#) to access GDOL services.

- **Goodwill of North Georgia** offers Virtual Career Services through CareerConnector.org 24 hours a day. Job seekers can log on to CareerConnector.org and click to have a live chat with a virtual career coach. When job seekers first register online, they will be asked if they would like to schedule a 1:1 appointment with a career coach. Appointments are available by phone or virtually. Career Services staff will contact the job seeker to set up the appointment time through their preferred method of communication. Job seekers can also sign up for 1:1 appointments after they first register by accessing each career center’s online calendar. Job seekers can access virtual career services at CareerConnector.org and by phone at 844-344-WORK. [Click here](#) for a flyer.

- The **Urban League of Greater Atlanta** has remained open for business in providing all programs and services in an uninterrupted fashion while responding to the coronavirus. League staff continue to connect with job seekers and students remotely through a variety of workforce, education, and training programs. [Click here](#) to learn more about how best to access these programs.

- The **Urban League of Greater Atlanta** is currently accepting referrals for our Urban Youth Empowerment Program(UYEP) Young Fathers Program, focused on young adult fathers, ages 18 to 24, with current or prior involvement with the criminal justice system. The program will provide the program participants with access to individualized case management, career
advisement in high demand industry sectors, educational enhancement opportunities, credential attainment, mentoring, career readiness training and employment opportunities. The “young father” is required to have charges adjudicated. The goals of UYEP Young Fathers is to promote responsible parenting and successful reintegration into the community utilizing evidence-based practices that lead to healthy child development, positive relationships with young fathers and their children. In addition, improved interactions amongst young fathers and their family, community members and reduce recidivism. Supportive Services assistance may include MARTA Cards and stipends may be available at certain intervals during the program based upon eligibility and successful participation. For more information, contact Ebony White at ewhite@ulgatl.org or 404-449-6286.

- **WorkSource Cobb** seeks to support job seekers in their job search with virtual assistance while their center is closed for in-person visits. Job seekers can [click here](#) for a flyer on contacting WorkSource Cobb to access their support. [Click here](#) for a flyer on how WorkSource Cobb can help individuals whose jobs have been affected by COVID-19 get back to work. [Click here](#) for tips on identifying scams regarding work-from-home positions.

- **WorkSource Georgia** provides a number of online career services tools through the WorkSource Georgia Portal. Career Explorer helps job seekers learn about their job and personal skills they have and how those skills relate to specific occupations or careers. The tool also allows job seekers to find occupations that are similar to their current or previous jobs based on factors such as required knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to perform successfully. Job seekers can use the Job Market Explorer to find occupations that match their education, experience, and desired income level. Career Informer provides specific information on occupations such as wages, employers, future employment outlook, work activities and conditions, required skills and abilities, and job listings. [Click here](#) to access the portal.

**Online Workshops**

- **Career Spa** offers a Virtual Career Transition Workshop/Video Series. The 10-hour workshop series is available on video and can be viewed 24/7 from anywhere. The series covers how to find your sweet spot, perfect your elevator pitch, optimize your resume, effectively network, successfully interview, leverage LinkedIn/social media, and more. The series is being offered complimentary in response to COVID-19. [Click here](#) for details. For more information, contact Vernesha Smith at VerneshaSmith@careerspa.net.

- **e-work.com** offers a Remote Work/Telework Course Series to help individuals and managers improve their skills, communicate and collaborate better, improve accountability, and remain productive and effective while working remotely. The latest workshops in the series include: managing a distributed team, working in a distributed team, mobility best practices, working in a home office, and negotiation at a distance. In response to COVID-19, the registration fees for the workforces have been significantly reduced. [Click here](#) for more information.
TRAINING & EDUCATION PROGRAMS

In-Person Programs

[NOTE: Given the ever-evolving situation with COVID-19, job seekers are advised to contact the host prior to the event to confirm event plans.]

- **Altierus Career College** is now enrolling students for its programs beginning September 1st in allied health (including Dental Assistant, Medical Assistant, Medical Billing & Coding, Pharmacy Technician programs), as well as the skilled trades (including HVAC & Refrigeration programs). Altierus is a nonprofit, post-secondary career and technical school system with a campus in the Norcross area. At Altierus, students prepare for a career in an in-demand field in as few as 8 months. Most programs begin every four to five weeks. As soon as students enroll, Altierus is there to surround them with the support they need to thrive. The college’s all-inclusive training provides students with the tools and equipment to learn their profession, at no extra cost. Blended learning gives them online flexibility to balance school and life while still receiving valuable hands-on training. And the college’s focus on professional skills mean students graduate ready for their new career. Classes are now being held on-campus, conforming to CDC guidelines. Take a virtual tour of the campus and get a look inside Altierus’ industry-equipped labs by watching the 360° video accessed through the “Programs” tab on the Altierus home page and watch a short video describing some of the learning tools each student is provided. Altierus looks forward to providing you with more information and helping you jump-start your career. Click here for more information on the programs available at the Norcross Campus. The American Dream Scholarship of up to $2,000 is available for students that are referred to Altierus by other organizations. Check out Altierus’ Blog and News for Tips for Career Searching During an Economic Downturn.

- **Fulton County**, in partnership with Goodwill of North Georgia and the Metro Atlanta Chamber, has launched Career ReBoot Fulton, a new free digital literacy program for Fulton County residents who have been impacted by the economic fallout of the COVID-19 public health crisis. This new program will provide residents with (1) digital literacy training (2) career counseling and (3) employment assistance. Career ReBoot Fulton will enable recently laid-off or unemployed Fulton residents to earn industry-recognized certifications online or in-person via Goodwill of North Georgia’s career training centers. In addition, addition, Opportunity ATL, the Metro Atlanta Chamber’s job resource initiative, will provide employment connections to program participants, leveraging an existing network of employers in the region. Click here for a flyer. Click here for a one-pager with further details.

- The **Georgia Building Trades Academy** is recruiting youth (ages 16 to 24) for its upcoming YouthBuild Program which is scheduled to begin in June (pending the lifting of COVID-19 restrictions) at the IBEW Building (4th Floor) in Atlanta. The Academy is completely free to the participants and is genuinely about giving that second chance to young people that may have
been left out. Click here for the program’s website. For more information, contact Kristi Mullins at 678-983-7687 or kmullins@gabta.org.

- **Goodwill of North Georgia** offers several Job Training Programs through its metro Atlanta Career Centers that provide many opportunities for individuals to increase their marketability with industry-recognized credentials for today’s workforce. Click here to see a catalog of high-demand, short-term trainings or call 1-844-344-9675 for more information. All programs require candidates attend eligibility screenings prior to enrollment, site and program contacts are outlined below.
  - **Cartersville Career Center** is recruiting candidates for its Forklift Training Program and Welding Training Program. The next Welding class begins on Monday, September 10th. For more information, contact Nicole Hodges at nhodges@ging.org.
  - **Decatur Career Center** is recruiting candidates for its Contact Center Specialist Training Program. Program prepares participants for careers as customer service representatives and telephone call center agents. Participants will receive assessments and training in typing, computer navigation, phone etiquette, Google suites/MS suite, and customer service skills. For more information, contact Jacqueline Dottin-Dodd jddodd@ging.org or 404-554-9582 or Quasandria Turner qturner@ging.org or 678-766-8163.
  - **Decatur Career Center** is recruiting candidates for its Supply Chain Logistics Training Program. Participants have the ability to acquire a CDL, forklift certification, earn a Supply Chain Certificate from Georgia Institute of Technology, and receive paid internships. For more information, contact Jacqueline Dottin-Dodd jddodd@ging.org or 404-554-9582 or Quasandria Turner qturner@ging.org or 678-766-8163.
  - **Decatur Career Center** is recruiting candidates for its Welding Training Program. Program prepares participants for entry-level positions in welding, the average wage for graduates is $15/hour. Participants will be certified by the American Welder’s Association, receive OSHA 30, and adult CPR/first aid AED certifications. Eligibility screening will take place on Tuesday, September 1st for the next program which will run from October 5th through November 25th. For more information, contact Jacqueline Dottin-Dodd jddodd@ging.org or 404-554-9582 or Quasandria Turner qturner@ging.org or 678-766-8163.
  - **Oakwood Career Center** is recruiting candidates for its Welding Training Program. The class includes two weeks of JRT, two weeks of welding class time, and 2 weeks of internship. For more information, contact Valerie Johnson at vjohnson@ging.org.
  - **Old National Career Center** is recruiting candidates for its Forklift Training Program. Students will be engaged in a 4-week training program where they will receive job readiness training, training on five different forklift machines, and OSHA 10 certification. For more information, contact Verna Barksdale at vbarksdale@ging.org or 770-873-6941 or Capri Taylor at ctaylor2@ging.org or 678-744-3114.
  - **Old National Career Center** is recruiting candidates for its Supply Chain Logistics Training Program. Participants have the ability to acquire a forklift certification and a Supply Chain Certificate from the Georgia Institute of Technology. Eligibility screening will take place on Thursday, September 3rd. For more information, contact Verna
Barksdale at vbarksdale@ging.org or 770-873-6941 or Capri Taylor at ctaylor2@ging.org or 678-744-3114.

- **South DeKalb Career Center** is recruiting candidates for its **Building Maintenance Training Program**. Students will be engaged in a 7-week training program that provides hands-on skills training in partnership with Atlanta Apartment Association and employers in the residential housing industry. Provides credentialing opportunities for trainees that enjoy working with their hands in construction and building trades. Credentialing opportunities include basic construction, punch-out skills, EPA/HVAC & R410 national testing & certification, heating & heat pump maintenance, Certified Pool Operator Industry Certification and appliance repair exposure. The next class begins on Monday, September 7th. For more information, contact Ruquais Wiley at rwiley@ging.org or Sheretta Sanders at ssanders@ging.org or 770-713-0933.

- **South DeKalb Career Center** is recruiting candidates for its **Floor Tech/EVS Training Program**. The program is designed to prepare students for careers in the Environmental Service Industry (EVS) in healthcare and in the commercial cleaning industries. It is an 8-week training program that includes techniques used by EVS technicians and high-demand training in floor care. Participants who complete the course will receive internationally recognized EVS certifications and employment assistance. For more information, contact Ruquais Wiley at rwiley@ging.org or Sheretta Sanders at ssanders@ging.org or 770-713-0933.

- **South DeKalb Career Center** is recruiting candidates for its **Forklift Training Program**. Students will be engaged in a 4-week training program where they will receive job readiness training, training on five forklift machines and OSHA 10 certification. For more information, contact Ruquais Wiley at rwiley@ging.org or Sheretta Sanders at ssanders@ging.org or 770-713-0933.

- **South DeKalb Career Center** is recruiting candidates for its **GoodBIZ Entrepreneurship Program**, a training program for aspiring entrepreneurs and micro-business owners. In this 12-week program students receive instruction to help them establish and prospect business ownership while implementing and refining their business plan. The GoodBIZ program offers a robust curriculum that integrates business development planning, one-on-one business coaching and technical assistance opportunities for aspiring entrepreneurs and existing micro-business owners. For more information and to schedule an individualized assessment, contact Ruquais Wiley at rwiley@ging.org or 770-713-0933. (Interested individuals should text their name.)

- **South DeKalb Career Center** is recruiting candidates for its **Highway Construction Training Program**. This 8-week program is designed to prepare students for high demand careers in the construction industry. Training includes exposure to basic carpentry, electrical and plumbing industries with opportunities to receive CDL licensure, flagging, OSHA 30 and first aid/CPR certifications. For more information, contact Ruquais Wiley at rwiley@ging.org or Sheretta Sanders at ssanders@ging.org or 770-713-0933.

- **Stockbridge Career Center** is recruiting candidates for its **Forklift Training Program**. Students will be engaged in a 2-week training program where they will receive job readiness training, training on two different forklift machines and OSHA 10 certification.
Residents of Clayton County are encouraged to apply. For more information, contact Verna Barksdale at vbarksdale@ging.org or 770-873-6941 or Capri Taylor at cttaylor2@ging.org or 678-744-3114.

- Stockbridge Career Center is recruiting candidates for its GoodBIZ Entrepreneurship Program, a training program for aspiring entrepreneurs and micro-business owners. In this 12-week program Students receive instruction to help established and prospective business owners develop, implement and refine their business plan. The GoodBIZ program offers a robust curriculum that integrates business development planning, one-on-one business coaching and technical assistance opportunities for aspiring entrepreneurs and existing micro-business owners. Residents of Clayton County are encouraged to apply. For more information, contact Verna Barksdale at vbarksdale@ging.org or 770-873-6941, Melissa Stockard at mstockard@ging.org or 770-564-1182, or Capri Taylor at cttaylor2@ging.org or 678-744-3114.

- Woodstock Career Center is recruiting candidates for its Forklift Training Program and Welding Training Program. The next Welding class begins on Monday, September 10th. For more information, contact Nicole Hodges at nhodges@ging.org.

- Per Scholas Atlanta, in partnership with WorkSource Cobb and CobbWorks, is offering no-cost Computer Training and Certification for Cobb County residents, ages 18 and up, in a fully remote format. Network Support, a 15-week course to earn a CompTIA A+ Certification and Network+ Certification, will begin on October 21. Network Support is a full-time course that teaches students the skills needed to pass the CompTIA A+ and Net+ exams including computer maintenance, computer installation and troubleshooting, networking and security concepts and mobile technology. For more information, contact Per Scholas at atlanta@perscholas.org.

- WorkSource Cobb is hosting the EPSS Technician Apprenticeship program by Prime Power. The specialized training project is made possible through a grant awarded by Atlanta CareerRise. The Emergency Power Supply Systems (EPSS) Tech Apprenticeship program provides the opportunity to jump-start a career while receiving top-notch, industry recognized training. Participants must register by Tuesday, September 1st. Click here for a flyer.

- WorkSource Cobb provides No Cost Job Training for Cobb Residents to prepare for several high demand jobs, such as Insurance Management, CDL Basic Tractor Trailer Training, A+, Net+/PC Technician, General Construction, Certified Logistics Training, Project Management Professional, Certified Nursing Assistant/Patient Care Technician, and Medical Assistant. Click here for a flyer.

- WorkSource Cobb partners with Chattahoochee Technical College, Construction Ready, Goodwill of North Georgia, Per Scholas, and TechBridge to provide Industry Specialized Trainings in high-demand fields. Click here for a flyer.

- WorkSource Cobb provides ESL, citizenship, and GED classes through its English Language Learners Initiative (ELL). Through ELL, WorkSource Cobb also provides assistance with job search and new career development. Click here for a flyer.
Virtual Programs

- **A Child’s Gift** is providing online training classes and internships for individuals interested in working with young children as a **Child Development Associate**. There is no registration fee. Individuals can exchange volunteer service to participate in the program. [Click here](mailto:achildsgift@gmail.com) for a flyer. For more information, contact achildsgift@gmail.com.

- **Atlanta Public Schools Adult Education Center** is now enrolling for its **GED Prep** and **English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESL)** virtual classes. The program helps adult learners gain the college and career readiness skills needed to enter and succeed in the workforce and/or postsecondary education, and serves residents of all counties. [Click here](mailto:achildsgift@gmail.com) for a flyer in English. [Click here](mailto:achildsgift@gmail.com) for a flyer in Spanish.

- **Atlanta Technical College** is offering the following virtual programs:
  - Atlanta Technical College’s **Office of Adult Education** offers **High School Equivalency/GED® Test Prep Courses** to help individuals complete the high school equivalency credential and pass the GED® exam. The Office of Adult Education is currently conducting virtual enrollment. [Click here](mailto:adulted@atlantatech.edu) to complete the online pre-registration form. A member of our team will reach out to those who pre-register shortly thereafter. Virtual, online classes will begin on August 10th, with limited access to on-site classrooms. For more information, contact adulted@atlantatech.edu or call 404-225-4433.
  
  - Atlanta Technical College’s **Economic Development Division** is providing access to free online, self-paced tutorial courses that highlight a mix of hard and soft skills essential to success in today’s rapidly changing job market. Atlanta Technical College is providing these courses at no cost in an effort to support our communities, business and industry, and individuals in this time of need. These online courses can be useful both professionally and personally. The 10 free courses are offered in partnership with the **Technical College System of Georgia**. These courses encompass a variety of topics useful in any work environment. For course and registration information visit: [https://gvtc.tcsd.edu/econdev](https://gvtc.tcsd.edu/econdev). The courses are: (1) Ten Soft Skills You Need, (2) Attention Management, (3) Business Etiquette, (4) Customer Service, (5) Emotional Intelligence, (6) Goal Setting and Getting Things Done, (7) Job Search Skills, (8) Telework and Telecommuting, (9) Time Management, and (10) Workplace Diversity.

- **Chattahoochee Technical College** is offering the following virtual programs:
  - Chattahoochee Technical College is offering **Online & WebEx Training Courses**, our **Online Skills Training** includes Industrial Maintenance/Electrical & Mechanical CNC with costs as low as $50 per module. Our **Virtual Business Trainings** can be completed in 3 to 18 months with recognized certifications. Certificates are available in Leadership Training, Supervisory Development, Lean Six Sigma GB & BB (Project & Test), Project Management Professional (PMP), & Computer Skills for the Workplace. For our complete Catalog for Short-term Training visit [https://www.ed2go.com/chattced/](https://www.ed2go.com/chattced/).
Prepare for employment in some of today’s hottest careers at Chattahoochee Technical College, with a comprehensive, affordable, and self-paced Online Career Training Program. You can begin these Programs at any time and learn at your own pace. Upon successful completion of all required coursework, you will receive a Certificate of Completion in your subject area. Careers available in our 6 to 18-month offerings include Arts and Design, Business, Computer Applications, Computer Programming, Construction and Trades, Health and Fitness, Hospitality, and Information Technology. For more information and program details visit careertraining.ed2go.com/chattced/

Join Chattahoochee Technical College for our Instructor Lead On-Line Short Courses. These online 6-week courses are informative, fun, convenient, and highly interactive. We focus on creating warm, supportive communities for our learners. New course sessions begin monthly, are project-oriented and include lessons, quizzes, hands-on assignments, discussion areas, supplementary links, and more. Subject areas include Accounting and Finance, Business, College Readiness, Computer Applications, Design and Composition, Healthcare and Medical, Language and Arts, Personal Development, Teaching and Education, and Technology. For details visit our website at ed2go.com/chattced/.

In an effort to support our communities, business and industry, and individuals in this time of need, Chattahoochee Technical College through TSCG is offering FREE access to several self-paced online, basic soft-skills courses that encompass a variety of topics useful in any work environment. Available courses are: The Soft Skills You Need, Attention Management, Business Etiquette, Customer Service, Emotional Intelligence, Goal Setting and Getting Things Done, Job Search Skills, Telework and Telecommuting, Time Management, & Workplace Diversity. Please click the this link https://www.chattahoocheetech.edu/free-professional-development-courses/ to explore these opportunities.

Chattahoochee Technical College is offering affordable classes in Microsoft Office, Forklift trainings, and Industrial Maintenance. For more information on these classes and others click this link https://www.chattahoocheetech.edu/economic-development-training-and-continuing-education-courses/ or call April Cowan at (770) 529-2373

- Literacy Action is committed to helping adult learners overcome barriers to achieving academic and career success in these critical times by offering a broad range of Virtual Classes in adult basic education, GED preparation, English as a Second Language, digital literacy, and workforce literacy. Supplemental services such as individual career and academic counseling, work-readiness workshops, and financial literacy enrichment courses are also offered on an ongoing basis. Click here to join Literacy Action’s next virtual orientation and learn more.

- Morehouse College and Opportunity HUB (OHUB) announce a new virtual coding school, Momentum@Morehouse, for career starters and career changers who want to thrive as software developers. The 12-week coding bootcamp, one of a few such programs at a historically black college or university (HBCU), supports Morehouse’s focus on creating pathways to lucrative careers in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) for
under-represented minority groups. Momentum@Morehouse students will receive hands-on programming instruction from tech experts using a curriculum based in proven methodology that provides the technical knowledge and soft skills necessary for success in the workplace. Graduates will also receive access to career coaching and networking opportunities, as well as classes in the culture of work in tech and startup skills for entrepreneurs. Click here to read the news release. Click here to learn more.

• **Project Re-Start** is now accepting applications for **Project Re-Start Atlanta 2020**. Through Project Re-Start, individuals with criminal convictions receive cost-free 10-week virtual training. Individuals will focus on personal development, financial education, entrepreneurship, exploring employment and education options and the ability to secure micro-grants to be used for their goals. Click here for a flyer. For more information, contact projectrestartatl@gmail.com.

• **Southern Crescent Technical College** is offering the following virtual programs:
  o **Southern Crescent Technical College** is offering its **Six Sigma Yellow Belt Training**, an 8-hour class in two half-day sessions, from Wednesday, September 9th through Thursday, September 10th, from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The Yellow Belt Program is an introduction to Six Sigma plus Lean. It includes the fundamentals of Six Sigma and is a foundation for advancing to the Green Belt Level of this quality management system. Click here for a flyer.

• **Start It Up Georgia** is offering a FREE 12-week virtual program open to anyone who wants to learn how to start their own business, including mentorship, practical learning labs, and the potential for seed funding. The program launches on Monday, August 10th. Click here to learn more and apply.

• The **University System of Georgia** offers **100% online post-secondary eMajor degrees and credentials** that address the **high-demand workplace** needs of Georgia and beyond. Programs range from Business Administration, Nursing, Criminal Justice, Cybersecurity, Organizational Leadership, and other highly sought-after degrees – all through public University System of Georgia institutions you know and trust. eMajor degrees are ideal for both traditional and non-traditional students who wish to take advantage of online course delivery in a flexible, accessible, and affordable manner. Tuition for all eMajor programs **is just $199/credit hour**. Eligible students with previous work experience, military training, or other relevant training can click here to learn how to shorten their time to degree completion by earning college credit for prior learning. Click here to visit the eMajor website to learn more about 100 percent online eMajor degrees offered through the University System of Georgia.

• The **University System of Georgia** presents **USG Learning Everywhere**, an online platform to access a diverse set of educational resources to anyone, anywhere, who wants to learn and experience new things online. From lifelong learners to those just starting out, these free materials help meet the needs of a rapidly changing, increasingly digital world. In addition to providing materials for adult learners, the platform provides access to resources such as
Georgia’s Public Libraries, open textbooks, and Georgia’s virtual library GALILEO to assist K-12 students as they are home-schooling. [Click here](#) to learn more.

- **The University System of Georgia’s Georgia ONmyLINE** is a database of online programs and courses offered through the accredited institutions within the University System of Georgia. The Georgia ONmyLINE resource is designed for professionals, adult learners, military service members, teachers, traditional students, or those looking to continue their education to have a central place to search for Georgia public online learning. [Click here](#) to explore courses and degrees.

- **TechBridge Technology Career Program,** in partnership with **Goodwill of North Georgia, WorkSource Cobb** and **CobbWorks,** is offering no-cost **Microsoft Azure Training and Certification** for Cobb County residents, ages 18 and up, in a fully remote format. Microsoft Azure Developer Certification Pathway, a 16-week course to earn Front End Web Developer Certification and Microsoft Azure Fundamentals Certification, will begin on September 21st. Microsoft Azure Pathway is a part-time course that teaches students the skills needed to pass the CSS, Bootstrap, jQuery and Javascript and Microsoft Azure Fundamental exams including how to design, build, test, maintain and implement application and services. [Click here](#) for flyer. For more information, [click here](#) to register for an informational workshop.

**SUPPORTIVE SERVICES**

*Events*

- The **Urban League of Greater Atlanta** hosts a weekly online **COVID 19 Community Resources & Help Forum** on Fridays, at 11:00 AM. During the forums, League staff share information on food, rent, and utility assistance; small business loans; mental health; COVID-19 testing sites, and other community resources. [Click here](#) to register.

*Resources*

- The **Atlanta Community Food Bank** connects public benefits to families and individuals who qualify through its **Benefits Outreach Program**, helping them secure assistance with food, healthcare, childcare and more. The Benefits Outreach team can assist individuals with navigating the new rules regarding SNAP in order to access SNAP benefits. [Click here](#) for some important updates about benefit programs from the Atlanta Community Food Bank. [Click here](#) for more information on the Benefits Outreach Program.

- The **Atlanta Regional Commission** has allocated $1.9 million in **Families First Coronavirus Response Act** funds to provide meals to older Atlantans at risk for food insecurity. Older adults across metro Atlanta can receive meal deliveries from ARC partner providers. [Click here](#) to learn more and to see a list of the partner providers.
• **Aunt Bertha** is a **Social Care Network** that connects people seeking help with verified social care providers that serve them. Thousands of nonprofits and social care providers serve their communities. But for most people, navigating the system to get help has been difficult, time consuming, and frustrating. Too many Americans are suffering, and they don’t need to. The online service makes it easy for people to find social services in their communities, for nonprofits to coordinate their efforts, and for customers to integrate social care into the work they already do. The nationwide service provides the opportunity to find social care providers by zip codes including those serving in the Atlanta region. [Click here](#) to learn more.

• **The Center for Black Women’s Wellness** provides Screening Mammograms for uninsured women 40 years or older. Transportation is available through Rideshare or MARTA. Appointment is required. [Click here](#) for a flyer. Call 404-688-9202, extension 13, for more information.

• **Empowerline** provides a front desk for people who need help navigating life changes and surprise obstacles in their homes, with their health, and in their communities. The service, powered by the **Aging and Independent Services Group** of the Atlanta Regional Commission, helps connect people with private and publicly funded resources from more than 26,000 community based providers. Empowerline is part of **Georgia’s Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) network**, a No Wrong Door access point for information requests and assistance. Together, we work to simplify complex program offerings, identify long-term services and support solutions, and reduce caregiver burden. [Click here](#) for a flyer. [Click here](#) for more information.

• The **Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning** is maintaining an updated listing of child care centers that are still open during the COVID-19 outbreak. This information is especially helpful to support essential workers who need child care support. [Click here](#) to learn more.

• The **Georgia Department of Human Services, Division of Family and Children Services** has created **Georgia Gateway** to make it easier to access social services benefits online. Individuals can apply for benefits and learn the latest on SNAP, TANF, Medicaid, PeachCare for Kids and other benefits. [Click here](#) to access.

• The **Georgia Department of Public Health** is working to expedite and facilitate WIC services in light of the current COVID-19 pandemic. **Georgia WIC** is open for women, infants, and children. [Click here](#) to learn more.

• **Tommy Nobis Center** is an authorized **Medicaid Waiver** program provider. Medicaid Waiver is a federally funded program that helps provide services to people who would otherwise be in an institution, nursing home, or hospital to receive long-term care in the community. Tommy Nobis offers three types of Medicaid waiver programs: **Community Access, Pre-vocational and Supportive Employment**. Community Access Individual and Group Services are designed to help participants acquire, retain or improve self-help, socialization and adaptive skills required for active participation and independent functioning outside the home. Prevocational Services
prepare participants for paid or unpaid employment and include teaching concepts such as task completion, problem solving, attendance and safety. Supported Employment Group/Individual Services enable participants, for whom competitive employment at or above the minimum wage is unlikely absent the provision of supports, to work in a regular work setting. Contact Denitra Parker at 770-427-9000 ext. 5153 or Denitra.Parker@TommyNobisCenter.org for additional information.

- **Tommy Nobis Center** is an authorized Ticket to Work provider and is accepting applications. Ticket to Work is a federally-funded employment program designed for people who want to improve their earning potential and are committed to preparing for long-term success in the workplace. The service is free for individuals age 18 through 64 who receive Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI). The Tommy Nobis Center is now serving Cobb, Fulton, Paulding, Cherokee, Douglas, and DeKalb county residents. Contact Denitra Parker, Program Manager, at 770-427-9000 ext. 5153, denitra.parker@tommynobiscenter.org or click here for more information. Click here for the flyer.

- **United Way of Greater Atlanta** continues to provide the Atlanta region’s most comprehensive resource for information and referral services through its online 2-1-1 Contact Center. The digital platform connects families with community resources that enables them to thrive - resources like food pantries, job search and placement agencies, and financial emergency assistance agencies. This help is provided so that families can recover and become sustainable once again. There are more than 5,000 agencies listed in the 2-1-1 database. 2-1-1 is free, confidential, and available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, in over 140 different languages. Click here to learn more.

**EVENTS FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPERS AND EMPLOYERS**

**Opportunities with Local Hosts**

- The **Georgia Chamber** will host its Resiliency & Recovery Business Breakfast virtual event on Wednesday, August 26th, at 8:00 AM. Learn more about the six top trends that will impact our economy, post-COVID. Georgia Chamber CEO Chris Clark will drill down into each of these six trends with subsequent virtual breakfast sessions to help Georgia's business leaders prepare for an expeditious recovery and a resilient, but rapidly changing, New Georgia Economy. Click here to register.

- The **Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta’s Center for Workforce and Economic Opportunity (CWEO)** is hosting its next Ask Us Anything: Childcare as a Key Community Development Priority virtual event on Wednesday, August 26th, at 2:00 PM. Join CWEO for a conversation on the intersection and alignment of childcare, workforce development, and economic development. We will be joined by the Atlanta Fed’s Brittany Birken, a specialist on childcare and child development; Dale Brill, senior vice president of research at the Foundation for
Orlando’s Future within the Orlando Economic Partnership; and former president of the United Way of Florida, Ted Granger. Come and learn from our experts on how they collectively worked together in the state of Florida to focus on childcare as a key community development priority. Click here to register.

- **Georgia Power** is hosting a webinar on Thursday, August 27th, 10:00 AM, on Reskilling & Upskilling. This webinar is third session of Georgia Power’s four-part webinar series, Workforce Strategies: Managing the Now, Preparing the New. This webinar series will present resources on how to assess, prepare, and execute a plan for recovery. On August 27th, the discussion will focus on how one model is emerging to help middle skill workers train for occupations in growing fields where a wide set of players -- non-institutional education providers, community colleges, nonprofit organizations, and employers -- are creating a new ecosystem that offers learners reskilling and upskilling to open new pathways to stable employment and economic opportunities. For more, visit: [https://sites.selectgeorgia.com/workforce/](https://sites.selectgeorgia.com/workforce/). Click here to register.

- **Partnership Gwinnett** is hosting a webinar on Transferable Skills: The New Currency for HR Professionals and Job Seekers on Thursday, August 27th, from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Join Partnership Gwinnett as we hear from EMSI, an organization dedicated to using data to drive economic prosperity, about identifying transferrable skills for both the job seeker and employer. Click here for a flyer. Click here to register.

- **Literacy Action** is hosting a Virtual Conversation on The State of Literacy During the Pandemic: Retooling the Low Literate Workforce During COVID on Tuesday, September 1st, at 2:00 PM. In commemoration of National Literacy Month, Literacy Action is hosting a series of virtual conversations in September. Guest speakers for the September 1st conversation include Stuart Andreason and Sarah Miller with Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Center for Workforce and Economic Opportunity. Click here for a flyer.

- **Georgia Power** is hosting a webinar on Thursday, September 10th, 10:00 AM, on Equity in Workforce, Education & Economic Development. This webinar is third session of Georgia Power’s four-part webinar series, Workforce Strategies: Managing the Now, Preparing the New. This webinar series will present resources on how to assess, prepare, and execute a plan for recovery. On September 10th, this session will bring together thought leaders to discuss equitable economic development. The way we work, train and educate is changing. To meet the increasing demands of industry, education and communities, public and private entities must collaborate to close the opportunity gap for Georgians. For more, visit: [https://sites.selectgeorgia.com/workforce/](https://sites.selectgeorgia.com/workforce/). Click here to register.

- The **Georgia Department of Human Services (DHS), Division of Family and Children Services (DFCS)** and the **Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA)** is hosting their Virtual iWORC Housing Workshop on Wednesday, October 7th, from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM. Community based organizations, state agencies, community partners and other providers who provide direct services to Georgia’s most vulnerable individuals and families are invited to take part in
the workshop. The goal of the workshop is to provide useful information on the various housing programs in the state. In addition, information on additional housing funding provided by our federal partners due to the pandemic will be shared. There is no charge for the workshop but registration is required to ensure an accurate headcount. The Microsoft Teams Meeting details and call-in number will be provided after registration has been closed. Click here for a flyer. For any additional information about this workshop, contact iWORC Chair, Santrissa Johnson at Santrissa.Johnson@dhs.ga.gov.

**Opportunities with National Hosts**

- **WorkforceGPS**, an interactive online communication and learning technical assistance platform sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor’s Employment and Training Administration (ETA), presents the webinar, *Walkthrough Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) Final Rule*, on Monday, August 24th, from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM. The Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) Final Rule represents the first extensive overhaul of TAA Program regulations since 1994. This session will provide a walkthrough of the major updates to the rule and an overview of what is new versus what represents no change to regulations or no change to current Operating Instructions. This is an introduction to the content of the Final Rule with some detail in each Subpart. Click here for more information and to register.

- The **National Association of Workforce Development Professionals (NAWDP)** is hosting a webinar on *How WIOA Youth Overcome Barriers to Job and Life Success* on Tuesday, August 25th, at 2:00 PM EST (1:00 PM CST). With the continued emphasis of out-of-school youth under WIOA, coupled with the challenges of the COVID-19 crisis, many WIOA are falling through the cracks. With many organizations working from home, this becomes more of a challenge. For the past 20 years, Darrell "Coach D" Andrews and his team of consultants have helped thousands of in and out-of-school youth connect dreams to careers. His companies training for workforce development professionals has inspired countless teams to try innovative solutions to engaging this talented but troubled population of youth. As challenging as it is to do virtually, it can be done. Click here to learn more and register.

- **Brookings** is hosting a webcast on *Can We Alleviate Racism and Systemic Inequality by Expanding Broadband During COVID-19?* on Tuesday, August 25th, from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM. COVID-19 has forced both routine and critical activities to the internet, ranging from school, commerce, and employment, to essential government services. Internet connectivity has also helped to reduce community spread by allowing people to maintain physical distance and, for some, has alleviated the pressure of social isolation. But despite the increased need for high-speed, reliable internet access, many Americans are still struggling to bridge the digital divide—especially in communities of color, where a lack of broadband access reinforces systemic inequality. The Center for Technology Innovation at Brookings will host a webinar to discuss the effect of the coronavirus pandemic on the digital landscape and why expanding internet access to all is a crucial step toward mitigating systemic inequality in America. Click here for more information and to register.
• **Prosperity Now** is hosting a webinar on *Addressing Student Loan Debt: Federal, State, and Institutional Solutions and the Impact of COVID-19* on Tuesday, August 25th, from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM. As students are preparing to return to school this fall, whether remotely or in-person, for many, the inevitable question arises, how are they going to pay for it? This webinar will focus on the impact of student loan debt on financial security and future opportunities for households, particularly low-income families and communities of color. [Click here](#) to learn more and register.

• **FiscalNote** is hosting a webinar on *DEI and the Future of Public & Government Affairs* on Wednesday, August 26th, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The calls to increase diversity, equity, and inclusion at every level of leadership across multiple organizations continues as social movements rise across the country. Government and public affairs organizations, a traditionally homogeneous industry, is also under pressure to address these concerns. This webinar will feature a panel of industry leaders to discuss tangible, concrete, and actionable initiatives that government relations, grassroots advocacy, and public affairs professionals can take to address diversity, equity, and inclusion disparities and make their voices heard. [Click here](#) to register.

• **The Golden Shovel Agency** is hosting a webinar on *The New Reality of Economic Development* on Wednesday, August 26th, at 2:00 PM EST (1:00 PM CST). Plans, procedures, and everything we used to know has been thrown out the window as COVID-19 has taken over. With that, we can’t assume that everything will just go back to "normal" when we come out of the pandemic. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

• **The Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM)** is hosting a webcast on *The Social Enterprise at Work: Preparing for the Path Forward* on Wednesday, August 26th, at 2:00 PM. As workforces become more dynamic, social and team-based, it is more important than ever to engage employees and deliver experiences that create value. Over the last decade, many organizations have invested heavily in HR cloud technology without realizing the anticipated benefits. Technology, particularly human capital management (HCM) technology, needs to be viewed as an enabler of connectivity and belonging, not just as a driver of financial value. It is time for organizations to become more agile and consider a holistic approach to achieving incremental and sustainable results when embarking on a digital transformation. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

• **The National Association of Counties (NACo)** is hosting a webinar on *COVID-19 Impacts on County Finances: Municipal Bonds, Credit Ratings and Issuing New Debt* on Wednesday, August 26th, from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM. COVID-19 has impacted municipal finance on every level, altering revenue projects, municipal markets and long-term planning for county governments. Each of these changes impacts how counties will meet our wide-ranging financial obligations. In this webinar, you will hear from counties who are navigating these changes and learn from ratings agencies and municipal advisors on how COVID-19 could impact your credit rating as well as existing and new issuances. [Click here](#) to register.
The International Economic Development Council (IEDC) is hosting a webinar on Race & Economic Development: Beginning America’s Next Story on Wednesday, August 26th, from 3:00 PM to 4:00 PM. TIP Strategies President Tracye McDaniel and PolicyLink Founder Angela Glover Blackwell will have a candid conversation on the state of our economy with a particular focus on the pandemic’s devastating ramifications for communities of color, what can be learned from nationwide Black Lives Matter protests, and how we can build more equitable local economies. [Click here](#) to register.

The International Association of Workforce Professionals (IAWP) is hosting the IAWP Virtual Social Hour on Wednesdays, 7:30 PM. The format is casual and the social hours are open to both members and non-members alike. The format is casual so grab your favorite beverage, pet or snack and join IAWP to discuss the joys of social distancing, remote work, workforce issues, health and safety, or whatever other topics you’d like to share with IAWP colleagues. [Click here](#) to learn more.

The International Association of Workforce Professionals (IAWP) is hosting WORKFORCEDEV2020, a virtual learning event for workforce professionals, from Thursday, August 27th through Friday, August 28th. WORKFORCEDEV2020 is an all new event for workforce development professionals from across the country and around the world. This two-day event features thought leaders and experts who will help each of us reimagine how we do our work, reconnect with colleagues, and reenergize ourselves. [Click here](#) to learn more and register.

Chmura is hosting a webinar on How to Reopen Job Centers Without Getting People Sick on Friday, August 28th, at 12:00 PM. In this webinar, Dr. Chris Chmura will give an update on the national economy. Lori Strumpf, Founder of Strumpf Associates, will examine many of the complex issues that leaders need to think about for reopening organizations that provide services that help jobseekers get jobs and businesses find the talent they need as they reopen. Information will include examples from several states as well as the Centers for Disease Control. We will examine how to create a welcoming and safe facility, how to manage customer flow, and how to acculturate staff to the new environment, from wearing masks to the cleaning procedures required. [Click here](#) to register.

United Minds, a Weber Shandwick consultancy, is hosting the Forward to Work Webinar Series: Perspectives to Guide Re-entry on Fridays at 12:00 PM. Examples of webinar topics include Preparing Leaders & Managers, Building Employee Resiliency, Fostering Workplace Inclusion, and Safe-Guarding Reputation. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

Emsi is hosting a webinar on The New Era of College Recruiting on Wednesday, September 2nd, at 2:00 PM EST (11:00 PST). The webinar will feature a panel of employers, educators, and data experts having a conversation about inclusion, diversity, and the use of labor data in recruiting strategy. [Click here](#) to learn more and register.

REMI is hosting a webinar on Economic Forecasting Uncertainty on the U.S. Economies on Wednesday, September 9th, from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM. The COVID-19 pandemic has significantly
interfered with normal economic activity across the nation. These interruptions have also created significant economic forecasting challenges and constrained the ability of governments to think critically about long-term solutions. This webinar will discuss the numerous obstacles brought on by the current outbreak and how they have impaired planning procedures across the country. Chief Economist Chris Christopher, Jr., PhD, CBE from the New York State Division of the Budget will analyze the economic forecasting uncertainty on the national and sub-national economies since the first two months of the year, drawing upon various economic forecasting surveys, data revisions, and high-frequency indicators. REMI’s Peter Evangelakis, PhD, will provide overviews of state level responses to the pandemic and descriptions of the methodological approaches that can be used when examining the uncertainty surrounding economic forecasting using the REMI model. Click here to register.

- The National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) is hosting a webinar on Building the 21st Century Energy Workforce on Thursday, September 10th, at 3:00 PM. Workforce development is one of the most important issues facing the U.S. energy industry that employs 6.7 million Americans. Clean energy jobs are growing as new technologies come online, while some traditional resources—such as coal-fired power plants—are shutting down, leaving a growing number of Americans out of work. Large-scale retirements among an aging workforce also present new challenges for hiring qualified workers across the energy sector. This session will explore the workforce challenges and opportunities facing the energy sector, highlight how the coronavirus pandemic is shifting the energy jobs landscape and how policymakers can support and train skilled workers to fill these vital positions. Click here to register.

- Jobs for the Future is hosting a two-day virtual institute on Women in Skilled Manufacturing Apprenticeships & Careers: An Introduction to Equity and Inclusion from Tuesday, September 15th through Wednesday, September 16th. Manufacturers must reassess and adjust their operations as the COVID-19 crisis continues with a focus on rebuilding a more versatile, diverse workforce in order to contribute to a stronger, more equitable economy. In these talent recruitment and development activities, evidence shows manufacturing employers will perform better if women are significantly represented in the workforce. Yet, the industry still comprises only approximately 30 percent women. This 2-day virtual institute will provide manufacturing industry leaders and stakeholders with a unique opportunity to learn about and discuss best practices for hiring, training, and retaining women and help the manufacturing industry build a more robust talent pipeline. Click here for more information and to register.

- Prosperity Now is hosting its first-ever Virtual Prosperity Summit from Wednesday, September 30th to Friday, October 2nd. Every two years, Prosperity Now creates a diverse, energetic, dynamic, and purposeful space for dedicated individuals working to advance economic justice. The Summit has long been a place for our partners in the field to share and learn best practices, discover new solutions, and galvanize around policies that promote financial security for all. This opportunity to convene and mobilize is critically important as we navigate the current health and economic crisis, as well as fight for economic justice and anti-racist policies affecting opportunity and equity for communities of color. Click here to learn more and register.
• The **National Career Pathway Network (NCPN)** is hosting its **2020 Virtual Conference** from Thursday, October 15th through Friday, October 16th, from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM each day. The Conference will consist of inspiring keynotes, featured presentations, and informative panels. A wide range of asynchronous breakout sessions will be offered and available for viewing at your convenience. [Click here](#) to stay tuned.

• The **National Association of Workforce Development Professionals (NAWDP)** is hosting a webinar on **Monetizing Business Services: “Show” Instead of “Tell” the Value of Your Business Services** on Monday, November 9th, at 2:00 PM EST (1:00 PM CDT). Whether a business-facing staff is just starting to work with employers or is a seasoned practitioner, this webinar presented by **Business U** strategically elevates the practice of business engagement using a demand-driven and market-responsive framework. Participants will learn how to articulate to employers the benefits of value-based business services by "showing" instead of "telling" how much a workforce development service, program, or activity would cost in the open market if it were for sale. [Click here](#) to learn more and register.

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**INSIGHTS FOR WORKFORCE DEVELOPERS AND EMPLOYERS**

**Local Insights**

• From the **Andrew Young School of Public Policy, Georgia Health Policy Center**, at **Georgia State University**: With the nation now in the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic, the health care, public health, and social services sectors are rapidly adapting to new ways of working together as resources are stretched and both workers and the public are more socially distant from one another. The coronavirus creates a new sense of urgency for how we design interactions among the three systems. [Click here](#) to read more.

• From **Atlanta Regional Commission**: **ARC’s COVID-19 Weekly Report** for the week ending August 21, 2020 reveals that new unemployment insurance claims were down by 8.1 percent and new job postings were down by 35.8 percent from the previous week. The region saw more than more than 7,500 new COVID-19 cases. [Click here](#) to read more.

• From the **Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta**: Unprecedented is probably not a strong enough word to describe the current economic conditions in the country. Since March, tens of millions of workers have lost their jobs due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In the most recent unemployment claims weekly report, over 30 million workers remained on a continued unemployment claim either through traditional unemployment insurance or the Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation program. The impacts of the crisis have disproportionately hurt communities of color and women. An economic challenge of this nature has not been seen in a generation, and, at the same time, it highlights generational, persistent racial disadvantage and disparities. [Click here](#) to read more.
From the **Georgia Budget and Policy Institute (GBPI)**: The unemployment rate is calculated as the number of people who are not working but actively seeking employment divided by the entire labor force. It is one of many important measures of labor market strength. However, its full utility as a policy tool remains unrealized. To truly understand the labor force, two primary actions must be taken. First, the unemployment rate must no longer be singularly highlighted when describing the health of our labor market. Second, the rate and other indicators of labor force participation must be disaggregated across race, ethnicity and gender. [Click here](#) to read more.

### National Insights

- From **The Aspen Institute**: 2020 has been a challenging year across the globe. As a result of the pandemic, economic instability, and societal reckoning with inequality, mental health issues—from anxiety to depression to loneliness—are on the rise across various populations. This unprecedented moment underscores the innate need for humans to connect with one another, share our experiences, and form resilient communities. [Click here](#) to learn more.

- From **Brookings**: The Brookings Institution is offering content for teachers and students on economics, social policy, politics, government, and international relations. Please feel free to download, link, embed, print, or use these materials however works best for your educational needs. [Click here](#) to learn more.

- From **Chmura**: Hiring demand—exemplified by new online job ad volume—continued its recovery through July but remained lower than pre-COVID levels, especially in certain occupation groups and areas of the country. [Click here](#) to read more.

- From **Emsi**: Finally, July’s new job postings climbed 3% above pre-COVID levels. After a desperate plummet in March and April followed by weeks of halting ascent, job postings officially rose above the last normal numbers set at the beginning of 2020. [Click here](#) to read more.

- From **Federal Reserve System**: Over the last four decades, the U.S. economy has experienced a few secular trends, each of which may be considered undesirable in some aspects: declining labor share; rising profit share; rising income and wealth inequalities; and rising household sector leverage, and associated financial instability. We develop a real business cycle model and show that the rise of market power of the firms in both product and labor markets over the last four decades can generate all of these secular trends. We derive macroprudential policy implications for financial stability. [Click here](#) to read more.

- From **Gallup**: The coronavirus pandemic continues to ravage the U.S. -- particularly the Sun Belt states -- and Gallup's ongoing tracking survey finds that Americans' outlook is gloomy. [Click here](#) to read more.
• From Jobs for the Future: Walmart, the largest private employer in the US with 1.5 million associates and more than 4,700 stores, is dedicated to helping its communities build back stronger coming out of the COVID-19 crisis. Due to their status as an essential service provider, Walmart stores remained open during this crisis. Click here to read more.

• From the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE): In August 2020, NACE launched quick polls to gauge how institutions, organizations, and individual career services and recruiting offices are responding to the need to address racial injustice. Click here to learn more.

• From the National Association of Workforce Boards (NAWB): In the United States the framework for economic recovery is already in place through more than 550 local workforce development boards (WDBs). These WDBs span local areas across the country, operating 2,000+ American Job Centers (AJCs). Local WDBs are practiced, effective, and agile frontline responders for local economies. The COVID-19 crisis is not their first challenge, though it may prove to be their greatest. Click here to read more.

• From the National Fund for Workforce Solutions: In 2012, hospitals and large healthcare systems were asking a simple question: “Why are frontline workers leaving their jobs, even for a very small salary increase?” A couple of years later, other industries would follow with their own, related question: “Is the skills gap still the biggest reason we can’t find the right talent?” Back then, who would have guessed that these questions would ultimately create a movement that spurred over $14 million in investments to improve job quality across a broad range of industries? Click here to read more.

• From the National Skills Coalition: No sector was immune to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and recession. But the path to economic recovery will look different on an industry-by-industry basis – some of the jobs lost or furloughed due to the pandemic will simply not come back, some small businesses are struggling to remain afloat, and the outlook on how long it will take business to return to normal grows more uncertain. Click here to read more.

• From Prosperity Now: The COVID-19 pandemic has already had an unprecedented impact on the financial lives of households across the country. During June and July 2020, Prosperity Now conducted a national survey of lower-income households to better understand the circumstances these households are confronted with and the strategies they use to secure resources to navigate this crisis. Nearly 40% of lower-income households feel worse off financially as a result of the pandemic. Click here to learn more.

• From the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM): The main problem with stereotypes is that they assume particular types of people or things are the same. Without exposure to people from various walks of life, people can’t address and correct their stereotypes. Click here to read more.

• From Strada Education Network: Five months into the pandemic, Americans are now three times more likely than they were in April to believe COVID-19’s impact will last more than a
year. As we look at the start of the academic year, what is Americans’ assessment of the educational value of the year ahead? How do we feel about whether students should be returning to college for in-person classes? And how do the feelings of those who lost jobs or income during the pandemic differ from those who didn’t? Click here to read more.

- From WorkingNation: As coronavirus shutdowns rolled across the country, tens of millions of people lost their jobs or were put on temporary furlough by April. Now, three months later, employers have now hired or called back about 9 million of those workers, but 16.3 million people are still out of work and looking for jobs, according to the latest report from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Click here to read more.

Data Tools

- From the Atlanta Regional Commission: Using data from the Georgia Department of Public Health and other sources, ARC has created a regional data dashboard to see the number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the Atlanta region. Click here to learn more.

- From the Atlanta Regional Commission: ARC’s COVID-19 Weekly Report provides the latest data about the state of the novel coronavirus in the Atlanta area. Information comes from the Georgia Department of Public Health, Georgia Labor Market Explorer, and Google COVID-19 Mobility Reports, among others. Click here to learn more.

- From Atlanta Regional Commission: Each week ARC provides an updated research and analytics through the 33°n blog. Click here to see data on impacts to low-income workers and people of color. Click here to see a zip code map of vulnerable jobs. Click here to see data on social distancing. Click here to see data on mobility changes. Click here to see data on mobility patterns by industry. Click here to see a compendium of other data.

- From Brookings: The COVID-19 Metro Recovery Watch is aimed at informing local and state recovery strategies from COVID-19’s historic economic impacts in ways that link near-term resilience to longer-term economic transformation, racial equity, and economic inclusion. Click here to review the Metro Recovery Index.

- From Chmura: The COVID-19 Vulnerability Index describes communities most economically at-risk based solely on how a region’s mix of industries is impacted by shutdowns. This information can inform policy decisions about where state and federal aid should be directed to provide maximum support for the broader economy and to protect our most economically vulnerable citizens. Click here to see the index.

- From Chmura: Knowing which occupations can be performed remotely—that is, by working from home—is valuable for understanding the future of labor force supply in the post-COVID economy. The Remote Work Index compares the mix of remote-work employment in the region versus the average in the nation. Click here to learn more.
• From Emsi: To better understand where and why COVID-19 has spread within the United States, Emsi has developed a Health Risk Index. This index accounts for the key factors that have given the virus a stronger foothold in some regions, while others have been largely spared. Click here to see the index. Click here for information on other COVID-19 data tools.

• From Emsi: Track job posting trends by month and compare to 2019 averages through the Job Postings Dashboard. You can also filter by region, industry, company, job, and skill. Click here to see the dashboard. Click here for information on other COVID-19 data tools.

• From the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, Center for Workforce and Economic Opportunity (CWEO): The Unemployment Claims Monitor displays data from the weekly and monthly unemployment claims reports from the U.S. Department of Labor. It is updated every Thursday. Users will find weekly and monthly data on claims and on who have filed for unemployment insurance, including special unemployment programs like Short-Time Compensation (or Workshare), Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees, Ex-Service Members, and Extended Benefits programs. Click here to learn more.

• From Georgia Power: Georgia Power has created a web page to track Community Key Performance Indicators, a compilation of relevant data from some of the most reliable sources to help track key indicators of COVID-19 and how it is impacting Georgia communities. Click here for data on workforce impacts. Click here to learn more.

• From the National Conference of State Legislatures: The State Action on Coronavirus (COVID-19) Database includes up-to-date, real-time information about bills related to and responding to the pandemic that have been introduced in the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Click here to access.

• From Neighborhood Nexus: Neighborhood Nexus, a data partner of ARC, has developed interactive maps that show the location of Georgia’s most vulnerable people – whether they are vulnerable medically or economically. Click here to learn more.

• From Surgo Foundation: Every community in the U.S. will be affected by COVID-19 but the impacts will not be the same in each. The COVID-19 Community Vulnerability Index identifies which communities may need the most support as coronavirus takes hold. Click here to see the index.

• From the University of Georgia, Carl Vinson Institute of Government (CVIOG): CVIOG has created a web page to access COVID-19 Economic Data through its Georgiadata.org portal. Click here to learn more.
COVID-19 RESPONSE AND RECOVERY

The [Georgia Department of Economic Development](https://www.gov/gdec) (GDEcD) has published guidelines for businesses regarding their operations in light of COVID-19. [Click here](https://www.gov/gdec) to see the guidelines. GDEcD is leading the state’s charge to identify manufacturers and distributors across Georgia that produce, distribute, or store critical health care supplies that are already limited in supply or may become scarce in the weeks ahead. GDEcD is also looking for facilities that can be repurposed for the production of these vital products. Businesses that are able to provide assistance and resources with either existing or adaptable production lines and facilities can [complete this form](https://www.gov/gdec) to learn more about the many Georgia companies that have already joined the fight against the pandemic by providing critical health care supplies.

Through the [University of Georgia’s Small Business Development Centers (SBDC)](https://www.uga.edu), in conjunction with the [Georgia Department of Economic Development (GDEcD)](https://www.gov/gdec) and [Department of Community Affairs (DCA)](https://www.gov/dca), the state has launched an information website to provide guidance on accessing a variety of U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) programs. Critical funding provided through SBA by the CARES Act is designed to help small businesses keep workers employed.

[Georgia Tech’s Georgia Manufacturing Extension Partnership (GaMEP)](https://www.gatech.edu) is working to help manufacturers manage during the COVID-19 outbreak through virtual meetings, one-on-one technical assistance, and webinars. The Georgia Tech Safety and Health Team is working with manufacturers to create and implement an Infectious Disease Preparedness and Response Plan. [Click here](https://www.gatech.edu) to learn more.

The [Metro Atlanta Chamber](https://www.metroatlantic.org) has developed a list of resources for informing reopening strategies. [Click here](https://www.metroatlantic.org) to view the list of reopening resources. [Click here](https://www.metroatlantic.org) to view other COVID-19 resources.

The [City of Atlanta](https://www.atlanta.gov) has created the #ATLSTRONG FUND, a donation campaign led by the Mayor’s Office in partnership with [United Way of Greater Atlanta](https://www.atlanta.uchw.org) to support City of Atlanta residents experiencing economic hardships and health-related issues caused by COVID-19. [Click here](https://www.atlanta.uchw.org) for more information.

The [Greater Atlanta COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund](https://www.atlanta.uchw.org) raised significant support from more than 150 generous individuals, donors, corporations, and foundations. The fund was created to provide immediate support to those most vulnerable to the economic and health-related issues caused by the novel coronavirus pandemic. It will help with emergency assistance, health services, and additional critical needs such as childcare and food. The fund provides general operating support grants to community based organizations. While the fund is not receiving applications at this time, the next round of funding is anticipated in August 2020. [Click here](https://www.atlanta.uchw.org) and [here](https://www.atlanta.uchw.org) to see grants made and other information on the fund. [Click here](https://www.atlanta.uchw.org) to give.

Several state organizations have made significant changes to their operations to prevent the spread of COVID-19 while still serving their constituencies. For an update on [State Services in Georgia](https://www.gov/gdec), [click here](https://www.gov/gdec).
Funding Portals

**Candid** maintains a webpage on funding opportunities to assist individuals and small businesses facing hardships as a result of COVID-19. The site links to more than 700 funders supporting coronavirus response efforts. [Click here](#) to access.

The **Center for the Advancement of Social Entrepreneurship (CASE)** at Duke University’s Fuqua School of Business has produced **Covidcap.com**, an online comprehensive, searchable database of grants, loans, and other equivalents to help entrepreneurs, nonprofits, and businesses anywhere in the world. A crowdsourced site intended as a public service, the site is updated daily. [Click here](#) to access.

**Help Main Street!** Is an online portal to help more than 120,000 businesses in all 50 states by ordering online, buying gift cards, or donating directly to provide critical cash support during the COVID-19 crisis. [Click here](#) to access.

**Spotlight on Federal Efforts**

The **U.S. Department of Labor** maintains a COVID-19 webpage through the **Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)** that provides infection prevention information specifically for employers and workers. [Click here](#) to learn more.

The **U.S. Department of Education** maintains a COVID-19 webpage designed to equip states, communities, educators, and families with resources and flexibilities that empower students of all ages to continue pursuing their education goals. [Click here](#) to learn more.

The **U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)** continues to provide guidance for businesses and employers on a variety of topics relating to reopening and recovery. [Click here](#) to learn more.

The **U.S. Department of Treasury** provides a review of how the CARES Act is providing economic assistance for American workers and families, small businesses, and preserves jobs for American industries. [Click here](#) to learn more.

The **U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)** maintains a webpage on actions it has taken to respond to COVID-19. Specifically, **USDA Rural Development** has taken a number of immediate actions to help rural residents, businesses, and communities affected by the COVID-19 outbreak. [Click here](#) to learn more.

The **U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA)** is now accepting applications for EDA CARES Act Recovery Assistance. EDA CARES Act Recovery Assistance, which is being administered under the authority of the bureau’s flexible Economic Adjustment Assistance (EAA) (PDF) program, provides a wide-range of financial assistance to communities and regions as they respond to and recover from the impacts of the pandemic. [Click here](#) to learn more.
The WorkforceGPS Disability and Employment Community has compiled a list of federal resources to support the disabled segment of the American population during COVID-19. Click here to learn more.

FEMA, the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, and federal partners are working with state, local, tribal, and territorial governments to execute a whole-of-America response to the COVID-19 pandemic to protect the health and safety of the American people. Click here to learn more.

Resource Pages

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Georgia Department of Public Health remain the primary sources for accurate and up-to-date information regarding the latest on the coronavirus. The Georgia Department of Education, the Georgia Department of Human Services, the Georgia Department of Labor, the Technical College System of Georgia, and the University System of Georgia each have posted information for accessing important services through their areas of purview. In addition, a number of organizations serving workforce partners have created resource pages to aid in response and recovery. Following are some examples with direct links to their COVID-19 resource pages.

Local
- Atlanta Regional Commission
- Association County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG)
- City of Atlanta
- Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta
- Georgia Budget and Policy Institute (GBPI)
- Georgia Center for Nonprofits
- Georgia Chamber
- Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA)
- Georgia Department of Economic Development
- Georgia Municipal Association (GMA)
- Georgia Power
- Georgia Social Impact Collaborative
- Georgia Vocational Rehabilitation Agency (GVRA)
- Georgia Tech’s Georgia Manufacturing Extension Partnership (GaMEP)
- Invest Atlanta
- Metro Atlanta Chamber
- Technology Association of Georgia (TAG)
- United Way of Greater Atlanta
- University of Georgia’s Carl Vinson Institute of Government (CVIOG)
- University of Georgia’s Small Business Development Centers (SBDC)

National
- Council of Development Finance Agencies (CDFA)
- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
• International City/County Management Association (ICMA)
• International Economic Development Council (IEDC)
• National Association of Counties (NACo)
• National Association of Development Organizations (NADO)
• National Association of Workforce Boards (NAWB)
• National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL)
• National Council of Nonprofits
• National Federation of Independent Business
• National Governors Association (NGA)
• National League of Cities (NLC)
• National Skills Coalition
• Restore Your Economy
• U.S. Chamber of Commerce
• U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA)
• U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)
• U.S. Department of Education
• U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS)
• U.S. Department of Labor (USDOL)
• U.S. Department of Labor, Employment & Training Administration (ETA)
• U.S. Department of Treasury
• U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)

MAX JOB BOARD

The MAX Job Board serves as a centralized place to post job opportunities for workforce developers in the Atlanta region. Click here to access recent postings on the MAX Job Board. If you have a job opportunity to share, please send to office@metroatlantaexchange.org.

For more information on MAX, visit www.metroatlantaexchange.org.

Connect with providers, intermediaries, and other workforce partners through the MAX Provider Portal. If your organization is not already represented in the portal, click here to join the portal.

*If you have any updates to share in the next distribution of MAX Mondays, please submit your information to office@metroatlantaexchange.org by close of business on Thursday.*

The Metro Atlanta eXchange for Workforce Solutions (MAX) exists to advance economic competitiveness in the Atlanta region by strengthening connections, collaborations, and practices among workforce developers and organizations engaged in workforce development. MAX serves as a catalyst for empowering and aligning workforce development partners to meet the needs that employers have for a ready workforce. If you no longer wish to receive our emails, please let us know with a message to “unsubscribe.”

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