

SOUTHEAST WISCONSIN RE-ENTRY EMPLOYMENT EXPO

“Working with Our Neighbors”

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Racine Vocational Ministry, Inc.



Kenosha Unity
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The members of the employment expo planning committee welcome you to this networking event. The session will provide you with information on a variety of Reentry topics, and we hope that it also will provide you with an opportunity to discuss issues of common interest with others involved in Reentry efforts in Southeast Wisconsin.



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Service Learning at Gateway Technical College creates mutually beneficial partnerships among students, faculty, staff, and our community. Through active -learning, meaningful service, and reflection, students develop deeper awareness of the diverse communities in which they live and the value of civic engagement among community members. Our audience can be served a number of different ways, from degree seeking individuals, customized training, and workshops to short term training. We offer a number of different course to meet student's needs.



My Father's House
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A non-profit agency established in 1999 that serves over 1700 people annually. MFH is part of a statewide fatherhood initiative that works with mostly non-custodial parents providing the following services: Fatherhood classes, parenting classes, personal needs assessments, healthy relationship classes, anger management classes and employment search assistance.

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To engage the underserved community in Racine to offer job training as well as high wage/family-sustaining employment. Underserved, unemployed, underemployed of Racine.



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ResCare works so that America can too.

ResCare Workforce Services is the nation's most comprehensive provider of services and solutions designed to help put people to work. With more than 350 RWS managed operations throughout the U.S., our team of more than 2,000 workforce professionals use the industry's best practices to assist approximately 1million job seekers and thousands of employers annually. RWS footprint in SE Wisconsin covers the seven-county M7 region and includes 200 staff and subcontractors working from more than 15 core and satellite offices. ResCare links job seekers to your employment opportunities. Our program motivates and prepares job seekers to be job- ready. We can assist employers by providing job-specific training to job seekers and work with employers of every size in building a labor pipeline.



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Job Corps is the nation's largest career and technical training program for youth 16-24 years old. Job Corps assists 16-24 year olds with obtaining their education, certification in specific trades, driver's license and job placement

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Advance Veterans into the workforce through targeted business engagement and effective employment services. The organization provides career planning/intensive services and skill matching to businesses for veteran seeking employment.



Children First SHARP
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Children First SHARP is an employment and training program that encompasses multiple supportive services into a one-stop approach. These services are designed to remove barriers to child support payment and promote engagement of noncustodial parents. Guided by principles of Supporting Parents, Holistic Case Management, Access to Employment, Reaching Goals, and Positive Parenting, the program aims to reach and engage as many parents as possible while providing quality programming and tailored, relevant services. Through intensive, trauma-informed case management, staff work with participants to develop a plan to move the parent to self-sufficiency. Services include job search, resume building, work support, and participation in a weekly Children First Job Club that facilitates networking and peer support.



Windows to Work
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Windows to Work is a pre- and post-release program designed to address criminogenic needs that can lead to recidivism. WIDOC contracts with each of Wisconsin's eleven Workforce Development Boards (WDB) to provide, or subcontract to provide, a Windows to Work program at selected state correctional institutions or county jail facilities in each workforce development area.



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WRTP/BIGSTEP is an authorized provider of MMSD Target Area Worker Certification, City of Milwaukee Residential. Preference Program (RPP) certification, as well as Communities in Need (COIN) certification for Milwaukee Public Schools Projects.

Our mission is to enhance the ability of the public and private institutions to develop a more diverse, qualified workforce in construction, manufacturing and emerging sectors of the regional economy. By being industry led, worker centered, and community focused, WRTP/BIG STEP helps under-employed, under-served, and under-represented individuals succeed in well-paying careers while exceeding industry workforce needs.



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YWCA Southeast Wisconsin is on a mission to eliminate racism, empower women, stand up for social justice, support families, and strengthen communities. The organization is a member of the national YWCA movement, one of the oldest and largest women's organizations in the nation, serving over 2 million women, girls, and their families each year. Since opening its doors in Southeast Wisconsin in 1892, YWCA has been dedicated to helping underserved families gain economic stability. From its Racine and Milwaukee locations, the organization serves more than 10,000 individuals each year through comprehensive programs and services such as adult education (GED and HSED), personal financial management, racial justice training, and job preparation and image guidance. YWCA has extensive experience serving individuals from a variety of racial and cultural backgrounds and with a variety of needs, including those with compromised work history, educational deficits, disabling conditions, and limited access to life beyond poverty. To fulfill its mission, YWCA combines racial justice education with economic empowerment programs to create a more just and equitable community for everyone.



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Goodwill Industries of Southeastern Wisconsin, Inc. is the largest of more than 162 Goodwill organizations in the world and has been providing services since 1919. Our mission is to provide training, employment and supportive services for people with disabilities or disadvantages who seek greater independence. Employment and training are Goodwill's primary focus, assisting men and women to develop their job skills and secure work opportunities that fulfill their personal and professional goals. As the economy struggles, the need for our services continues to grow.

Goodwill carries out its mission by providing a variety of training programs and employment services for people with disabilities and disadvantages. Support and resources for the chronically unemployed, dislocated workers and other job seekers. Staffing, contract to hire, direct placement and recruiting services for area employers.



UMOS-Milwaukee Job Center Southeast
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The TMJ and TJ programs is an employment program that offers unemployed residents immediate work. TMJ and TJ is funded by the Wisconsin Department of Children and Families. The purpose of the TMJ and TJ programs to enhance employment opportunities for people who have difficulty entering and succeeding in work. The TMJ and TJ program employment strategy helps individuals overcome employment barriers and transition into work using wage - paid, short term employment that combines real work, skills training, education and supportive services. The TMJ and TJ program also offers job coaching, employability planning, life skills development and limited vocational training, as well as job search assistance.

TMJ and TJ promotes self-sufficiency by providing time-limited, wage-based jobs in public, nonprofit or for-profit settings. The goal is to help these residents gain a foothold in the labor market with jobs that are available in the public and private sector. TMJ and TJ's combination of training, work experience, case management, and supportive services will produce positive results for the Milwaukee and Racine County job seekers and the employers who "hire" program participants.

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Kenosha Correctional Center is work release. The purpose of the Work Release Program is to successfully reintegrate inmates into society by helping them develop job skills, positive work ethics and self-sufficiency skills. While on work release, inmates pay room, board and transportation charges. The offenders also pay child support, restitution and other court obligations while they are on work release. Kenosha Correctional Center (KCC) works with a variety of employers offering employees in skilled and unskilled work, including but not limited to factory, line and assembly, fabrication, CNC, sanitation, food service, mechanics, maintenance, and tree nursery. KCC offers the employer a pool of reliable possible employees, available to work any shift, week and weekend work, the ability to interview potential employees, bag lunch for employee and transportation to and from work. Employers who hire inmates from our Work Release Program are eligible for the Work Opportunity Tax Credit



FIRST CHOICE PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM

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First Choice is a 6 week program focusing on Tools for Success as a prerequisite for construction concepts, road building and safety. In the Tools for Success curriculum emphasis is placed within the curriculum personal growth and development assets. Our experience is that employers value a candidate who brings time, stress, anger management and other employability skills to them while the prospective employer provides other skills in the building trades for successful careers

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DVR's mission is to assist people with disabilities in finding a job, keeping their current job, or finding a better job. Transition Students ages 14-22 and Adults with disabilities who are seeking employment. Just like disabilities our services are very individualized. Just a few of the things DVR can assist with are searching for work, training for work, paid internships, and assistive technology needed for employment.

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To move Wisconsin forward by providing training and job opportunities within the state and provide a qualified workforce to employers. Services are provided to persons who meet certain guidelines based on their barriers to employers for training but all individuals who are seeking employment are welcome to use the state website jobcenterofwisconsin.com to look for work.



Racine Vocational Ministry, Inc.

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Racine Vocational Ministry was established in 2002 to assist the unemployed in returning to work. While focusing on essential life skills, RVM has successfully placed over 3,950 individuals in jobs, education and career advancing opportunities. Over 300 RVM workers have been promoted or moved ahead into their chosen field. In 2005, RVM was a founding partner in forming the Community Re-Entry Program, a nationally recognized program presented as a best practice to the International Association of Chiefs of Police at their 2007 National Convention. RVM now has 13 years of experience working with underserved populations and has gained a national reputation for excellence in helping to transform the lives of prison re-entrants.



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Breakthrough Ministry is a non-denominational organization. We seek to help out men who may have trouble with drug addiction, alcoholism or are coming out from jail. Our mission in our program is to work with the men teaching them about the word of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Our vision at the end of this program is to have all our men be productive citizens and be able to head on the right track working towards a career following every step through faith.



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WCS Workforce Development Department is comprised of WCS adult employment and training services and the Center for Driver's License Recovery and Employability (CDLRE).

Employment and Training Services

WCS Employment and Training Services include: Employment Readiness class, Makin' It Work, a cognitive intervention curriculum designed for employability, job development and placement services, job retention, transportation assistance, and case management. WCS also provides Workforce Investment Act (WIA) services for eligible adult job seekers enrolled into the general employment services program.

Center for Driver's License Recovery and Employability (CDLRE)

The CDLRE assists low-income individuals who have a suspended or revoked Wisconsin driver's license through legal representation and case management services. Legal services include helping identify alternatives to financial obligations in court such as affordable payment plans or supervised community service. It also includes assistance with administrative Department of Transportation (DOT) suspensions, issues concerning correction of records, and negotiations for payment plans with private insurance companies. Case management provides the necessary program arrangements and support to help ensure program completion.

Community Corrections Employment Program (CCEP)

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The Community Corrections Employment Program (CCEP) is a statewide program designed to assist offenders in obtaining the skills necessary to obtain and maintain employment in a competitive work environment. CCEP has three main components; work experience, on-the-job training, and educational and training assistance. Participants are assessed and placed into services based on their level of skill and work readiness. CCEP Coordinators work closely with employers and other community agencies to provide employment opportunities and additional employment related assistance as needed. CCEP Services adult men and women that are being released from prison or are otherwise on Community Supervision (Probation/Parole).



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Kenosha Human Development Services (KHDS) works to help all people in the community lead healthy, productive lives. We are a nonprofit agency that seeks to ensure that all people especially those with the fewest resources have access to the opportunities and support they need to succeed in life. Our vocational support services are available to participants in both our Community Support Program (CSP) and our Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) program. These programs are recovery oriented, strength-based programs for those with mental health or substance abuse needs. Our employment specialist works with participants, both individually and in groups, on work readiness skills and implementation.



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Protect the public, our staff, and those in our charge. Provide opportunities for positive change and success. Promote, inform, and educate others about our programs and successes. Partner and collaborate with community service providers and other criminal justice entities. We offer opportunities for offenders to become productive members of their communities.



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KAC's mission is create opportunities for the personal growth and success of persons with special needs. KAC does this by removing barriers, changing perceptions and building confidence. Our vision is Creating Possibilities. Achieving Dreams. KAC's overall goal to enhance the quality of life for people with special needs by providing education, support and resources to help people achieve their goals. The Core Values that exemplify the work that the agency does include respect, integrity, safety and excellence.

KAC provides services to people with special needs. Services are provided in three major areas, Children services, Adult services and Transportation. Children services supports children, birth to age 5 through Early Intervention, Early Head Start, and SPROUTS Playgroups. Annually over 650 children and their families receive program services. Adult services include Summer Youth Employment Exploration, Voyage Day Program for Youth, Prevocational services, Community Employment, Adult Day Service program, and Aging and Disability Benefit Assistance.

Reentry Myth Busters
<https://csgjusticecenter.org/nrrc/projects/mythbusters/>