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Public Invited to Oct. 6 Job Fair at Crown Expo Center *100 Employers to Attend*

FAYETTEVILLE – Job seekers are invited to the “Fall Into Work” Job Fair on Oct. 6 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Crown Expo Center, 1960 Coliseum Drive.

Employers representing more than 100 businesses will be on hand to share information on job opportunities in the fields of business, professional, health care, customer service, education, food service, manufacturing, law enforcement, safety, government, childcare and others.

Job seekers should make every effort to be ready for the event. Come well dressed and be prepared to tell the employer in about 20 seconds why you would be an asset to his or her company if you become an employee. Update your resume and bring plenty of copies.

Several mini-workshops are scheduled concurrently alongside the fair. At 9:30 a.m. Fayetteville State University’s Educational Opportunity Center will present a session on how to obtain financial aid to attend any college or university, and the School of Education will provide information on meeting the requirements for teacher certification and licensure.

Fayetteville Technical Community College will provide information on interviewing techniques. The Fayetteville Area Society for Human Resource Management will also present sessions on interviewing techniques and dressing for success. The Fort Bragg Civilian Personnel Advisory Center will conduct the last session at 12:30 p.m. on creating an effective resume and procedures for entering it into the Federal Employment System.

The Cumberland County Workforce Development Center is the job fair’s sponsor. Community partners are the Cumberland County Department of Social Services Work First Program; Fayetteville Technical Community College; City of Fayetteville Community Development Department; Beasley Broadcast Group, Inc.; and the Fayetteville – Cumberland County Chamber of Commerce. Business sponsors are Hardee’s Restaurants and Fayetteville Public Works Commission.

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Last year's job fair attracted 97 business vendors and more than 4,500 job seekers. Even more job seekers are expected to attend this year.

If you need a ride to the job fair, a free van shuttle is available from B&W Transportation Company. Four 15- passenger vans will transport people beginning at 8 a.m. from the Employment Security Commission parking lot at 414 Ray Ave. and the DSS building's Hillsboro Street entrance beginning at 8 a.m. The shuttle will run at approximately 15-minute intervals. The final shuttle will depart the Expo Center at 3 p.m.

Questions concerning the job fair may be directed to Bill Kiser at 910-677-2177 or Robert Relyea at 910-677-2222.

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