

Minnesota WorkForce Center Hennepin South

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Main Phone: 952/346-4000 Resource Area Phone: 952/346-4028
Automated Directions to the Office: 952/346-4035

Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday Closed legal holidays



www.mnwfc.org/hennepinsouth

**Job
Search
Services
at:**

www.mnwfc.org/hennepinsouth

The Hennepin South WorkForce Center has its own web site featuring over 1,500 hyperlinks for Job Search, Career Information, Community Resources & other information.

Become a WorkForce Center member

Our secure Registration System identifies our most popular resources and classes to design targeted messages and services for you, our job seekers so we can better customize our services for you. You can use your existing MinnesotaWorks.net user

Unemployed?

Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Adult Program provides assistance (such as short-term training) for persons 18 years of age and older with a goal of a permanent job. The program is targeted toward low-income persons, but all are welcome to apply. **Call George at 952/346-4331** for information.

TWO day Creative Job Search Workshop Receiving Unemployment Insurance? If you need extra help on how to look for work effectively, Call Lee (952-346-4002) or Heather (952-346-4085) to sign up for next available workshop.

Veteran Services

All veterans: see or call Veterans' Representative **Doug Larson at 952/346-4014** for resources and services for you.

HTC Computer Training Center

Hennepin Technical College (2nd floor) offers self-paced, instructor guided computer applications training, both day and evening classes. For more information or schedules, call **Sheryl, Instructor, at 952/346-4319**.

Need help with?:

Resumes/Cover Letters: Take CJS here or a class at another WorkForce Center, ask about WINWAY in Resource Room, view our videos or books, or try susanireland.com

Computers and Internet: Apply for Dislocated Worker or WIA training programs, use our tutorials in Resource Room, try free tutorial, www.gcfllearnfree.org, if you have internet access and the software at home or at library.

See other WorkForce Centers' free computer / internet and job search workshops on right side under workshops and tutorials: www.mnwfc.org/hennepinsouth

MinnesotaWorks.net (MNW)

Register on the State's largest to data base to search for jobs or have employers find you. Features: online tutorial, spell check, and "job search agents" to automate your job search.

MNW can be accessed through the WorkForce Resource Area's 20 Dell computers, as well as through your home computer or your local library computer at

www.minnesotaworks.net

Job seekers can now upload up to 5 resumes or copy/paste directly into the database and rank and run job order matches to your email account, and apply on line for many jobs.

Registered employers, using text and advanced skill searches, can review and rank candidates for jobs, send online personalized messages, save resumes for 90 days for future openings, track candidates recruited, copy/edit job orders, & use automated matching.

Our job bank is SSL encrypted for security of your Social Security Number, passwords, and all transactions. Your SSN is only for our confidential unique ID purposes.

Attention Job Seekers! Employers are recruiting at WorkForce Center!

On a scheduled basis, employers come to the WorkForce Center to discuss job openings and to provide information about careers with their companies. For names, dates and times call 952/346-4028. Any questions on employer visits or other information regarding the services at this WorkForce Center, call **Tom Reese at 952/346-4330**.

Find area **Job Transition and Networking Groups** (Job Clubs) and **Transition, computer, internet, resume, and other workshops** at other metro WorkForce Centers on www.mnwfc.org/hennepinsouth.

6 Career Exploration programs

Using our computers, the library's, or your pc, you can access career tools to identify transferable skills through a self-scoring skill assessment and interest inventory. Match occupations to your work style preferences and level of education. Includes information on labor market, education, and financial aid.

Occupations Analyzer:

<http://www.deed.state.mn.us/lmi/tools/ota/OccupationSelectA.aspx>

America's Career InfoNet <http://www.acinet.org/>

Minnesota Career Information System

(MCIS). <<http://mncis.intocareers.org>> (user name: bloomington, password: mcis) - codes subject to change.

ISEEK: <http://www.iseek.org>.

Minnesota Careers: www.mncareers.org

Career One Stop: www.careeronestop.org

Vocational Rehabilitation

Rehabilitation Services (RS) is for individuals who have a physical and/or mental disability which makes it difficult to get or keep a job. RS services include vocational counseling, guidance and placement, as well as special services based on individual circumstance. **Info: 952/346-4050**

State Services for the Blind (SSB)

Designed to help blind and visually impaired persons to achieve employment, as well as personal and information access goals. Many persons served have additional disabilities. **Call SSB 651/642-0500**

Business Directories

In the Resource Area Library (located behind the Help Desk) are various directories to help you research companies. Corporate Report Fact Book, and Directories of Manufacturing and Service are available in hardcopy, which list every employer in the Twin Cities area, and are searchable by name, size, locale, and Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes as to services provided or products manufactured.



Job Search Workshops

The Minnesota WorkForce Center – Hennepin South offers a number of free workshops open to all to assist you in your job search. Current schedule is on the WorkForce Center's monthly *Workshops and Employer Recruiting Calendar* available here and on www.mnwfc.org/hennepinsouth/monthlycalendar.htm

We reserve the right to cancel workshops due to insufficient enrollment. To insure admission, please check in at Help Desk 10-15 minutes early. Call 952/346-4028 to register, cancel or reschedule any of the following workshops:

Creative Job Search (CJS)

Overview of job search topics:

- ❖ Skills identification
- ❖ Resumes & cover letters
- ❖ Networking/Interviewing
- ❖ Transition
- ❖ Cold calling

4 hour workshop

Create a Winning Resume

Two hour class-monthly-on resume basics. Learn how to improve/customize your resume in a group setting and get your questions answered. Should take CJS first or know your skills. Bring your resume.

More resume resources:

1. Christ Presbyterian Church/Edina – free 1-1 help [Mpls. Job Support Workshop](mailto:stan@stanbrown.us) stan@stanbrown.us
2. WinWay Resume Builder or Videos, Books, or Handouts in Resource Room
3. Resource Room books/dvds/handouts

New Classes

One on One Mock Interviewing

15 minute practice sessions for those who have taken Basic or Behavioral interviewing, Nancy Buysse, HIRED

It's Not Working; Now What? Rethink your job search strategy. An innovative class to help you identify your value to the employer and evaluate / develop your action plan.

Basic Twitter: a demonstration on the whats/whys/how's of "tweeting" for effective job search.

Social Media Job Search

Using the Internet to help employers find you. Next to networking, this is employers' most used candidate recruitment system. Are you using these methods effectively?

Dressing for Success for Men and Women

3rd Tuesday of alternate months 2:00--3:30 pm
How to dress for an interview and the workplace and
Tips for finding affordable clothing
Co-sponsored by Hennepin South Rehabilitation Services

Basic Interviewing

If you are not getting **first** interviews- covers preparation, questions, closing, follow up, criteria for evaluating offers, and different kinds of interviews. Tom Reese, facilitator

Behavioral Interviewing

Two hour/once a month class with focus on your past behavior (accomplishment stories) so employers can predict how you will perform for them Lenore Rockler, HIRED

www.Minnesotaworks.net

* register on the site prior to class & bring flash drive
* copy/paste, upload-, or build resume,
* search for jobs and tips for a better resume
Facilitator: Mike Schaitberger

Career Exploration: Opportunities and Options

.What are your skills/values/interests and possible jobs you are suited for and decision making styles and how to make a plan. Bev Thronson, facilitator
Funded by Normandale Community College "stimulus"

Salary Negotiation: Getting to Win-Win

Facilitator: Jay Dregni: EAC "Over 40 workshop" co-facilitator & former Compensation/Benefits Manager

Computer Basics

Create/save a document, cut/copy/paste& format text, spell check, print. Requires keyboard and mouse skills. Mary Gerber, (Rehab Services) and Pat Thiewes

Examples of books and/or videos in Resource Room: Interviewing, Salary Negotiation, Resumes and Cover Letters, Career Change, On Line Job Search, Career Portfolios, and Age Issues, etc.

RESOURCE AREA:

20 computers (bring your own flash drive) and 4 laser printers are available for Internet job search, word processing of resumes (including WinWay resume template), Mavis Beacon typing tutor (also in Spanish), and career exploration programs Also available are 3 phones, a FAX machine, a photocopier and a video and reference library, which includes business directories and job search books. Larry, Pat, Mary, Kate, Karen, Elita and other staff in our Resource Room can answer your job search questions and help you identify other community resources.

For the visually and hearing impaired, the latest access technology is provided: UbiDuo, Pocket Talker II, TV/VCR with closed caption, Optelek, Zoomtext Extra v. 6.12 level 2, JAWS, and cassette Narrator, NexTalk, and interpreter by appointment.

Self Employment Resources

If you are receiving Unemployment Insurance, you must primarily be looking for an employer-employee job

Self Employment-Is it for you? Workshop at Hennepin South (check monthly calendar on mnwfc.org/hennepinsouth or in Resource Room)

Starting a Business in Minnesota

MN Small Business Office/DEED
To request a copy: 651-556-8425 (or google it)

Selected Web sites

www.bizplans.com (sample business plans)
<http://www.score.org> www.entrepreneur.com
www.sba.gov www.iseek.org
www.irs.ustreas.gov
www.myownbusiness.com (free online course)
www.aahbb.org (home based businesses)

EAC workshops

****OPEN TO ALL****

Dates and topics will be in monthly calendar and on www.mnwfc.org/hennepinsouth

"Successful Job Search over 40, 50, 60"

"Applying for Jobs on-line" (email etc.)

Must have basic pc and internet skills
"Advanced Internet Job Search Techniques" (includes "scannable resumes" and e-resumes).
Must have basic pc and internet skills

Call Help Desk 952-346-4028
For dates, info, or to register.

See separate flyers in Resource Room or on www.mnwfc.org/hennepinsouth



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