

Metro Area Job Transition & Networking Groups

These groups/meetings, open to the public, (not all inclusive) offer guest speakers and group discussions on job search, and opportunities to network for job leads and to gain support from other job seekers. Call first to confirm times and locations or check web sites (usually calendars or search home page for "employment programs", "career programs", "transition" or "support groups"). Some may not meet during the summer (or less frequently) and some may request \$3-5 donations for space, web sites, and hot lines, etc. or charge only for dinner/speakers. Specialized groups are **bolded**. For updated list see www.mnwfc.org/hennepinsouth. Please notify Laurie Trach of changes at 952-346-4010 or laurie.trach@state.mn.us (rev 10-16-09)

Group	Address	Day/Time	Information
AITP (Association of Information Technology Professionals)	Check web site www.nwaitp.org/	Membership fee & day/time: check web site	www.nwaitp.org/ Info@nwaitp.org
Basilica of St. Mary jgrove@mary.org	17 th & Hennepin Avenue, Mpls. Janet 612-317-3508 Employment Ministry www.mary.org/life/employment/index.html	monthly workshops & 1-1 coaching (free) day varies	Janet Grove 612-317-3508
Big Net (New-St. Paul locations) Monthly Seminars & Best Practices	651-228-1172 TheBigNetSTJ@gmail.com	Email/call for various days/times/locations	Claire Eckley
Change Your Stripes http://www.changeyourstripes.net/community (free online community)	http://www.changeyourstripes.net/forum or for free resume info, register on www.changeyourstripes.net	Free online community and forum	Catherine Breet-Byers 612-508-2017
Christ Presbyterian Church ➤ Minneapolis Job Support Workshop for Managers, Professionals and others (70 th & Hwy 100) usually Room 107 but check signs or website for changes ----- ➤ Womens' group 2 nd Thursday 6:30 pm 1 st floor parlor ----- ➤ Christ in Career Support Group	6901 Normandale Road Edina Also ongoing 1-1 resume, interviewing, networking help Stan Brown at 952-943-0718 stan@stanbrown.us for 1-1 ----- www.mjsw.org ----- mainly spirituality \$3 optional	Tuesdays 6:30 pm www.mjsw.org hot line: 952-826-7011 free or tax deductible donation (before or after you find a new job) ----- M.E.G. Roy and guest speakers Roy.meg@gmail.com ----- 1 st & 3 rd Sat. 8:30-10 AM	Chuck Guerin (cell) 612 -720-6532 or John.Wetzel@right.com \$3.00 suggested donation ----- \$3.00 suggested donation ----- Dennis 952-929-7595
Colonial Church	See St. Andrews for address	Mon. 7-9 pm	952-925-2711
Eden Prairie Assembly of God Church	16591 Duck Lake Trail	2 nd & 4 th Thursday 9-10:30 am	ron@conroyconsult.com
Employment Action Center ~ Womens' Programs www.eac.mn.org/womenprog.shtml	www.eac-mn.org metro area including Bloomington, St. Louis Park, Minneapolis, and St. Paul	Seminars on career exploration, job search strategies, and coaching	Dina 612 -752-8444 dstender@resource-mn.org Call for locations, days, and appts
Face2Face Job Search Networking \$5 registration \$0-\$5/per meeting	Unitarian Universalist Church of Mtka. 605 Rice St. Wayzata	First and third Thursday of each month 9 am-12 noon	www.face2.net (email via web) Joanne Meehl
FENG Financial Executives www.thefeng.org	See chapters/meeting announcements & web for contact info www.thefeng.org	richards_mj@msn.com Contact for mbasp info	Must be sponsored
Grace Church www.ccnatgrace.com/ www.crossroadscareer.org Password: grace-ce	9301 Eden Prairie Road Eden Prairie Rm M 209 door 4	1 st Thurs. 7:30-9:30 am david_sparkman@uhc.com	ccnatgrace@gmail.com 952-926-1884 Occasional mock interviews
Health Care Professionals	MN WFC Hennepin South (Blmgtm) 4220 West Old Shakopee Rd	Usually 1 st & 3 rd Tues 9:30-11:30 am (first 35)	Susan Speetzen Help Desk 952-346-4028
Holy Name of Jesus Church www.hnoj.org/jobNetwork.html	155 County Road 24 Emmaus Rm Wayzata/Medina	1 st Thursday 7-9 pm wcorrig@comcast.net	Cheryl Alexander Stearns 763-416-4570
Jewish Vocational Service (JVS) Job Transition and Support Group	Suite 300 13100 Wayzata Blvd. Minnetonka www.jvsmn.org/	2 nd & 4 th Tuesdays 10-11:30 am jvs@jvsmn.org	Leah Temkin 952-417-2108 or Janet Flam 952-417-2112
Minneapolis Toastmasters (focuses on job skills) Hopkins/Minnetonka	Hopkins/Mtka 915 Main St. Hopkins Family Resource Center Hopkins	Every Thursday at 6:45 pm www.d6tm.org	David Altowitz 952-484-9592 or daltowitz@comcast.net
Minnesota Technical Recruiters Network http://www.mntrn.org/	Fee or \$20/time (first one free) location and time can vary	Usually every 3 rd Tues. every other month See http://www.mntrn.org/	Rick (952) 473-0022 rick@recruitersofmn.com or kelly@recruitersofmn.com
Minnesota WorkForce Center – Blaine http://www.mnwfc.org/anoka/	1201 89 th Avenue NE #235 Blaine	Monday mornings 9:30 – 11 am	763-783-4800
Minnesota WorkForce Center – Hennepin North- Brooklyn Park	7115 Northland Terrace #100 Brooklyn Park	Wed. 1:30-3:30 pm <u>New day/time eff. 10/09</u> *Veterans Only on Fridays 9-11 am*	763-536-6000 ----- Mark Mann 763-536-6000
Minnesota WorkForce Center Hennepin South -Bloomington	4220 West Old Shakopee Road #100 Bloomington	First and Third Friday 9:30-11:30 limited to first 35 who show up	952-346-4028 www.mnwfc.org/hennepinsouth
Minnesota WorkForce Center – Dakota Co. www.mnwfc.org/dakota	1 Mendota Road West West St. Paul 2900 County Rd 42 W Burnsville	Monday 1:30 – 3:30 pm Wednesday 9:00-11:00 am	Darlene Dahl 952-895-7658 Mike Lang 952-895-7641
Minnesota WorkForce Center – North St. Paul (McKnight 36 Plaza)	2098 East 11 th Avenue North St. Paul http://www.mnwfc.org/ramseycounty/	Thurs. 1-2:30 pm	651-779-5666

Minnesota WorkForce Center Scott and Carver Counties	752 Canterbury Road S. Shakopee http://www.mnwfc.org/scottcounty	2 nd & 4 th Wed. 1:30-3:30	Curt Sammann 952-403-7992 or Help Desk at 952-403-7990
Oak Grove Presbyterian Church Sales/Marketing Professionals info@smpnet.org	Oak Grove Presbyterian Church 2200 Old Shakopee Road (Shakopee & Penn) Bloomington www.SMPnet.org	Every other Sat. 9-12 Noon check web site calendar: http://www.oakgrv.org/	George Burr gburr@localmarketmedia.com 612-669-0455 1st mtg free Non-members \$5-10/meeting
Prince of Peace Christian Life Center (merged with Shepherd of the Valley) www.sotv.org ("the Door")	13901 Fairview Drive Burnsville (park on upper level) www.princeofpeaceonline.org	Tuesdays 2 nd floor 6:30 – 8:30 pm	952-898-9388 Hotline info@princeofpeace online.org Bob Callahan
Project Management (PMI-MN) Career Networking Minnesota Chapter	Hotel Hilton on American Boulevard, Bloomington by Airport and MOA 3800 American Blvd. East www.pmi-mn.org	3 rd Monday of most months 4:30 pm Check web site to verify meetings	\$ mbsp & dinner No charge for networking 651-917-6246 administrator@pmi-mn.org
River Valley Church www.rivervalleychurch.org	14898 Energy Way Apple Valley Suite #1000	2 nd & 4 th Mon. 7 pm	952-997-2222
Quality Career Services (no email) www.qualitycareerservices.org	2515 Wabash Ave. St. Paul Suite LL1	Mondays 10-11:30 am e-mail direct from web site	651-647-9322 Mary or Gary
St. Andrew Lutheran Church http://www.standrewlu.org	13600 Technology Drive Eden Prairie www.standrewlu.org/jobtransition.shtml info@standrewlu.org	Wednesdays 11:30 am - 1:00 pm and free job change classes Wed. 8:20 - 11:20	No phone calls-use web site check web for dates
Information Technology Networkers	itgroup_minnesota@yahoo.com	Wednesdays 10-11:15 am	John Schorer
St. Hubert Job Support Group http://www.sthubert.org/	St. Hubert Catholic Community 8201 Main Street, Chanhassen George_davisson@yahoo.com	2 nd & 4 th Tues. (mostly one-on-one assistance) 7 -9 pm room #222 lounge	George Davisson 952-443-0010
St. Stephen's Episcopal Church www.ststephens.com/jobsupport	4439 W. 50 th St, Edina jobsupport@ststephens.com	Every Sat. 8:30-9:30 am library (50th & Wooddale)	952-920-0595 church or Len at 952-929-2699
Sales & Marketing Group Sams Net	Anyone in sales or marketing in transition. Non-members can attend one time	By invitation only: Contact M. Shane Smith	M. Shane Smith mshanesmith@q.com
Self employment http://www.newstartupmeetup.com www.careerrediscovery.com		Free; meetings rotate - - - - - Edina days/time vary	- - - - - \$5.00 donation requested
7degree Creative for Creative Pros	5224 Minnetonka Blvd. St. Georges St. Louis Park	www.7degreecreative.org Fri. 11-1	info@7degreecreative.org
Shift www.shiftonline.org Mentoring/networking	Loring Park Dunn Bros. Coffee 329 W 15 th St. Mpls.	(Mon. nights 7 pm) Check web site first	www.shiftonline.org David Buck
Smile 'N Dial IT Subgroup philbrooks@comcast.net	Pentagon Park (Edina) conf. room 4620 West 77 th St. lower level	1 st Tues. of each month 7-9 am	Phillip Brooks 651-470-1257
Smiling and Dialing http://www.smilinganddialing.org	Main group (execs) by invitation. Entrepreneurs (does not meet on a regular basis) IT & Supply Chain & Quality	For more info SmilingDialing@aol.com	SmilingDialing@aol.com
SOAR for Jobs Shoreview http://www.soar4jobs.org/mambo/	St. Odilia's Catholic Church 3495 Victoria Street North	2 nd & 4 th Monday 7 – 9 pm Bring item for food shelf	651-415-3327 Linda
Starbucks for Senior Sales and Marketing by sponsorship http://finance.groups.yahoo.com/group/starbucksnetwork/			
Twin Cities Men's Center, Mpls. www.tcmc.org	3249 Hennepin Ave South #55 Minneapolis	Mon. @ 12:30, Thurs. @ 7:30 pm tcmc@tcmc.org	612-822-5892 Randy
Veterans' Center www.vetcenter.va.gov	550 County Road D Suite 10 New Brighton	1-1 counseling for veterans	651-644-4022 andrew.huff@va.gov
Wayzata Evangelical Free Church www.wayzatafree.org	705 County Rd. 101 N. Plymouth	1 st Tues./month 6:45-8:45 pm deggum@comcast.net	David 763-553-7892 Terri Jo 612-518-1611
Westminster Presbyterian Church http://www.ewestminster.org/	1200 Marquette Ave. Minneapolis	Check web for frequency and dates	612-332-3421 church office/Sharon
Westwood Job Transition Group 3121 Westwood Drive, Chanhassen	Westwood Community Church Room #116 Chanhassen	1 st & 3 rd Monday 5:30-7 PM	Matt Beck 952-457-8866 matthewpbeck@yahoo.com
WomenVenture (women) www.womenventure.com/career.cfm?ID=17	2324 University Avenue West St. Paul www.womenventure.org	1 st & 3 rd Tues. 9-11:00 am See web	651-646-3808 services@womenventure.org
Woodbury Lutheran Church Fireside Room http://www.woodburylutheran.org/ click on ministries then Career Transition Connection	7380 Afton Road Woodbury http://www.woodburylutheran.org/	2 nd & 4 th Thursday 7-8:30 pm	Use website for email contacts
Wooddale Church www.jobtransition.net	6630 Shady Oak Road, Eden Prairie jtsg@wooddale.org	Meets every Monday morning at 7:15 am	952-656-1075 952-944-6300