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## **CSCF CONTINUES TO DEVELOP TALENT FOR BUSINESS DURING US CONFERENCE OF MAYORS' WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT WEEK**

**Orlando, FL** – The week of April 25 – April 29 is "Workforce Development Week," a campaign of the US Conference of Mayors' Workforce Committee to raise awareness of the talent and training resources regional workforce boards like CareerSource Central Florida (CSCF) bring to their regions. As a member of the US Conference of Mayors, Orlando is participating through CareerSource Central Florida, one of 24 regional workforce boards that comprise the CareerSource Florida network, and the regional workforce board that serves the businesses and career seekers of Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, and Sumter Counties.

The campaign showcases countless initiatives in cities and localities that convene industry, education, training, labor, community organizations, economic development and other agencies to strengthen local businesses through local talent development. Through these invaluable partnerships, workforce boards across the nation create economic opportunity and affect economic vitality by promoting training, education, and jobs creation.

"Business-led local workforce boards lead the system through strategic partnerships with industry, education, community organizations, and labor, resulting in greater effectiveness and efficiency in serving businesses and career seekers in our communities," said Mimi Coenen, CareerSource Central Florida Chief Operating Officer.

Here in Central Florida, CSCF operates six full-time Career Services Centers throughout the region, as well as two Mobil Career Services Centers, which bring services to businesses, community events and areas with limited access to the permanent centers. Partnerships with the region's school districts and colleges allow CSCF to have part-time staff located on several campuses in the region, as well.

Services include, but are not limited to, recruitment, including pre-screening of candidates, posting jobs in the state-wide jobs database, and hosting hiring events; employee training; on-the-job training; internships; employed worker training; continuing education assistance; GED training; youth programs; and career counseling, including resume writing and interviewing techniques, among others.

"Our efforts and all of our services have always been designed to most effectively meet the needs of career seekers and businesses," said Pamela Nabors, CareerSource Central Florida President/CEO. "With recent changes in workforce development legislation, and a rededication to relationship-building throughout our region, CareerSource Central Florida is focusing first on meeting the needs of businesses. Through our many partnerships, we are better positioned to be the backbone of talent development, and to provide the tailored services our business and career seeking customers warrant."

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*CareerSource Central Florida provides tools to businesses and career seekers in Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Sumter counties to advance their professional standing. On average, we assist 1,300 businesses each month with job posting and recruitment, retention and training. We also provide nearly 8,800 job seekers each month with services including career counseling, recruitment events, training, financial aid, and internships. For more information, visit [www.CareerSourceCentralFlorida.com](http://www.CareerSourceCentralFlorida.com).*

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