



Summary of Legislative VJF Event

CONGRESSMAN BRAD SCHNEIDER
AND SENATOR MELINDA BUSH

Summary of Events

Virtual Job Fair events were held the week of 8/24/20 – 8/28/20. Congressman Brad Schneider and Senator Melinda Bush hosted and moderated each panel.

During these panels, employers explained their open positions and company benefits. Attendees asked questions in the chat which were then provided to the Congressman and Senator for the Q&A session. After the Q&A, the American Job Center in Lake County provided a brief overview of the resources on their site for attendees in the Lake County area to utilize. SIU then provided a demonstration of the Get Hired IL website and the different resources available for job seekers.

At a Glance

- Total Businesses: 25
- Total Attendees: 671
- Total Jobs Represented by Sector: 5,692
- Training Webinar Attendees: 308

“For nearly a decade, we have hosted a job expo in the Northern Suburbs to help hardworking individuals find not just jobs, but careers. While the COVID-19 pandemic created an obstacle by not allowing for an in-person expo, I knew helping residents find work was more important than ever. So many people throughout the community were put out of work during this unprecedented time, but I am pleased to say we helped hundreds of them get back on their feet.

Congressman Brad Schneider and I, in partnership with a number of amazing state and local organizations, were able to host nearly 700 participants. We are so grateful for the more than two dozen businesses who outlined their job openings and benefits. Together, we were able to provide resources and help to individuals that may not have otherwise received. Thank you to everyone involved. – **Senator Melinda Bush**

The COVID-19 pandemic has put so many people out of work and left them struggling to find a steady job. Now more than ever, we need to be highlighting employers that can and want to bring on new employees. Our job fairs have over the years connected hundreds with jobs, and I am so grateful we were able to adapt and overcome the challenges of social distancing this year to continue those connections. I look forward to working with Senator Bush to continue to help those in our communities seeking work. – **Congressman Brad Schneider (IL-10)**



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Summary of VJF Event Data

Schedule / Attendees

Schedule

Each day a different job sector was covered with the following schedule:

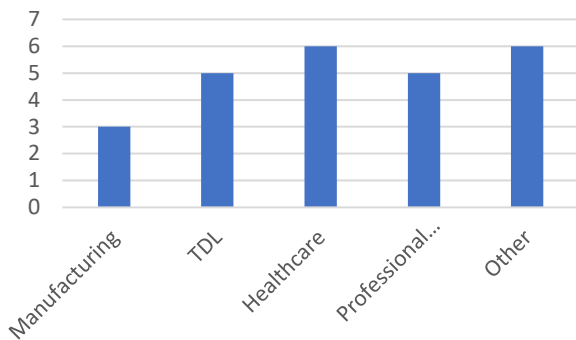
- 8/24: Manufacturing
- 8/25: TDL
- 8/26: Healthcare
- 8/27: Professional Services
- 8/28: Other

Training Sessions

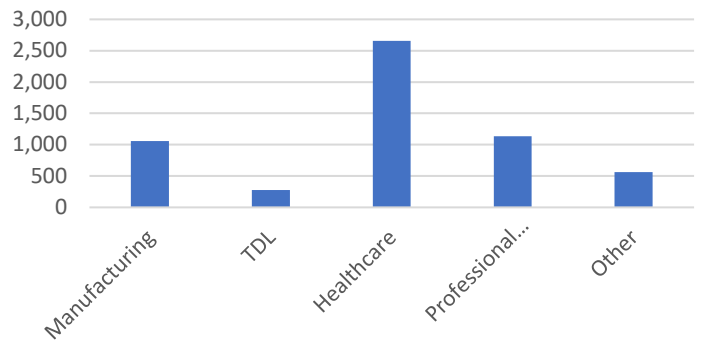
In conjunction with the Virtual Job Expo events, the following training sessions are being held (Note: # of attendees will be updated after the training sessions):

- 9/1 – Discovering Your Skills and Interest to Explore Career Opportunities: 90
- 9/2 – Illinois’ FREE Online IT Training Through Coursera: 177
- 9/3 – Illinois workNet Service Finder and Resource Guides: 41

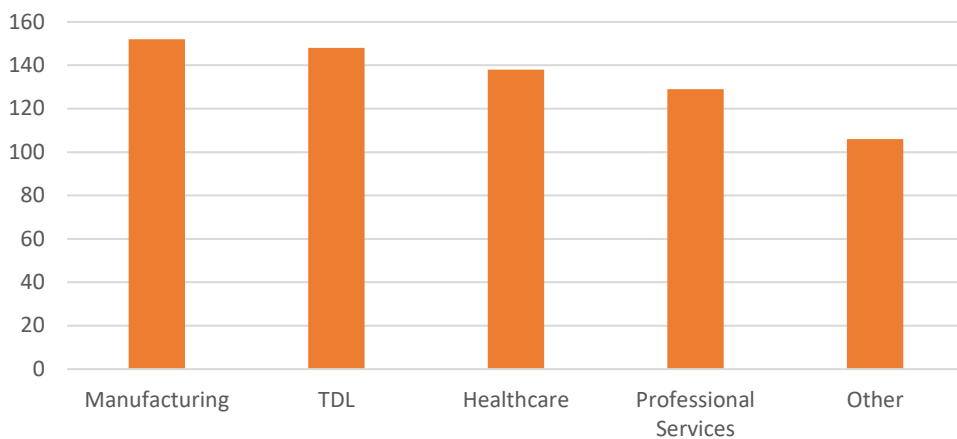
Number of Employer Booths per Session



Number of Jobs Represented Based by Sector



Number of Attendees per Session



“ As a first-time virtual event job fair attendee, I found the event very well planned and executed. The ability to reach out to potential employees during these extraordinary circumstances provided me with the opportunity to expand my recruiting efforts and potentially hire qualified individuals while still maintaining social distancing. Being part of a group of well-known and highly sought-after employers was encouraging and inspiring. Hopefully, the impact on the individuals in the community seeking employment during these uncertain times will continue to be a positive impact for both the community and the employers. I look forward to participating in future events and am encouraged that we will continue to be able to find qualified applicants through on-going job fair events that Senator Bush and Congressman Schneider have sponsored. – Teanna Huston – General Manager at Durham School Services



Interested in Setting up an Employer Booth with the Illinois workNet Virtual Job Fair?

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SETTING UP YOUR EMPLOYER BOOTH

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Add Booth

PDF Instructions

Step By Step Instructions

Step 1: Login & Submit your Employer Booth

Log in to or create an Illinois workNet account and complete the required fields to set up your Employer Booth. After you submit your booth information it will be reviewed and approved by IwN staff. Once your booth is submitted you will receive a notification email with additional best practice information on hosting VJF. You will also receive an email confirmation after your booth is reviewed and approved.

Note: Your booth information will be made available to job seekers so they can explore more about your business and prepare for any virtual job fairs you participate on.

Step 2: Adding VJF, Docs, & Links to your Booth

Continue building your Employer Booth by adding your VJF. You can select to:

1. Add your own VJF. If you select this option you will be able to add a link to your events registration page so job seekers can easily sign up to participate in your VJF.
2. Request assistance hosting your VJF from IwN. If you select this option you will be provided with a link to complete a google form identifying your proposed schedule (2-week advanced notice is required) and other VJF needs. After completing the form, you will be added to the VJF queue. Illinois workNet staff will review your information and work with you to:
 - Establish a zoom meeting room through Illinois workNet to facilitate a live VJF with participants.
 - Create online registration that can be marketed and shared across a variety of platforms.
 - Add your live events to the Illinois workNet Events Calendar & Employer Booth information.
 - Ensure you are ready to present your business live during the VJF.

Note: If you identified that you would like zoom training prior to the live VJF Illinois workNet staff will schedule a dry run session to walk through the zoom.

Step 3: Preparing for & Attending your VJF

Now that you have your Employer Booth created and your VJF is scheduled it is time to prepare for your VJF. Make sure you are scheduled to work the virtual job fair, and that any technology being used has been tested & works properly.

- Check out these Illinois workNet Articles for more information on VJF:
 - Preparing for a Virtual Job Fair - Employers
 - Attending a Virtual Job Fair - Employers

Step 4: Posting Archived VJF & Following Up

After completing your live VJF be sure to update your Employer Booth information with a link to the archived recording so you are able to attend the live events to learn more about your business, open positions, and what next steps they should be applying. Additionally, be sure to follow up with any prospective candidates in a timely manner.

Note: If your VJF was hosted through Illinois workNet, this will automatically be done within 3 business days of your VJF.

SEARCH BY KEYWORD

Filter by Industry: All Industries

Search in proximity to location or place: Type address or location name

160 Driving Academy

10 Open Positions

1st MidAmerica Credit Union

9 Open Positions

A.S.G. Staffing, Inc.

640 Open Positions

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Durham School Services: Virtual Job Booth

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Website

<https://www.facebook.com/Carpenters@DurhamSchoolServices/>

Job Information

Job Posting Information

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Job Posting Industries

Educational Services; Transportation and Warehousing

Employer Description

Durham provides safe and reliable transportation to students across the United States, transporting more than 1,000,000 students daily. With our expertise and nationwide resources, you will no longer have to worry about new bus capital, routing issues, bus breakdowns and the recruitment and training of drivers. NOW HIRING School Bus Drivers Algonquin, IL & Carpentersville, IL. At Durham School Services, everything we do is graded on the performance of our front line—our drivers. The search for the right drivers is paramount to our success because the best drivers = the safest kids. We are always looking for qualified drivers. If you are at least 21 years of age, have had a valid driver's license for at least 3 years, think you've got what it takes and are interested in the benefits listed below, apply or contact us today! DSS will be participating in the Virtual Job Expo with State Senator Malinda Bush and Congressman Brad Schneider on August 25th from 1:00-2:00 pm. *Competitive Starting Wage at \$20 an hour *Free CDL training provided *Paid company training *No Experience necessary *Part time Morning & Afternoon hours *Health and 401k benefits apply online at: <https://careers.dss.com/employer> and in the location pdf Carpentersville to locate the Drive in training position. Or Call(847) 512-6094 to schedule an interview. Requirements: *Must be 21 and enjoy working with Children - DOT Physical and Drug Screen required EOE Job Type: Part time Salary: \$20 /hour

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Upcoming VJF

No virtual job fairs have been added for this booth.

[View All Events](#)

Archived VJF Videos

Durham School Services: Algonquin 6/25/2020

Documents

Filler bus assistant and driver.pdf

Links

Durham School Services Driver Video

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