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Labor Law Update

The 2009 Labor Law Update at the Modoc Employment Center on January 16, 2009 was packed with a full house. Twenty-eight employers through Modoc County attended the popular annual workshop, where Alliance For Workforce Development, Inc., Executive Director Traci Holt, PHR filled them in on the latest changes to state and federal employment law. Among the laws she covered include legislation addressing the mandatory poster changes for 2009, cell phone and text messaging usage while driving, I-9 form changes, meal and rest period compliance, and Cal/OSHA reporting. Traci also provided information on required postings and notices, and the top mistakes employers make that get them into trouble.



Department of Rehabilitation

The Department of Rehabilitation located in the Modoc Employment Center has a new employee. Greg Milner started his new job with DOR on January 12, 2009. Welcome Greg!

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Census Bureau Recruitment

Modoc Employment Center was the site for the 2010 Census testing. Testing was conducted in December, January, and February with a total of 44 people tested. Robert Pugh, the Census Bureau Recruiter, commented that he had filled his quota for Modoc County. Training sessions will be at our facility in April for those hired.



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New Employee Carrie Skaggs

Modoc Employment Center has new member of the team. Carrie Skaggs joined us on February 12, 2009 as a Career Center Adviser. We are very glad to have Carrie on our team!

Carrie stated, "I'm very happy to join the team at the Modoc Employment Center. I recently moved from Houston to Alturas. The people and natural beauty of this city have made me feel right at home. My past work experience ranges from education to corporate work environments. I also hold a Bachelors of Science in Marketing from Louisiana State University. Some of the most fulfilling times in my life have come from helping others. I look forward to working with the Alliance For Workforce Development, Inc. team to assist the community in helping people improve their quality of life."



2009 Career Expo

County job seekers and employers met face-to-face on Thursday, March 19, 2009 during the 2009 Modoc County Career Expo. Over 75 Modoc County job seekers were able to access one-stop shopping for a new job. Ten employers were on hand to collect resumes and applications, provide information on job openings, and conducting on-the-spot interviews. Employers that attended the Career Expo were: Modoc National Forest Service, Desert Rose Casino, Modoc Child Care Council, Subway, Modoc County Office of Education, Modoc Medical, Laborers Union Local 185, Warner Mountain Group Home, Alturas Ranches, and the California Highway Patrol. This years Career Expo was held at the Veterans Memorial Hall in Alturas.





Success Story

Teia Harris

Teia Harris moved to Alturas from Susanville. When Teia came into the Modoc Employment Center she was looking for employment. We referred Teia to a position at Subway and she has been employed there since October 31, 2009. After talking with Teia she had a goal of obtaining her GED and wanted to enroll in Post Secondary Training.

Teia used the Adult Basic Learning Examination (ABLE) to see where she was academically. Her test scores were extremely high so she took the GED study guide home and studied for a few weeks before the GED testing. Teia completed the GED testing on December 22, 2008. Her test results came within a few weeks and her score was in the 90% category.

WAY TO GO TEIA!!!!

Submitted by: Mary Martin

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 16- Modoc Economic Vitality Meeting

April 13-17- Census Bureau Training

April 22- FTC Workshop-Federal Contract Administration

May 21- Modoc Economic Vitality Group Meeting

June 18- Modoc Economic Vitality Group Meeting

July 13-17- Youth Entrepreneur Boot Camp