

Community Coordinator Report

Sierra County

JULY – SEPTEMBER

2014

Building Relationships



The Career Center Advisor & Business Service Representative for Sierra County had a special invitation to attend the monthly Eastern Sierra County Chamber of Commerce meeting in Loyalton, CA. The Chamber is currently working on building memberships and wanted to know if AFWD could help.

The meeting was well attended. It's was exciting to see so many people interested in growing the Chamber. AFWD staff discussed ideas on how to promote Chamber membership and community involvement. Terrific ideas for fundraisers were suggested, especially those ideas involving the local merchants.

Sierra Labor Force &
Unemployment Rates
August 2014

Labor Force

1,490

Employment

1,360

Unemployment Rate

120

Unemployment rate

8.3%

Youth - Sierra Pass School Outreach

The Business and Career Network Sierra County Youth team has been developing partnerships with local high schools. With a couple of months of the new school year already complete, AFWD made contact with a new teacher at Sierra Pass Continuation High School and are planning a presentation for seniors on Wednesday October 1, 2014.

Congratulations to Jimmy Exline and Jose Lopez who both obtained their high school diploma June 2014!

Building partnerships in the Community

Business and Career Network Sierraville office recently gave a presentation to multiple Sierra County officials informing them of the many resources offered through both the Adult and Youth WIA Programs. The State of California is reaching out to utilize other agency services that can partner their efforts in the rehabilitation of drug court probationers with one of their goals being to help clients achieve rehabilitation without jail time. Part of the platform would include assisting individuals in overcoming barriers to employment. AFWD, Inc. employees Shellie Anderson of Lassen County, and Kayte Puckett from Sierra County, gave a presentation to the group providing an in depth overview of eligibility and the many resources AFWD, Inc. has to offer including: resume creation workshops, standard application assistance, computer lab usage, job referrals. Informational packets and referral forms were provided to attendees to begin the process of partnering efforts for reducing recidivism and ensure client success.



AFWD America's Job Center of California Statistics

Sierra County Visitors

76

AFWD Business Services

Business Served	613
Service Provided	2,014
Positions Filled	59
Training Assistance	302

Program Services

Total enrollments this quarter

Adult	159
Dislocated Worker	143
Youth	28
Employed	122

Unemployment Rate

Butte	8.1%	Plumas	7.5%
Lassen	8.6%	Sierra	8.3%
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This Quarter's Success Story

Frank Dalpez

Frank Dalpez moved to Sierra County to start a new life after struggling and giving up his business a year earlier. Frank saw the Business and Career Network sign in Loyalton, and at the end of March Frank came in to introduce himself. Frank then started attending the workshops and used the universal services offered at the office. When AFWD moved the Sierra office location, Frank continued to come to the new office in Sierraville. Frank then met with our Career Center Advisor and was enrolled in the Adult Program. AFWD assisted with developing a job search plan he could successfully find a full-time career. Frank attended one of the Resume Workshops and his professional resume was created. Frank became interested in the Sierra County Land Fill Attendant position and went to the county website online to download the application. He filled it out and submitted it along with his resume. Within a week, Frank's dedication paid off and he was hired as a full-time employee at Sierra County Land Fill.



Congratulations Frank, for a job well done!

