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## **Businesses Invited to June 24 Event to Meet IT/Software Job Candidates**

**Vancouver, Wash. (June 10, 2014)** – Businesses that employ information technology and/or software professionals are invited to a free “Link-2-Talent” event on Tuesday, June 24 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Clark College’s main campus.

Sponsored by the Southwest Washington Workforce Development Council (SWWDC), WorkSource and Clark College, the event will allow businesses to meet upcoming graduates who have been trained in CCNA/network, Exchange server/SQL, web design, IT management, information security and help desk.

Speed networking and a chance to have conversations with candidates are part of the free event. Businesses are encouraged to attend, whether or not they have current job openings.

Reservations are requested by noon on June 13 to Darcy Hoffman at 360-735-5038 or [dhoffman@esd.wa.gov](mailto:dhoffman@esd.wa.gov). The event will be held at Clark College, 1933 Fort Vancouver Way, Penguin Union Building, Room 258, light refreshments will be provided.

The program was funded through a Department of Labor Skills Training & Employment Partnership (STEP) grant secured by the Southwest Washington Workforce Development Council (SWWDC) to train individuals for information technology/software occupations.

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**WorkSource** is a partnership of state agencies, local service providers, colleges and community organizations that provide free employment and training services to job seekers and employers. WorkSource assists employers to recruit and screen for qualified applicants, provide wage reimbursement opportunities through On-the-Job Trainings, and supply cost-savings information on employment tax credits. WorkSource serves more than 1,000 jobseekers and 200 businesses each month. For more information, visit [www.go2worksource.com](http://www.go2worksource.com).