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## **Workforce Southwest Washington will host youth career and job fair March 19**

**Vancouver, Wash. (Jan. 15, 2020)** – Workforce Southwest Washington (WSW) is seeking businesses to participate in its fourth annual Youth Employment Summit (YES) on March 19, 2020 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Clark County Event Center, 17402 NE Delfel Road, Ridgefield.

At the event, companies can meet their future workforce, increase awareness of their company and promote job opportunities to approximately 500 young adults, ages 16 to 24, from school districts and youth programs across Clark, Cowlitz and Wahkiakum counties.

Interested businesses can sign up online at <https://bit.ly/2pXp7dZ>.

For more information, contact Alyssa Joyner, Senior Project Manager – Manufacturing at [ajoyner@workforcesw.org](mailto:ajoyner@workforcesw.org) or 503.410.0408.

Companies can participate in three ways:

1. **Host a table.** Health care, tech, manufacturing and construction companies can host a table to share company information, including types of education/training needed, types of jobs the company employs, answer questions and provide hands-on demonstrations or activities. *Assistance is available for companies that need help designing an activity.*
2. **Hire a student.** Businesses in any industry with job openings for 16-18-year-olds are encouraged to register. Work experience is critical to a young person's future success in the workforce.
3. **Be a sponsor.** Business support ensures as many young people as possible have an opportunity to participate. Contact Darcy Hoffman at [dhoffman@workforcesw.org](mailto:dhoffman@workforcesw.org) to learn about sponsorship opportunities.

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**Workforce Southwest Washington (WSW)** funds community prosperity by investing in services that help individuals gain skills to find a good-paying job or advance in their careers and help companies attract, train and retain workers. Our investments strengthen the region's businesses and contribute to a strong economy. Since 2003, we've invested more than \$100 million in Clark, Cowlitz and Wahkiakum counties. Learn more at [www.workforcesw.org](http://www.workforcesw.org).

*Serving businesses, job seekers and youth in Clark, Cowlitz and Wahkiakum counties.*