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WorkSource Hosting Virtual Hiring Fair January 27
Pre-event workshops teach how to use the virtual platform

Vancouver, Wash. (Jan. 20, 2021) – With COVID-19 safeguards limiting in-person events, finding a job is more challenging than in the past. To help individuals searching for work connect with companies that are hiring, WorkSource is hosting a virtual hiring event Wednesday, January 27 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Nearly 40 companies will be hiring for workers in healthcare, construction, manufacturing and other industries. Individuals can register now for the event at https://bit.ly/2LjGlgp and upload a resume.

The event uses a platform called Brazen. A brief video about the technology is available on the registration page. In addition, WorkSource is holding workshops in the days before the event to provide guidance on how to use the system.

Register for a workshop to learn the virtual hiring event technology:
- January 22 from 10 – 11 a.m.  https://bit.ly/2KadACb

Job seekers with questions should contact Hope Baker at hbaker@esd.wa.gov.

Job seekers should prepare for the event as they would for an in-person interview and dress appropriately and be prepared to speak with hiring representatives. Those new to virtual technology may want to practice with their computers to get comfortable on camera.

Companies will have open jobs listed at their virtual booth during the event. Companies currently registered to be at the event include:

1. Performance Systems Integration
2. Wilcox and Flegel
3. Banfield
4. CareOregon
5. Legacy
6. PeaceHealth
7. Great Western Malting
8. Interfor
9. LifePort
10. nLight
11. Silicon Forest Electronics (SFE)
12. Ace Event Service/Private Security
At the event, job seekers can also visit the WorkSource booth to learn about resume help, workshops and other available job search and training services.

## Workforce Southwest Washington (WSW)
WSW, a nonprofit organization, funds community prosperity by investing in services that help individuals gain skills to obtain good-paying jobs 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 Southwest Washington. WSW is the Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB) designated by federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) legislation to oversee the public workforce system in Cowlitz, Wahkiakum and Clark counties. Learn more at [www.workforcesw.org](http://www.workforcesw.org).

**WorkSource** is a statewide partnership of state, local and nonprofit agencies that provides an array of employment and training services to job seekers in Washington State. Customers access services electronically through [www.WorkSourceWA.com](http://www.WorkSourceWA.com) or a network of more than 60 WorkSource centers and affiliate sites across Washington State. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the WorkSource centers in Kelso and Vancouver are providing services virtually, including job search support, funding for job retraining, workshops and classes, connections to housing,

WSW and WorkSource are equal opportunity employers/programs. Auxiliary aids are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Washington Relay 711.