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## Employers Invited to October Job Fair

FAYETTEVILLE – The Cumberland Workforce Development Center and the Cumberland County Department of Social Services Work First Program, along with other community partners, are seeking employers to participate in an upcoming job fair on Oct. 8 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Crown Expo Center.

There is no charge to host a table at the “Fall into Work” Job Fair, which will be free and open to the public. In the past, the annual event has been held at the DSS building on Ramsey Street. The larger Crown Expo Center venue will allow more employers to participate. The sponsors hope to attract more than 100 vendors featuring employment opportunities in areas ranging from business, child care, education, customer service, government, food service, hospitality, health care and many others.

“Our last job fair attracted over 2,000 job seekers and more than 70 business vendors. We hope to grow this year’s event to include over 100 vendors and more than 3,000 job seekers. Thus, this will be a great opportunity for businesses to find good employees at a minimal cost,” said Richard Everett, Assistant Director for Economic Independence at DSS.

Geneva Mixon, Workforce Development Director, encourages job seekers to put Oct. 8 on their calendars. “I am very excited about the job fair. It is going to allow individuals in our county who are unemployed a chance to go to a one-stop center, where they can put in their applications and see multiple employers,” she said.

For more information and to sign up for a table, contact Robert Relyea, 910-677-2222, [Robertrelyea@ccdssnc.com](mailto:Robertrelyea@ccdssnc.com); or Bill Kiser, 910-677-2177, [billkiser@ccdssnc.com](mailto:billkiser@ccdssnc.com).

Community partners include Fayetteville Technical Community College, City of Fayetteville Community Development Department, Beasley Broadcast Group, Hiring Now Magazine, Fayetteville-Cumberland County Chamber of Commerce, Hardees and the Public Works Commission.

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