



Rapides Workforce Development Board E-Bulletin



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September 2022

Career Opportunities



U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs

Veterans Health Administration
Alexandria VA health care System
VISN 16 | Alexandria, LA



Health Care Career Opportunities

**Alexandria VA Medical Center
hosting Job Hiring Fair**

Join the Alexandria VA for it's job hiring fair on Saturday, September 24th, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, at 2495 Shreveport Highway, Pineville, LA in the Auditorium located in Building 8, 2nd floor.

Click [here](#) for details and register [here](#).



ALEXANDRIA
mall

JOB FAIR
Let's Go!

**September 17th
11am-4pm**

Center Court
Alexandria Mall
3437 Masonic Drive • Alexandria, LA 71301

Seeking new employment or looking for a change of pace? Stop in to speak directly with hiring managers and explore what opportunities are available.


Sponsors



For more info or to register your business contact 318-619-2742 clarissa.pugh@amjll.com

CHRISTUS

CAREER NIGHT



REGISTER TODAY

For more information, contact Danny Miller at 318. 561.4173 or danny.miller@christushealth.org
View the event [here](#).



Join us for

**Walk-in
Wednesdays**

Rapides Regional Medical Center Human Resources office will be open from 2-4 p.m. every Wednesday for walk-in interviews or to apply for jobs available.

To participate in "Walk-In Wednesdays" at RPMC, apply [online](#) ahead of your visit and bring a copy of your resume with you.

Join our team!

NOW HIRING

Central Louisiana State Hospital

Psychiatric Aides

On Site Training

www.governmentjobs.com/careers/louisiana

318-484-6200

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NOW HIRING

Central Louisiana State Hospital

RNs & LPNs

www.governmentjobs.com/careers/louisiana

318-484-6200

Updated Special Entry Rate of Pay

Flexible Shifts

Paid Holidays

Insurance Options

Retirement

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Community Events

Community Development Works Grant Writing Series

- Grant Writing Power Hour (Webinar)**
 - Thursday, September 15
 - 11 a.m.-Noon
- Before You Start Grant Writing (Webinar)**
 - Tuesday, September 20
 - 11 a.m.-Noon
- Where to Find the Money: 3 Tools to Find Grant Opportunities (Webinar)**
 - Thursday, September 29
 - 11 a.m.-Noon
- Basic Grant Writing (In-person Workshop)**
 - Tuesday, October 4
 - 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Demystifying Federal Grant Writing (In-person Workshop)**
 - Tuesday, October 11
 - 9 a.m.-Noon
- What Funders Want to See (In-person Workshop)**
 - Tuesday, October 18
 - 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

FALL 2022 Training Calendar

Community Development Works
Helping People Build Communities in Central Louisiana

Trainings are free, but registration is needed.
communitydevelopmentworks.org 800-803-8075
Workshops will be held at 1101 4th St., Alexandria

LSU OF ALEXANDRIA SHRIMP JAM

FEATURING GUEST SPEAKER **D-D BREAUX**
FORMER HEAD COACH OF LSU GYMNASTICS
NINE-TIME SEC COACH OF THE YEAR
LOUISIANA SPORTS HALL OF FAME

SEPTEMBER 22, 2022
5:30 PM at the Randolph Riverfront Center
707 2nd St. Alexandria, LA 71301
Fresh shrimp, food, & cash bar!
\$75 per person / Table Sponsorships Available
Ticket sales open August 1, 2022

For more information: tunsicker@lsua.edu or call 318-473-6571
Tickets are Non-refundable

PROCEEDS BENEFIT LSUA ATHLETICS

GAA **LOUISIANA SEAFOOD**
LOUISIANA GOVERNOR **BILLY NUNGESSER**

Register [here](#)!

Get your tickets [here](#)!

Community Assistance

Re-Entry Solutions and The Alexandria Housing Authority
Present

2nd Annual Resource Roundup

Participating Agencies:
BEACON Behavioral Health
AHEC
ExpressTemp Agency
No Limit 4 Recovery
SOAR Health Network
Central LA Human Service District
Unite Us
ACP Cell Phones/Tablets
C. L. U. B Cares Community Business Academy
Community Healthways

When:
September 30
1:00-4:00

Where:
Charles Hayward Activity Center
2586 Loblolly Lane
Alexandria, LA 71301

Contact:
info@reentrysolutions.org
318-443-0189

RE-ENTRY SOLUTIONS

IS THERE LEAD IN YOUR HOME?

The Community Development Department is accepting applications for the **Lead-Safe Housing Program (LSHP)**.

Through this program, applicants who qualify for LSHP may have lead abatement performed on their home. **This could include FREE interior/exterior paint, flooring, and/or windows.**

Minimum requirements of the LSHP:

- Home must have been built before 1978
- A child (or children) under the age of 6 must live in or visit the home for at least 6 hours a week
- Homeowner or tenant must be at 80% of median income for our area
- Homeowner or tenant must reside within the City of Alexandria city limits.

For more information visit
www.cityofalexandria.com/lead-safe-housing-program
call 318-449-5075 or email shelly.gotreaux@cityofalex.com

Alexandria Louisiana

For more information, you may call
318-443-0181 or email
info@reentrysolutions.org

Contact Shelly Gotreaux at **318-449-5074** or
shelly.gotreaux@cityofalex.com
for more information.

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TDD# 800-259-5154



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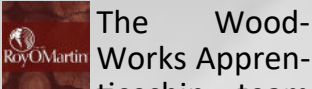


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Success Stories

RoyOMartin Woodworks Apprenticeship Program



The WoodWorks Apprenticeship team members recently completed their on-the-job training at Central Louisiana Technical Community College (CLTCC). During the course, they learned the basics of manufacturing as they transition into their roles at the three RoyOMartin manufacturing facilities. Instructors Nub Parker and Willie Ray Jackson taught about basic manufacturing, electrical, and mechanical skills, as well as helping them obtain their OSHA 10 certifications. In June, these recent high school graduates who successfully completed the WoodWorks certification program, were officially hired as part of the RoyOMartin team.



Photo credit: RoyOMartin

Pictured with the team members (above) are Talent and Engagement Managers Nicole Rogers (pictured, far right) and Melanie Chapman (pictured, far left), who is the WoodWorks program facilitator.

New batches of students from 10 high schools across Central Louisiana attended the WoodWorks program orientation session at the corporate office in Alexandria last week. They were given an overview of the industry-based training program, as well as information on RoyOMartin's history, products, and career opportunities. You can view the students photos' at [#RoyOMartinWoodWorks](#).

Gilchrist Construction Company Intern Highlight



Gilchrist Construction Company recognized Emily Nolasco as she successfully ended her 2022 Summer Internship program. Emily Nolasco is studying Construction Engineering and Technology at Louisiana Tech University.



Emily Nolasco
Photo credit: GCC

During the 2022 summer break, Emily worked as an engineering intern at GCC. Emily stated she enjoyed her experience at GCC which ranged from visiting the project sites to working on project bids with the GCC estimating team.

[Join GCC Team](#)

2022 After School Program

The City of Alexandria, along with the Rapides Parish School Board, offers a free After School Program for students in grades 1-8. The program will start Sept. 19, 2022, and run until the end of the school year in May of 2023.



The program, which will be offered from 3:30-6:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday, includes homework help, tutoring, computer access and snacks for participants. Activities will be held at the Youth and Teen Center (former Boys and Girls Club building) at 1801 Sylvester Street, the Broadway Resource Center at 712 Broadway Avenue, Martin Community Center at 2301 Mill Street and the Bolton Avenue Community Center at 315 Bolton Avenue.

While there is no charge for the program registration is required. Click [here](#) for more information and to download a registration form.



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Workforce



The first observance of Labor Day was likely on Sept. 5, 1882, when some 10,000 workers assembled in New York City for a parade. The parade inspired similar events across the country, and by 1894 more than half the states were observing a "workingmen's holiday" on one day or another.

The projected percentage growth from 2014 to 2024 in the number of wind turbine service technicians (4,400 jobs in 2014), the projected fastest-growing occupation.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

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