



Rapides Workforce Development Board E-Bulletin



A proud partner of the **americanjobcenter** network

July 2022

Career Opportunities

Join our team!

NOW HIRING

Central Louisiana State Hospital

Psychiatric Aides

On Site Training

www.governmentjobs.com/careers/louisiana

318-484-6200

Join our team!

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

We are hiring

COME TEACH WITH US

Will YOU be our next Rapides Parish teacher?

APPLY NOW!

<https://rapides.applicantportal.com/applicant/login.php>

#bettertogether

RPSB is Hiring!

Apply here!

Do you want to be a teacher, but you are not certified?

Discover the Rapides Alternative Temporary Authority to Teach (RAPATAT) Program. It's a program that will help those with Bachelor Degrees teach in a classroom and obtain their teaching license.

Check it out on [RPSB website](#).

WE ARE HIRING



LaSalle ICE Processing Center Center

We are Hiring!

Positions starting at \$18.44 include:

- Detention Officer
- Transportation Officer (CDL required)
- Cook Supervisor

Visit our website for current openings and sign up to join the talent network.

Benefits:

- Medical / Dental / Vision Insurance
- Paid Time Off
- 401K Retirement Plan
- Tuition Reimbursement
- Paid Holidays
- ...and many more!

Location: Jena, Louisiana



APPLY ONLINE www.jobs.geogroup.com

Equal Opportunity Employer



BE THE CHANGE



ARE YOU CERTIFIED?

MAKE YOUR CAREER AT APD!



APD WELCOMES POST-CERTIFIED OFFICERS TO JOIN OUR LEO FAMILY AND MAKE YOUR CAREER IN ALEXANDRIA.

A CAREER WITH APD INCLUDES:

- \$42,500 SALARY TO START + BENEFITS
- 85% INSURANCE PREMIUM PAID BY CITY
- EXTRA DUTY OPPORTUNITIES
- OVERTIME + PAID VACATION & SICK LEAVE
- RETIREMENT & LIFE INSURANCE
- MANY MORE BENEFITS INCLUDED

CONTACT LT. WESLEY MATHEWS @ 318.441.6429

OR WESLEY.MATHEWS@CITYOFALEX.COM.

Elaine Morace
Rapides WDB Director

Rapides American Job Center
5610 - B Coliseum Blvd., Alexandria, LA 71303
(318) 487-5532
Mon -Thurs - 7:00 am - 5:30 pm • Friday - 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Rose Killion
Rapides WDB Chairperson



July 2022

Community Events



Disconnected Youth Community
Networking Meetings

The Rapides Foundation is hosting multiple community meetings for organizations that are working with young adults ages 16-24 who are neither working nor pursuing an education or training, a group sometimes referred to as "disconnected youth." These meetings are being held throughout the month in Central Louisiana communities.

To view the schedule and to register for a meeting near you, click [here](#).

New Location

5th Saturday Market on Main St

Saturday July 30 9-1

In front of Main St Truck Park

Saturday, July 30 9 am - 1 pm

On Main Street between Reagan & Barrett

Food Trucks Local Vendors
Classic Cars LIVE Music

Register [here](#)!

Grant Opportunity

OPPORTUNITY
GRANT
APPLICATIONS
OPEN!

DEADLINE AUGUST 15TH

Applications are now open for Central Louisiana Community Foundation's (CLCF) Arts & Culture Opportunity Grants!

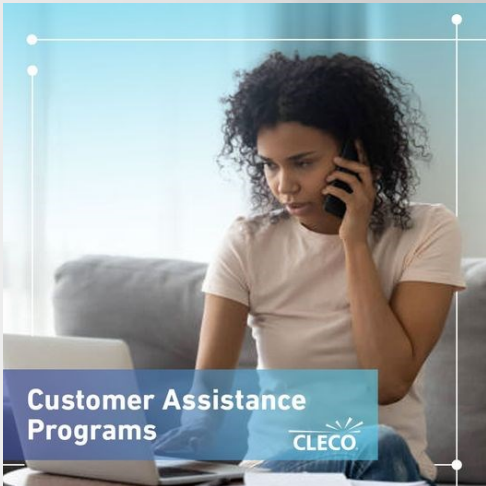
If your organization is promoting arts & culture for children and/or adults in the community, CLCF urges you to apply for this grant.

CLCF grant & award applications are now digital! The application portal link and tutorial can be found [here](#).

Assistance Program

Cleco offers multiple programs to assist customers with their energy bills including Budget Billing, the Power Wise™ Program and more, in addition to state and federal programs.

- ◆ Cleco Alternative Rate for Electricity (CARE) Program
- ◆ Power of Sharing Fund
- ◆ Credit Extension Agreement
- ◆ Budget Billing Program
- ◆ State & Federal Programs, Such as LIHEAP and TANF



If you're in need of assistance, check out the programs listed above on their website, as well as research programs available through local organizations in your area.

View the programs [here](#).

Elaine Morace
Rapides WDB Director

Rapides American Job Center
5610 - B Coliseum Blvd., Alexandria, LA 71303
(318) 487-5532
Mon -Thurs - 7:00 am - 5:30 pm • Friday - 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Rose Killion
Rapides WDB Chairperson



Rapides Workforce Development Board E-Bulletin



A proud partner of the **americanjobcenter** network

July 2022

Pre-Apprenticeship Program



Spark Mindset is offering a Pre-Apprenticeship Program to candidates that have little or no computer or information technology experience. During the 6 months, they prepare students to complete the CompTIA Network + certification.

Applications close on July 22, 2022, or until all spots are filled.

Apply [here!](#)

EMT Program

BECOME A MEDIC!

WE WANT YOUR **PASSION | PURPOSE | PRIDE**

Offering **EMT, Anatomy and Physiology and Paramedic** classes.

SLCC National EMS Academy **Acadian Ambulance Service**

GETTING STARTED Classes are starting soon! Scan the QR code or visit **BecomeAMedic.com** to learn more and schedule an information session.

An educational partnership with South Louisiana Community College, South Louisiana Community College's National EMS Academy is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, upon the recommendation of the Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming an EMT, learn more or sign up [here](#).

Success Story

RoyOMartin Woodworks Program

RoyOMartin celebrated 12 recent high school graduates who successfully completed their WoodWorks certification program. A signing event was held at the corporate office in Alexandria, La., as they were officially hired as part of their team!

Currently offered in 15 central Louisiana and 4 east Texas high schools, RoyOMartin's WoodWorks program is a custom-designed curriculum that covers topics such as applied mathematics, industrial safety, and employability skills. Also included are tours of the company's manufacturing facilities and mentoring by RoyOMartin safety, maintenance, and operations professionals.



Photo Credit: RoyOMartin

Participating high school juniors and seniors can earn credit, a certificate of completion, and a guaranteed interview by RoyOMartin upon successful completion of the program. Since its launch in 2007, the program has provided an alternative pathway to career success besides college or trade school. There are currently approximately 40 WoodWorks graduates employed by the company.

View the video of RoyOMartin-WoodWorks Signing Day [here](#).

Check out RoyOMartin' career opportunities [here](#).

Workforce



Knitting was initially a male-only occupation. In fact, knitting union was established in Paris in 1527, no women were allowed.

Difficulty focusing on the computer screen, short-term memory problems and trouble with basic math can be caused by a mere 2% drop in body water. Remember to stay hydrated during work hours.

If you type the word "askew" into the Google search box, the entire page will tilt slightly.
Sources: FactRetriever & BarryStaff

Elaine Morace
Rapides WDB Director

Rapides American Job Center
5610 - B Coliseum Blvd., Alexandria, LA 71303
(318) 487-5532
Mon -Thurs - 7:00 am - 5:30 pm • Friday - 8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Rose Killion
Rapides WDB Chairperson