

CareerSource Citrus Levy Marion 2703 NE 14th St. Ocala. FL 34470

MARKETING AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE AGENDA

Wednesday, May 14, 2025 - 9:00 a.m.

Zoom Meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89239766799

Phone No: 1-646-558-8656 (EST) Meeting ID: 892 3976 6799

Call to Order

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes, February 12, 2025

A. Jones

C. Schnettler

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A. Jones

DISCUSSION ITEMS

State Update

R. Skinner

Workforce Issues that are Important to Our Community

R. Skinner

PUBLIC COMMENT

ACTION ITEMS

None

PROJECT UPDATES

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MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

ADJOURNMENT

2024 – 2025 MEETING SCHEDULE									
Performance/ Monitoring	Business and Economic Development	Marketing / Outreach	Career Center	Education and Industry Consortium	Executive	Full Board			
Unless noted otherwise all committee meetings are held at CareerSource CLM, 2703 NE 14 th Street, Ocala, FL 34470									
Tuesday 9:00 am	Wednesday 9:00 am	Wednesday 9:00 am	Thursday 9:30 am	Thursday 9:00 am	Wednesday 9:30 am	Wednesday, 11:30 am			
8/13/2024	8/14/2024	8/21/2024	8/15/2024	8/29/2024	8/28/2024	9/4/2024	CF Levy		
11/12/2024	11/6/2024	11/13/2024	11/7/2024	11/14/2024	11/20/2024	12/11/2024	CF Ocala		
2/4/2025	2/5/2025	2/12/2025	2/20/2025	2/6/2025 CF - Room 206 Enterprise Center	2/26/2025	3/12/2025	CF Lecanto		
5/6/2025	5/7/2025	5/14/2025	5/15/2025	5/8/2025 CF - Room 206 Enterprise Center	5/28/2025	6/4/2025	CF Ocala		

OUR VISION STATEMENT

To be known as the number one workforce resource in the state of Florida by providing constructive tools and professional supportive services that are reflected in the quality of our job candidates and meet the needs of the business community.



CAREERSOURCE CITRUS LEVY MARION Marketing and Outreach Committee

MINUTES

DATE: February 12, 2025

PLACE: 2703 NE 14th Street, Ocala, FL 34470

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

MEMBERS ABSENT

Al Jones, Chair Darlene Goddard

John Murphy Kathy Judkins Kim Baxley Staci Bertrand

OTHER ATTENDEES

Rusty Skinner, CSCLM
Dale French, CSCLM
Cory Weaver, CSCLM
Laura Byrnes, CSCLM

Cira Schnettler, CSCLM

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Al Jones, Chair, at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Cira Schnettler called roll, and a quorum was declared present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

John Murphy made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 13, 2024, meeting. Kim Baxley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

State Update

Dale French updated the committee on the following items:

- The Consortiums of all three workforce regions (CLM, Region 6, and Region 26) have met and agreed to sign off on the regional planning identification application. The regional planning application was submitted to the State and will be on the agenda for the February CareerSource Florida board meeting.
- The Dislocated Worker Grant that is funding recovery efforts from Hurricane Idalia was not renewed and will be ending beginning in March. This grant was very successful with 197 enrollments and a community investment upwards of ten-million dollars. We have been notified that a \$250,000 grant has been awarded for

Hurricane Helene recovery of the aquaculture farmers. This amount will extend the program for an additional week. We are hopeful of receiving additional funding to allow the program to be extended through June 30, 2025.

Workforce Issues that are Important to Our Community

Al Jones shared that the auto repair industry has an increased need for workers and attributed the increase due to tax season.

Business Services Consultant

Dale French shared that an RFP for a business services consultant was posted and did not receive any bids. We were looking to hire a third party to identify opportunities for improvement in our business services department. Other options will be explored.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ACTION ITEMS

Website RFP

Dale French explained that five website developers submitted their proposals. The proposals were reviewed and scored. The two highest scoring developers were contacted for additional input and the recommendation is to contract with Appleton Creative. They are a local firm in Marion County. There was discussion about security and the development platform. The website will not contain portals for the general public to create accounts or share private information. It was noted that the platform will meet our needs. Kathy Judkins made a motion to proceed with an agreement with Appleton Creative for website development. John Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

PROJECT UPDATES

Event Report

Cory Weaver highlighted items from the Event Report. She noted increased attendance at hiring events and job fairs. She also noted two upcoming job fairs. She invited the committee members to attend the February job fair at MTC in Marion County and the April job fair at WTC in Citrus County. There will also be youth job fairs occurring in all three counties in the next quarter.

Marketing and Outreach Report

Laura Byrnes highlighted a variety of marketing activities that occurred in the guarter.

She noted the below:

• The Heart of HR Conference will be held on April 1, 2025, at the Circle Square Cultural Center in On Top of the World. Sponsorship opportunities are available. Johnny C. Taylor, a prominent figure with SHRM will be the keynote speaker. The committee viewed the sizzle reel for the event. Staci Bertrand and Al Jones acknowledged how professional the artwork is for the event.

MATTERS FROM THE FLOOR

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:44 a.m.
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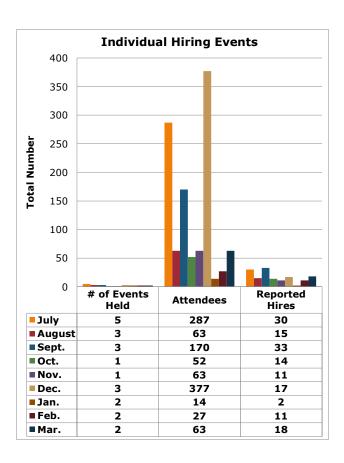


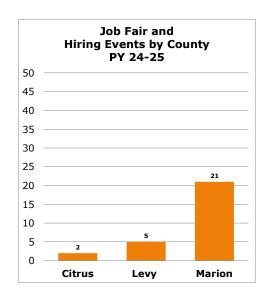
PY 24 - 25 Individual Events

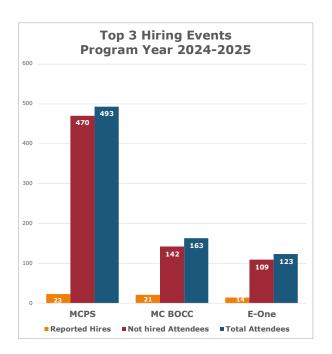
Total Events: 22 Attendees: 1116 Reported Hires: 149

PY 24 - 25 Job Fairs

Attendees: 733 Businesses: 117







Other Individual Hiring Events 1/2025 - 3/2025

Event Date	Event Name	Event Location	County
1/22 & 2/18	Florida Department of Corrections	Chiefland	Levy
1/28	Coca Cola Beverages Florida	14th Street	Marion
2/4	Monterey-Blackfin Boats	Monterey-Blackfin Boats	Levy
3/12	CX Ocala LLC	14th Street	Marion





OUTREACH HIGHLIGHTS

COMMUNICATIONS AND MARKETING | MAY 14, 2025







APRIL 1, 2025 | CIRCLE SQUARE CULTURAL CENTER

TICKETS SOLD + 45%

ATTENDANCE + 38%

"WORTH IT"/REASONABLY PRICED 95%

PLAN TO ATTEND NEXT YEAR: 93%

SURVEY RESPONDENTS: 37%

OVERALL CONFERENCE RATING: 9.6

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DRIVING ENGAGEMENT AND INNOVATION

This was my first HR conference and have already learned so much! I will definitely attend many more in the years to come. – ERIN

Thank you for great content, location and networking opportunities. — MIRIAM

This has been one of the best one-day conferences overall that I have attended in my HR career. Kudos!

- VANESSA

Amazing team. Someone always checked to see if I needed anything. Very happy!

— IAN, Exhibitor

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Next Year's Conference: Wednesday, April 8, 2026!

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WEBSITE UPDATES

SECURITY MIGRATION

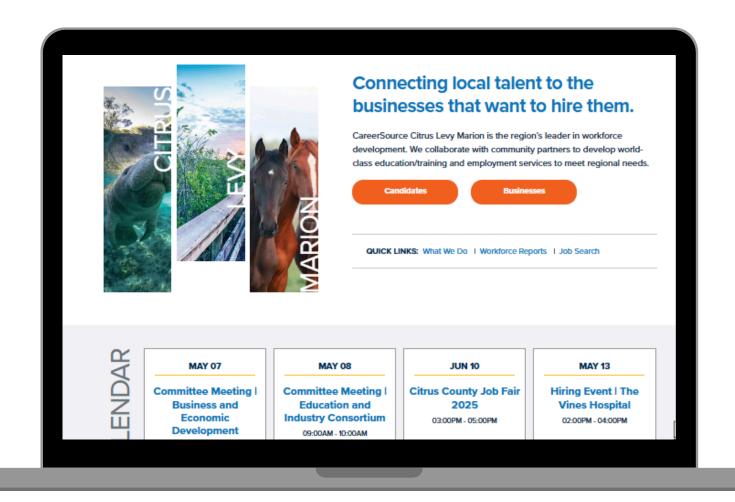
- Custom coded (Laravel) security migration complete
- Staff Trained
- Continued Audit / Ongoing Creation of Punch List of Tweaks

REDESIGN PROJECT

- Discovery session with Appleton Creative April 17
- Received and Fulfilled Action Tasks April 21 (provided backend and Google 4 Analytics credentials)
- Received Next Steps Action Tasks May 2; working through rubric for structuring and optimizing on-page content to include actionable SEO components like key phrase strategy, meta descriptions, and header tags

ONGOING

- Continue Daily Updates of Content and Links
- Oversee Routine Maintenance



Marion County Youth Job Fair

466 Young Adults!

















April 29, 2025

Levy County Youth Career and Job Fair

















April 23, 2025

CDL JOB FAIR

MARION COUNTY

















February 27, 2025

IN THE NEWS

careersourceclm.com/in-the-news

Youth job fair is April 29

The event is for 16-to-24-year-old first-time job seekers.

drops to 4.4 percent



Seasonal shifts up unemployment rate while region shows continued job growth





Global HR Leader to Speak in Ocala







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CareerSource expanding free telecommunications infrastructure training

Citrus Levy Marion has ex-panded its free Creating Con-nections training for those

sarge to residents of Levy, Source North Central Florida. olumbia, Dixie, Gilchrist, Averages annual wages annual wages for telecommunications are te. Madison, Suwannee, \$48,000, 10.5 percent higher

of Central Florida existing residents and pro Vilkinson Levy Cam-spective residents, as well a pus, 15390 U.S. Highway 19, businesses, in helping rura

roject is designed to help federal Building Pathways to rovide broadband access for Infrastructure Jobs program

ians and installers with a connectivity and access pre week boot camp at the vides additional options for

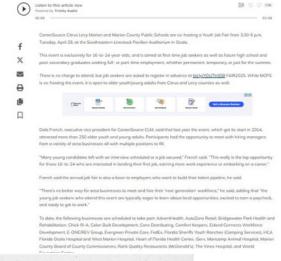
Ocala-News



Truck drivers needed for CDL job fair at



Marion County Youth Job Fair set for April 29



HOMEPAGE

352today

Jobless rate drops in Marion County, but thousands still looking for work Jobless rate for Citrus County climbs



Jobless rate in NCFL decreases to 4.4% amid mixed employment trends





Second annual Youth Career Expo and Job Fair offers 'opportunities' for local students

nership with CareerSource Citrus High School, reflected on the op-Levy Marion, hosted the Second portunity to attend the expo and job

who are graduating next month, and jobs that people a they are looking for work opportu-nities. So, this event allows them access to employers ... get answers any age, really, to see that there are Marion, said when referencing the added. purpose of the expo and job fair.

to their questions," Melissa Saco, people out there that are looking assistant director of Business Ser- for careers, because it's really hard



vices for CareerSource Citrus Levy to find that right now," Richard Blake Landfair, left, a detective with the Levy County Sheriff's Office, shakes a student's hand following a conversation during the Second annual Youth Career Expo and Job Fair April 23. The event was hosted by Levy County Schools in

Jobless rate dips in March April 1 @ 8:00 am - 4:00 pm



Society for Human Resource Management, the world's largest HR pro

The conference, presented by CareerSource Citrus Levy Marion and t (OHRMA), takes place April 1 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Circle Squa also be an HR After Dark reception on March 31 at 5:30 p.m. at the sa

CDL Job Fair puts careers in the driver's seat



across Levy, attended the event. Kevin Arcangeli and Preston Middle School gymnasium April Richard were among the more than 23. Richard were among the more than 100 students present. The two students, who attend Bronson Middle

5 Releases + 3 Story Pitches/News Alerts

30 Articles/Features (excluding radio spots)

BUSINESS SHOWCASE

WCLM Studio 2703



HCA FLORIDA | March 27 Ocala Hospital West Marion Hospital





CREATING CONNECTIONS BROADBAND













February and June Boot Camps

- Full-Page Ad in Levy Citizen Grad Tab
- Half-Page Ads (5) in Levy Citizen
- Quarter-Page Ad (no charge) in Levy Citizen
- Full-Page Cover Ads (5) in Tri-County Bulletin
- 84 half-minute spots on WLQH Chiefland and WZCC Cross City - Classic Rock and Classic Country
- Updated Sandwich Boards and Flyers
- Weekly Digital Banner Ad in Hardison Ink's LIFE section
- News Releases Distributed to Targeted Media in Levy, Dixie, and Gilchrist counties

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SOCIAL MEDIA / DIGITAL STATS

Last 90 days



Total Followers: 3,272



Reach: 13.2K

Engagement Rate: 6.4%

96+ new page Follows

Best Post

Views: 3,901

Hiring Event

Shares:

16





Total Followers: 2,104



Reach: 11.4K

Engagement Rate: 6.5%

19+ new page Follows





@CareerSource-Citrus-Levy-Marion

Total Followers: 1,202



Unique Visitors: 141 Impressions: 5,211

Engagement Rate: 8.2%

35+ new page Follow

Best Post

Views:

495

We're Hiring

Shares:





Total Subscribers: 2,820



Open Rate: 30.5%

Click Rate: 2.7%

451+ new subscribers

Average Rates for the Nonprofit **Industry Sector**

Open Rate: 40.0%*

Click Rate: 3.27%*

According to Intuit and Mailchimp*

SOCIAL MEDIA SAMPLES



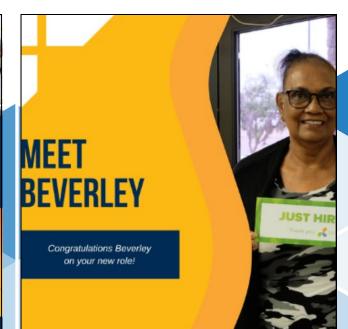


















ADDITIONAL / ONGOING PROJECTS

- Business Success Testimonials (OJT, CBT, Adult Internships)
- Secure/Train/Manage Communications Intern
- Citrus County Job Fair, Summer Job Fair, Youth Career Expos
- Collateral, Collateral, Collateral and Swag (Last Push)
- Update / Enhance Tools (such as Mailchimp, Bitly, Al et al)
- Career Exploration Partnership with Pace Center for Girls
- Next Round of Creating Connections Program