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## Five-County Job, Career and Information Fair to be held in Athens

Local businesses and organizations interested in meeting with potential employees are invited to sign up for a five-county job, career and information fair that will be held in Athens on April 21.

The sixth annual Area 14 One-Stop Job, Career and Information Fair will be held at the Athens Community Center on Wednesday, April 21 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

The event is a great way for area residents to meet with local employers to learn more about job opportunities available in the area, and it gives the employers the chance to talk with hundreds of potential employees. This year's event will also give local employers the chance to learn about a new program that provides funding to businesses and organizations for hiring and training unemployed workers.

The Job, Career and Information Fair is sponsored by Project Hire, the Athens Area Chamber of Commerce and the Area 14 One-Stop partners: The Work Station in Athens County, Hocking County Job Services Center, Meigs County One-Stop Employment and Training Center, Perry County One-Stop and Vinton County One-Stop Employment and Training Center.

The event is free for all businesses and organizations, and the representatives at the fair will be provided with lunch, a table, and assistance setting up and dismantling their displays.

While at the event, employers and job seekers will be able to learn more about Project Hire, a state program designed to link qualified unemployed workers who need extra training with employers. Project Hire can provide up to \$6,000 for training each new employee if the employers and job seekers meet certain requirements. Information on Project Hire will be available at the Job, Career and Information Fair, and the One-Stop partners in each county also have information on the program.

In 2009, more than 500 job seekers attended the Area 14 Job, Career and Information Fair, and even more are expected to attend this year. The event will be a great opportunity for employers to interview highly-skilled individuals who may have the knowledge and experience that their organizations need. All job seekers attending the event will be asked to bring their resumes with them and be prepared to discuss their skills and work experience.

For more information on the April 21 Job, Career and Information Fair at the Athens Community Center, call The Work Station at 1-877-351-0405 or (740) 797-1405.