



Secure Jobs Connect

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Secure Jobs Connect Monthly Report - July 2013

Section A

- a. 265 Referrals Received (5 currently in intake and assessment)
- b. 50 Enrolled
- c. Training - See below
- d. 25 Clients employed as of July 29, 2013
- e. Internships: 2,

Type of Training	Number of Clients
Precision Machinist	1 Enrolled and attending; 1 scheduled for October 2013 class
Certified Nursing Assistant	1 completed classes on July 2, 2013; 2 scheduled to begin classes on August 5, 2013
Notary Public Certification	1-Awaiting training
Knife Skills	1-In registration process

Additionally we have a number of candidates that we are scheduling/awaiting testing/certification as follows:

Type of Certification	Number of Clients
Emergency Medical Technician Testing	1 Passed clinical/Scheduled for Written on August 14, 2013
Certified Medical Assistant Testing	1 Passes C.N.A. Re-Test
Phlebotomy Recertification	1
Blood Borne Pathogens Recertification	1
Certified Nurse's Assistant Certification	2 Scheduled for August 15, 2013

Section B

Shameeka and Quintin have a two parent household with 3 children ages 17, 10 and 3. Quintin was referred to and enrolled in the program in March 2013, shortly thereafter, Shameeka enrolled. Quintin has experience working as a cook and sous chef, but had lost jobs due to transportation. Quintin got a job through a temp agency working in a production environment and we continued to look for employment in his field. Shameeka is a Certified Nurse's Aide. Shameeka's biggest barrier was child care for her 3 year old.

CPM worked closely with Shameeka to arrange child care, and assisted both in preparing resumes, and further developing interview skills. In May, Shameeka entered employment as a C.N.A. Quintin entered employment as a cook for a human service agency. Both parents are now working and earning the income needed to support their household.

Section C

We continue to develop new partnerships and expand on partnerships already in place in a variety of ways:

- Holyoke Community College's Jump Start program provided C.N.A. training for an SJC client.

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- Holyoke Credit Union is donating the cost of fees associated with the purchase of gift cards for SJC client mini grants allowing us to purchase 125 \$100.00 gift cards at face value
- Square One Mom's Squad is contributing \$200.00 towards the cost of C.N.A. training and certification for a client enrolled in SJC and Mom Squad
- HAP Housing has provided financial assistance for SJC families that are not voucher eligible to access summer care for school aged children
- The Springfield YMCA and Holyoke Boys and Girls Club discounted Summer Camp Slots for SJC

The CPM Job Navigator hired for Secure Jobs Connect remains vacant, the search process is underway.

HAP Housing purchased 6 summer camp slots for school aged children. These slots allowed for 4 SJC families to access child care free of charge.

We continue to work closely with the HAP, CHD and NEFWC to ensure that clients that are facing either eviction or the end of Rental Assistance are receiving all appropriate services, information and options to remain stable in the community.

Section D:

We continue to use the group orientation design prioritizing HB Rental Assistance recipients.

HAP Housing has funded 2 new initiatives (Valley opportunity Council and Future Works) to provide employment Services to HomeBASE families with limited English language skills. SJC has re-directed all referrals for those clients to these specialized services.