

News Release

Martin Community College – January 30, 2017



Pictured above from left to right in front are Crystal Waters (MCC Counselor) and Brenda Moore (MCC's HRD Program Coordinator) and on the back row from left to right are Sherrie Bazemore (WIOA Workforce Specialist), Sonona Jefferson (Program Services Manager for Martin Enterprises) and Krista Jernigan Wood (Manager for the Department of Commerce-Division of Workforce Solutions/NC Works Career Center in Williamston) as they plan the 2017 "Get the Life You Love" Job Fair and Career Expo to be held at the Bob Martin Center on March 9. Taking the picture was Judy Jennette (MCC Director of PR and Institutional Advancement), who is also a member of the committee.

"Get the Life You Love" Job Fair and Career Expo is Set for March 9

Martin Community College (MCC), NC Works of Martin County and Martin Enterprises are once again joining forces to sponsor the **"GET THE LIFE YOU LOVE"** Job Fair and Career Expo on Thursday, March 9, 2017 from 10 am to 2 pm at the Bob Martin in Williamston, North Carolina. Last year, more than 50 business and industry representatives were on hand to discuss job opportunities with attendees.

The purpose of this event is to connect job seekers of all types - current and prospective college students, career changers, veterans, the unemployed, and the underemployed - to local and regional employers. MCC faculty and staff, as well as NC Works personnel, will also be on hand to assist job seekers in developing the skills they need for particular careers.

This event will allow attendees to network with recruiters and gain valuable job seeking experience and confidence. It will also connect attendees to faculty advisors of MCC's academic programs who will help them gauge their training needs for the jobs they are seeking. NC Works advisors will be on hand to connect job seekers to job training assistance – like resume building, tuition assistance, etc.

It's not too late for local businesses and industries to participate in this event. This year, vendors are asked to register at Eventbrite.com and search "2017 Martin County Job Fair." Upon registering, vendors will be able to access either a printed or mobile ticket for their event lunch

sponsored by Bojangles of Williamston. Vendors are asked to make sure they register each attendee from their company for individual tickets. If you have additional questions, simply contact MCC Counselor, Crystal Waters, at (252) 789-0268 or crystal.pugh@martincc.edu.

Job Seekers may want to prepare for this event by attending one or more of MCC's ongoing Human Resources Development (HRD) classes. These classes are free and are available in both Williamston and Windsor and provide individualized assistance in developing a resume, job application and interview skills.

In Martin County, the Employability/CRC Lab, located on the MCC campus in Williamston, is open Monday through Thursday, from 8 am until 2:00 pm and on the Bertie Campus in Windsor on Wednesdays, from 8 am to 12 noon.

Training in job searching and resume writing are available at the Martin County NC Works Center in Williamston, Tuesday through Thursday, from 9 am - 1 pm or the Bertie County Works Center on Tuesdays from 9 am to 1 pm and on Thursdays from 9 am until 3:30 pm.

For more information on these preparatory classes and workshops, contact Brenda Moore at brenda.moore@martincc.edu or via phone at 252-789-0236.

Participants are encouraged to bring props, photos, handouts, employment applications, or any other type of visual aids that will provide participants with a better understanding of their career/job opportunities. Job seekers are also encouraged to dress in business-like attire and make arrangements for child care.

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