



Monthly Report **May 2017**

	May Thomasville NCWorks Career Center Total	May Lexington NCWorks Career Center Total	PY16 Total
Number of Visits	800	708	12,922
First Time Customers	365	345	4,267
Repeat Customers	435	363	8,393
Orientations	156	112	2,371
Resume / Interview Assistance	188	65	2,678
Assessments / Testing: (Prove It!; TABE, CareerScope)	11	8	361
Job Search Assistance	642	645	10,072
WIOA Information Sessions	6	12	232

Resource Room and Career Services

- ◆ The Career Centers have been busy throughout the month of May! Lidl, the new grocery store coming to Davidson County has been recruiting to fill numerous positions. Lidl held recruiting events throughout the month in the Thomasville & Lexington centers. A total of 216 interviews were conducted by Lidl in the Career Center in Thomasville. Lidl hired 29 people from their hiring events in Lexington and 52 people from hiring events in Thomasville for a total of 81 hired!
- ◆ Between the other employers holding recruiting events in both Career Centers, 48 job seekers were hired in other positions besides Lidl.
- ◆ Leggett and Platt hired 18 people from one hiring event in Lexington.
- ◆ Two Career Development Consultants (CDC) visited Career and Technical Education Career Development Classes at Ledford High School. Each class had approximately 25 students (freshmen-seniors). CDC's presented for 30 minutes on the most common interview questions and answers, employer expectations, and soft skills. Then, they delivered one-on-one mock interviews, including five interview questions and provided feedback for each student.
- ◆ The Urban League continues to recruit for trainees who are 55 or older who want to get back into the job market. The Urban League staff have office hours daily at varying times in the both Career Centers. The Thomasville Career Center representative reported that they have 10 participants at six different non-profit locations in the Thomasville area. "Our participants are learning everything from administrative skills, to learning how to maintain inventory at a food pantry," she said.
- ◆ Debbie Compton with the former offender initiative continues recruiting for and presenting a monthly workshop to anyone with any type of criminal background issue. The workshop is geared toward finding a job, responding to interview questions about background issues, interviewing styles and more. The workshop is held the 1st Tuesday of each month starting at 9AM at the Thomasville NCWorks Career Center. Debbie has shared this information with probation officers, judges and other services for referring customers to this workshop.

Youth News:



- ⇒ The Get REAL program is a year long program providing the same services during the summer as they do during the winter and spring. Students continue to work on their adult high school and high school equivalency diplomas during the summer. Also, during the summer the students have taken on a beautification project at the school. Students are in the process of planning to plant flowers in the front of the building and the back. The students have been cleaning up around the building to get everything in place. The teachers are supervising this project.
- ⇒ Students celebrated Memorial Day with a cookout and information session on the history of Memorial Day and the reason why we celebrate our Veterans on this day.
- ⇒ DCCC's College and Career Readiness program celebrated students receiving a high school diploma or high school equivalency on May 18th. Get Real was well represented with 11 students being recognized for that success.
- ⇒ Students are gearing up for a trip to Savannah, Georgia. Students will be able to stay on Savannah State University campus, and will be able to experience campus life by eating on campus and staying in college dorm rooms. Students will also have time to see and explore some of the historical sites in the lovely city of Savannah.

Business Services - Highlights

Lidl actively recruited in the Thomasville and Lexington NCWorks Career Centers in the month of May. They anticipate recruiting in the career centers in June also as the company ramps up its hiring efforts. New employees at Lidl earn \$12.00 an hour to start; members of management earn \$16.50 to start. Check with the NCWorks Career Centers or visit DavidsonWorks' Facebook page for Lidl's recruiting dates.

Leggett & Platt heavily recruited in May also to fill multiple openings. The company still has several openings available—multiple Assembler and Packer openings on second shift, a Customer Service Representative opening, and a Second Shift Maintenance Technician opening to name a few. Applicants interested in jobs with Leggett & Platt should visit NCWorks Online (www.ncworks.gov) for details on applying.

	May Total	PY16 Totals
DavidsonWorks Business Contacts	29	287
DavidsonWorks Business Services	20	213
NCWorks Career Center Business Contacts	20	208
NCWorks Career Center Business Services	20	202
DavidsonWorks / Career Center Business Orientations	5	54
Business Recruitment Events	34	185

WIOA Youth Participants Served

WIOA Youth	May Totals
Number in Work Experience	20
Number in Occupational Skills Training	5
Number in Educational Training (GED/AHS)	28
Intensive Case Management	74

WIOA Adult and Dislocated Worker Participants Served

Type of Training	May Totals
Degree/Diploma	57
Continuing Ed/ Certificate	13
Total Active Training	70

Other Program Activities	May Totals
Work Experience	7
Intensive and Training Enrollments	100
WIOA Core Enrollments	778

Veterans Highlights

Unless otherwise noted, Veterans Coffees begin at 8:30 and end at 10:30 am

Korean War and Korean War Era Veterans (1950 - 1953)

you are invited to a special event to recognize and honor you for your service during the Korean War. It will be held on Sunday, July 30, 4:00 - 7:00pm at the Embassy Suites in Concord. The Korean War is called the "Forgotten War", but we want you to know that you have not been forgotten for helping saving South Korea and allowing it's people to remain free. This event is FREE for every Korean War Veteran and one guest. The cost of a ticket for the celebration, dinner and entertainment for other attendees is \$45 each. Call or email Don Timmons to register, or with questions

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[Help us locate and invite Korean War Veterans, 1950 - 1953 to this very special event.](#)

Davidson County, Richard Childress Racing, 425 Industrial Dr., Welcome, NC. 1st Wednesdays, 6/7, **NO VETS COFFEE 7/5**, 8/2, (9/6 - A very special Vets Coffee to preview the new PBS Ken Burns documentary on the Vietnam War), 10/4, 11/1, (12/6 - Year End Finale Vets Coffee)

Davie County, Sagebrush Steakhouse, Mocksville: 1st Thursdays 6/8, **NO VETS COFFEE 7/6**, 8/3, 9/7, 10/5, 11/2

Cabarrus County (VARIOUS LOCATIONS): 2017 dates and locations: 2nd Wednesdays

- 6/14, **NO VETS COFFEE 7/12**, 8/9, 9/13 all at Hendrick Motorsports in Concord
- (10/11, and 11/8 - To Be Determined)

Guilford County, Greensboro @ the Outback Steakhouse, Four Seasons Mall: 2017 dates, 2nd Thursdays 6/8, **NO VETS COFFEE 7/13**, 8/10, 9/14, 10/12, 11/9

Iredell County, Statesville @ the Outback Steakhouse: 2017 dates, 3rd Wednesdays, 6/21, 7/19, 8/16, 9/20, 10/18,

Forsyth County, Winston-Salem @ the PDQ Restaurant (New Location on Stratford Rd): 3rd Thursdays 5/18, 6/15, **NO VETS COFFEE 7/20**, 8/17, 9/21, 10/19, 11/16

Stokes County, King @ the Town & Country Restaurant: 2017 dates, 4th Thursdays 6/22, **NO VETS COFFEE 7/27**, 8/24, 9/28, 10/26,

Surry County, Mt Airy @ the Sagebrush Steakhouse: Mondays - (4 times per year) 6/19, 9/18, 11/20

Rowan County, Salisbury @ Thelma's Downhome Cooking Restaurant in the West End Plaza Shopping Center. Every Tuesday, 9:00 - 11:00 am.

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Success Story

I first met Mr. Santana in October. He was in search of a part time job; however, he had barriers that kept him from obtaining employment. He applied for numerous security jobs, but was never called for an interview. He also applied for a local fast food restaurant because he had talked to the manager about an open position. He hoped the manager would had called him back to hire him, but he never heard from the manager.

As frustrating as times were for Mr. Santana, he was persistent and did not give up. He continued to come into the center searching for employment. I shared information about one of our partners, the Urban League, which hires seniors, 55 and older, for part-time positions. Mr. Santana was interested in this opportunity.

Mr. Santana spoke to Carolyn Hamilton, our representative for Urban League about the training openings that were available. The Urban League decided to place Mr. Santana at the YMCA as a maintenance technician. However, there was a religious barrier for Mr. Santana. After much thought, he went to his church in order to received permission to work for the YMCA.

In April, Mr. Santana was able to begin the training program to build his skills through the Urban League maintenance program. He is happy and his great work ethic has been noticed. The YMCA has entrusted him with a key to the building and this allows him to perform his work to perfection. Everyday he's there, he ensures the facility is ready for the customers of the YMCA. Mr. Santana is grateful and says everyone at the YMCA is very courteous to him. This shows that sometimes we have barriers, but it takes perseverance and determination to overcome them and move forward.

Mr. Santana is grateful for the NCWorks Career Center in Lexington, and all the help that was offered him. Again, this proves the success of this customer was overwhelmingly impacted by the resources and support provided by staff.

Katie Smith

Customer Service and Resource Specialist

Division of Workforce Solutions (DWS)	May Totals
Reemployment Services and Eligibility Assessment (RESEA) Customers	38
Employability Assessment Interview (EAI) Customers	19

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