

Serving Our Community In "Virtually" Every Way

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UNEMPLOYED? FURLOUGHED? REDUCED HOURS?

The COVID-19 crisis has impacted everyone, from every walk of life. What does it mean for you, your lifestyle, your family?
Where do you go from here?



guilfordworks.org

Things may seem confusing right now. It may feel as if your life is being torn apart. You may find yourself out of work, not because of anything you did, but because of circumstances beyond your control.

GuilfordWorks has been hard at work, helping members of our community find work and thrive in their careers.

Now, during one of the toughest economic situations we've ever faced, we are right here, helping you put back the pieces by finding gainful employment and building a lasting career.

So, rather than adding to your stress and searching elsewhere for answers, just...



LOCAL CAREER CONNECTIONS

We have a large network of local employers who come to us for their hiring needs.



Employers also post jobs directly through NCWorks Online, and GuilfordWorks.org/jobs.

Contact us today to get connected to these employment opportunities.

CAREER COUNSELING



NCWorks Career Centers provide career counseling to meet your immediate employment needs.

Our staff is also available to assist you virtually in preparing a professional resume so that you can quickly step into employment.

CONNECTION TO COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Our staff can quickly connect you to essential resources such as rental and utility assistance,

food banks, healthcare services, childcare assistance and more.

ONLINE JOB MARKET AND LIFE-SKILLS CLASSES

Learn how to find the career you want and maintain the lifestyle you desire through our workshops. Our job search, soft skills, and financial management classes — offered online — help you manage and succeed at work and in life.

WORK-BASED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

We help job seekers gain valuable career experience with employers



through **paid internships** and **paid on-the-job training** to prepare them for future opportunities. If you are currently unemployed or not earning enough income, and are seeking employment opportunities,Text:

"JOBS" to 336.882.4141

If you need further assistance, Call: **336.297.9444**















A proud partner of the American **Job** Center*





Zipwhip is a cloud messaging company that uses software linking landline phone numbers to the SMS.

This supplementary service is made available to quickly answer general and instructional questions regarding Unemployment Insurance Benefits, Job Search, and Job Postings.

- Job Seekers seeking employment opportunities, text "JOBS" to 336.882.4141
- For information regarding unemployment insurance benefits, text "UI" to 336.882.4141
- Businesses with immediate hiring needs, text "HIRE" to 336.297.9444

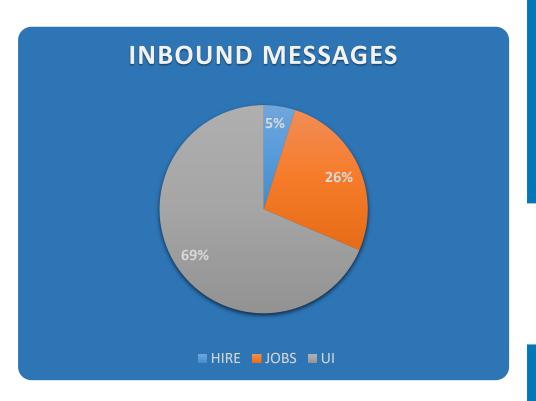


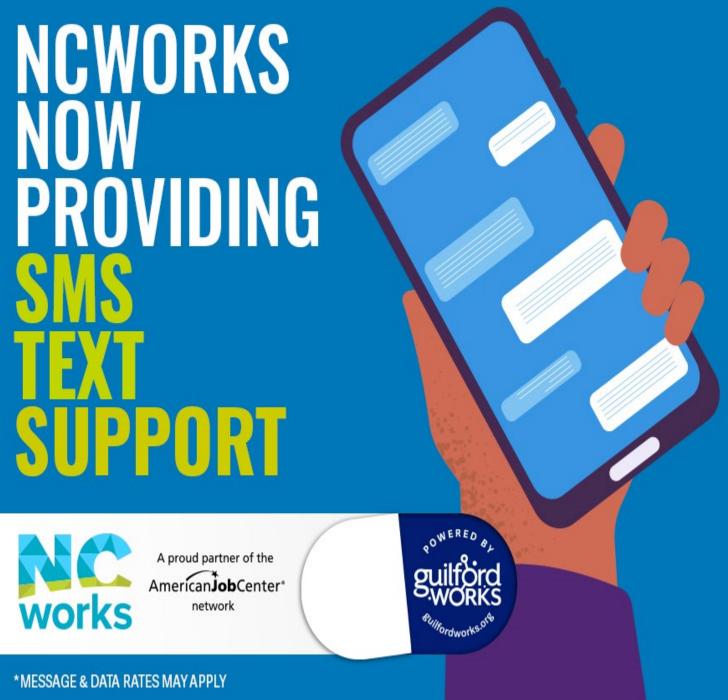




27,186 messages exchanged

- <u>5,465</u> Individuals connected to Unemployment Insurance info
- 2,059 individuals provided employment connections
- **1,760** provided virtual appointments









Business V-Series Webinars

- Seven Series To Date:
 - ☐ Safe Reopening Strategies
 - ☐ Funding for Small Businesses
- Remote Working Cybersecurity
- **COVID Hiring Resources**
 - __and more

- Average webinar attendance is 25.
- Overwhelmingly positive community response!







GuilfordWorks **Business V Series:** Cybersecurity While Working From Home

Guilfordworks Business V Series

"Funding Opportunities for Small Businesses; A Chat with Wilson Lester, Executive Director of Piedmont Business Capital"

May 22, 2020 10:00am



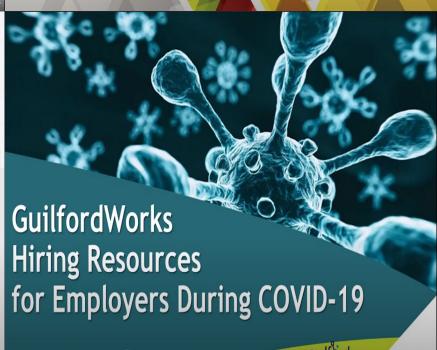
Melissa Smith, Business Services Consultant (Moderator) Guilfordworks



Wilson Lester. **Executive Director** Piedmont Business Capital









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Employer Resources

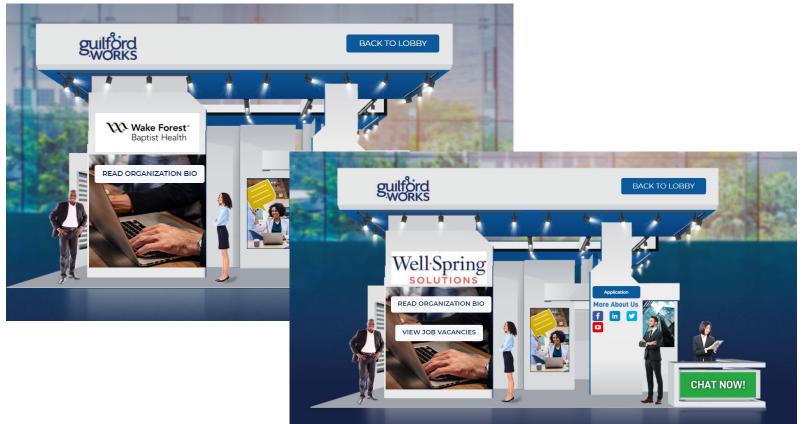


COVID-19









Premier Virtual

Job Fairs

This virtual platform enhanced our reach into markets that our NCWorks Centers were not connected to.

- √ 800+ job seekers registered two events.
- ✓ Top 10 Healthcare Employers operating in Guilford County
- ✓ Nearly 20 Healthcare Employers across the Triad participated in our Regional event
- ✓ Jobseekers were able to submit over 500+ job applications during the virtual event.

VIRTUAL HEALTHCARE CAREER FAIR Suitfords

FEATURING:

Tuesday, June 23, 2020



























































GUILFORDWORKS PRESENTS

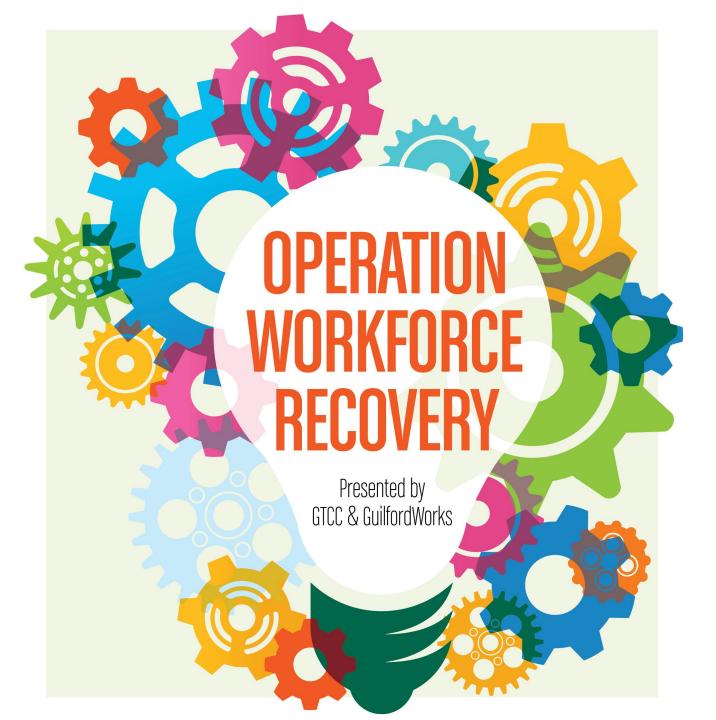


VIRTUAL EVENT

THIS EVENT BRINGS TOGETHER PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS TO MAKE **GUILFORD COUNTY CITIZENS** AWARE OF THE MANY RESOURCES AVAILABLE & ENSURES THAT WE'RE MEETING YOUR MOST URGENT NEEDS, INCLUDING:

HOUSING/UTILITIES | HEALTH & WELLNESS EMPLOYMENT | FOOD PANTRIES | CLOTHING AND MORE!

- **33** Community Based Organizations
 - ✓ **147** Community Members
 - ✓ **453** Booth Visits
 - ✓ **1,231** Chat/Message Exchanges



GET BACK INTO THE WORKFORCE WITH TRAINING FOR IN-DEMAND CAREERS FROM GTCC.

- Advanced Manufacturing (Aviation Manufacturing, Welding)
- Skilled Trades (HVAC/Refrigeration, Construction) Health Careers (Nursing Assistant I, Emergency Medical Technician)
- Warehousing and Logistics

AUGUST 6 | 10 AM - 1 PM

Virtual Resource Fair | Visit: gtcc.edu/workforce-recovery

Financial Assistance for training may be available through NCWorks.





GUILFORD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

☐ **10** Featured Training Booths

57 Community Members Participated

FRE ONLINE TRAINING for job seekers

If you're a job seeker who's been impacted by COVID-19, GuilfordWorks wants to help you increase your skills, and improve your job search. So, we've teamed up with Coursera to offer you **FREE** access to **3000+** cutting edge courses from over **190** universities and organizations... many of which come with a university certification.



Master the most in-demand skills

Impactful Specializations in technology and business



Make progress at your own pace

Bite-sized sessions that fit right into your schedule



Earn a university certificate

Certifications can be shared on your business profile



Sign up Now!

REGISTER AT
guilfordworks.org/coursera







- **257** Individuals Registered for Courses
 - ✓ **410** Combined Course Registrations
 - √ 67 Completions to date

- □ Top 5 courses taken
 - ✓ Excel Skills for Business: Essentials
 - ✓ Technical Support Fundamentals
 - ✓ Programming Foundations with JavaScript, HTML and CSS
 - ✓ Programming for Everybody (Getting Started with Python)
 - ✓ COVID-19 Contact Tracing

Open-Air/Drive-Thru Job Fairs:







- ☐ More than **60** events held
- ☐ Representing **25+** Employers
- \Box In excess of $\underline{1,000+}$ Job Seekers

Media Engagement: 150+ Mentions/Features!































