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Meeting workforce needs.







Upcoming Recruitment Events

- November 6th & December 4th 2024 Community Connections: Workforce Wednesday & Community Resource Fair
- October 23rd Northern Valley Career
- November 7th Statewide Veteran Virtual Job Fair (Registration page goes live September 30th)
- January 9th Statewide Virtual Job Fair (Registration page coming soon)

Register on our List Serv to be notified of future recruitment events.

Employers receive up to \$3,500 to offset wages for new and innovative internship positions

Internships play a crucial role for employers in the recruitment and retention of young talent and for college students to have an advantage in joining the workforce. InternGF is designed to increase the number of local internship offerings, aiding employers' workforce recruitment and retention efforts. InternGF offers up to \$3,500 to offset an intern's salary. Employers can apply for up to two internships per year. Eligible applicants must be an early-to-mid-stage startup or a member organization of the EDC that can offer an internship not routinely found in the Greater Grand Forks region. Startup companies are eligible for a match of 50% and EDC member companies are eligible for a match of 33%.



<u>GrandForks.org/InternGF</u>

Benefits Survey - We want to hear from you!

How much of employees' health insurance do companies in my industry pay? What was the average raise last year in my area? Are other companies still offering remote work options?

To answer questions like these, the Labor Market Information Center is conducting its Benefits Survey from late August to the end of December. If you receive a survey, please take 5-10 minutes to fill it out and send it back. We want to hear from you!

Data from the survey is aggregated and published in the Benefits Guide, which is released in February 2025. To find this year's Benefits Guide, please go to our website at www.ndlmi.com.

Contact Sydney Sweep Bauman at (701) 328-2846 if you have any questions. Thank you for your help!







Grand Cities Fall Job Fair: A Huge Success!

The <u>Grand Cities Fall Job Fair</u> was held September 12th at the Alerus Center in Grand Forks. Sponsored by Job Service North Dakota, Leighton Media, JobsHQ and MN Career Force, the event assisted <u>51 businesses</u> connect to 137 job seekers! Below are some quotes from attending businesses and event photos.

- "Very busy this year, it was great!"
- "Good turn out and some great candidates came through for us."
- "Well organized and easy to navigate."
- "Good traffic the whole time. Nice setup."





Our next large recuitment event is our Veteran <u>Virtual</u> Job Fair scheduled for Novmber 7th. Business registration starts September 30th at https://www.jobsnd.com/VeteransVirtualJobFair.

We will be inviting current and past service members, guard and reserve members and all of their dependents from across the United States.





Work Based Learning as a Talent Pipeline

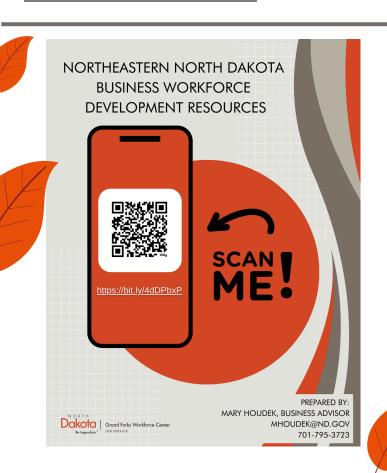
North Dakota Career and Technical Education's partner, Golden Path Solutions, has built a workforce development platform called Compass which integrates with their student career exploration platform, RUReady.ND.gov to help business connect with schools and students.

Businesses can provide their contact information to schools, offer work-based learning, help students understand long term careers and use tuition sponsorships for future workforce development.

How business can get involved in Work Based Learning?

- Provide job shadow opportunities for students.
- Offer a cooperative work experience/work-based learning opportunities to students.
- Host site visits or career exploration days at your work site.
- Provide internship opportunities for students and seek funding through Operation Intern.
- Offer to provide guest speakers for career events.
- Be a part of a local CTE Program Advisory Committee.
- Start a CTE scholarship program.
- Partner with the <u>North Department of Commerce Workforce</u> <u>Development Division</u>.
- Offer Apprenticeships, learn more at <u>ApprenticeshipUSA</u> or <u>Job Service</u> North Dakota.

For more information on Work Based Learning as a Talent Pipeline connect with <u>Grand Forks Public Schools</u>, <u>North Valley Career and Technology Center</u> and <u>North Dakota Career and Technical Education</u>.







60 HR Professionals Learn About Workforce Strategies at HRVIP Day

On August 27th, the EDC in partnership with Job Service North Dakota - Grand Forks, True North Equipment, and UND School of Graduate Studies brought together 60 area workforce development professionals and human resource managers for a day of connection-building, learning, and information sharing for the 2nd HR VIP Day. Presentations included global recruitment strategies, college and university partnerships, graduate-level talent, state and local talent attraction initiatives, engaging with the Grand Forks Air Force Base talent, and high school talent pipelines. Thanks to all who attended and presented!







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