



City of Alexandria Department of Community and Human Services Center for Economic Support

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### Two-Day Job Search Boot Camp (Intermediate)

On-going: Tuesday and Wednesday  
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Do you need to tone and strengthen your job finding skills? Sign up for the Job Search Boot Camp and have your job search skills assessed and improve your job search through training and practice!

-  Whip your resume into shape or create your first resume
-  March confidently into an interview
-  Learn how to build your team of support
-  Find out where to find that first or next job
-  Master your interview skills to get that job

#### Day One

##### Skills Identification

Learn to identify your skills, types of skills needed for various occupations, how and where to acquire these skills and how best to describe them when applying for a job.

##### Job Research

This workshop emphasizes a comprehensive approach to job search: the importance of being focused, knowing where to find jobs, uncovering the hidden job market, networking, and learning what the Career Center can do for you.

#### Day Two

##### Finding the Hidden Job Market

Networking is the game changer for finding the jobs before everyone else does. Identify your network and learn how to leverage this resource to find hidden jobs and increase your chances for getting an interview.

##### Mastering the Job Interview

Learn to connect with the interviewer, express yourself confidently and distinguish yourself from other candidates. Become knowledgeable of current interviewing processes and practices. Know how to answer the most common and important interview questions through interactive, hands-on exercises.

### Two-Day Career Search Tools (Basic)

On-going: Monday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
and Tuesday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This intro workshop is designed for first-time entrants into the workforce or persons who have been out of the job market for a while.

#### Day One

##### Basic Computer Skills Training

Participants will learn basic computer functions such as turning a computer on and off, starting and closing programs and finding help if needed. The workshop also covers using word processing programs, email and searching the Internet.

##### Basic Resume Writing

Learn to create an attractive and effective resume. Pre-requisite: You must bring a copy of your most recent resume **OR** complete the Sample Employment Application which you can find in the Career Center.

##### Completing a Job Application

Gain a better understanding of the importance of completing all questions on a job application.

#### Day Two

##### Job Search

Finding a good position can be challenging. In this workshop, you will learn search strategies that will enable you to find job openings via the Internet, networking and professional associations.

##### Job Search Using Social Media

Having a social media presence is one way to market yourself, to develop networking connections, to join groups and be connected to resources in your field (s) of interest, and to be accessible to others who are seeking a person with your skills, qualifications, interests, and expertise.

##### Dress for Success

When interviewing for a job, first impressions are critical. This workshop offers techniques and simple steps that will assist job seekers in dressing for an interview.

##### The Art of Interviewing

The perfect workshop for those with little experience interviewing or have not interviewed in a while. Topics covered are: **before** the interview – preparation, proper attire, what to take; **during** the interview – body language, common interview questions, do's & don'ts; **closing** the interview– asking questions, next steps in the process, follow-up practices.

### Specialty Training Workshops Recurring Monthly

#### Employment Strategies for Experienced Workers 50+

Employers value the talents that mature workers bring to the workplace. If you are 50 or older, you can refresh your job skills and re-enter the workforce. Learn strategies and resources experienced job seekers can use to launch a job search and find gainful and meaningful employment.

#### Resume & Cover Letter Critique

Matching your skills and experience to an employer's needs is the key to developing your winning resumes and cover letters. Learn to market yourself effectively by revising and refining your resume and cover letter. Bring a copy of your resume as well as job postings you are interested in.

#### Employment Strategies for Ex-Offenders

This workshop addresses the unique barriers to employment faced by persons with a felony conviction. Learn strategies to overcome those barriers during the job search process. Find out what employment resources are available to job seekers with convictions and the incentives for employers to hire ex-offenders. This workshop is open to the public but is most beneficial for those that have a criminal record or know someone who does.

#### Completing an Effective Employment Application

This workshop will demonstrate why it is important to complete all questions on a job application.

#### Ace the Interview

This workshop offers information on current interviewing processes and practices. Participants will learn how to answer the most common and important interview questions through interactive, hands-on exercises.

#### Landing the Right Job for You

Is your job just a way to pay the bills? Would you prefer it to be a source of great fulfillment? If you chose the latter, one way to reach that goal is to ensure that your career matches your personality. This workshop are designed to give participants help in figuring out what you really want and making a realistic action plan on how to get that job.

#### How to Create a LinkedIn Account?

This workshop will teach you how to create a LinkedIn account and give you tips on how to expand your job search through social media.



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# Career Readiness Workshops

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Hours of Operation: Monday — Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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## On-Site Partners Contact Information

Alexandria/Arlington Work-  
force Investment Board  
(WIB)

[www.alexandriarlingtonwib.com](http://www.alexandriarlingtonwib.com)

Alexandria Commission on  
Employment (ACE)

[alexandriava.gov/boards/info/  
default.aspx?id=36532](http://alexandriava.gov/boards/info/default.aspx?id=36532)

Department of Aging and  
Rehabilitative Services

[www.vadrs.org](http://www.vadrs.org)

Catholic Charities Migration  
& Refugee Service

[www.ccca.net](http://www.ccca.net)

National Council on Aging  
(NCOA), Senior Community  
Services Employment  
Program

571.335.4027

[www.ncoa.org](http://www.ncoa.org)

Virginia Veterans Virginia  
Wounded Warrior  
Program

[www.wearevirginiaveterans.org](http://www.wearevirginiaveterans.org)



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
September 29 <b>Orientation</b> 9 a.m.	September 30 2-Day Job Search Boot Camp Part I (Intermediate) 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.	1 2-Day Job Search Boot Camp Part II (Intermediate) 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.	2 How to Create A LinkedIn Account ? 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	3
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