



GUIDE TO EMPLOYMENT RESOURCES

Net working events & websites:

The popularity of networking events and organizations is on the rise as job applicants attempt to broaden their circles of influence while searching for employment. Following are some networking events and websites which you may find helpful with your job search.

Career Connection – Olathe Chamber of Commerce:

18001 W 106th Street, Suite 160, PO Box 98, Olathe, KS, 66051

Phone: 913 - 764-1050

www.olate.org



Career Connection is a program of the Olathe Chamber and responds to the growing problem of unemployment to help connect job seekers and employers who are hiring, by:

- Providing networking opportunities at Chamber Coffees at a special sign-up area so job hunters and employers can meet. Visit www.olate.org for weekly Coffee locations.
- Accepting resumes of those seeking jobs and making them available at Chamber events (including our weekly Chamber Coffees) and at the Chamber office to help companies identify talent for employment positions. To include your resume, contact Dana Ketterling at dketterling@olate.org.
- Offering online employment opportunities. Visit www.olate.org for details and to view company online links to their employment listings.
- Engaging job seekers in volunteer and other events to provide them with opportunities to network.

Job Clubs (in Johnson County):

Following is a sampling of area Job Club locations which provide informal support and networking to anyone seeking employment. Additional Job Club locations for the metro area are available by contacting the Chamber office.

Grace United Methodist Church

LOCATION: 11485 Ridgeview Rd. • Olathe, KS

CONTACTS: Mike Kohler & Quentin Dale • 913-393-1646 • qbdale@sbcglobal.net

DATE/TIME: Second and fourth Saturday mornings • 8:30 – 9:45 a.m.

Johnson County Community College

LOCATION: 12345 College Blvd. • Overland Park, KS • Community Career Resource Center, Carlsen Center, Room 229

CONTACTS: Laura Johannes Meyer • 913-469-3839 • ljohanne@jccc.edu

DATE/TIME: Tuesdays • 12:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Price of Peace Catholic Church

LOCATION: 16000 W 143rd Street • Olathe, KS • Parish Center Basement, in the St. Mark/St. Luke Room

CONTACTS: Fred Fosnacht • jobs@mycatholicvoice.com • www.MyCatholicVoice.com/jobs

DATE/TIME: Wednesdays • 7:00 – 8:15 a.m.

This guide provides a sampling of available resources and is not intended to be inclusive. The Olathe Chamber does not endorse any of the organizations provided in this guide.

Professional Resources/Associations:

There are a number of community resources available to assist job applicants. Consider contacting area professional associations about opportunities to network with individuals in your field and to learn about potential job opportunities, too. Visit each site or call them directly to determine suitability.

- **American Business Women's Association**
9100 Ward Parkway, PO Box 8728, Kansas City, MO, 64114
Phone: 1-800-228-0007
<http://www.abwa.org>
- **Central Exchange**
Downtown location – Phone: 816-471-7560
South location – Phone: 913-253-0900
<http://www.centralexchange.org>
- **Human Resources Management Association of Johnson County – A SHRM affiliate**
Workforce Readiness Committee
Contact: Tami Seaman
Phone: 913-322-4966
E-mail: tseaman@kvc.org
<http://www.hrmajc.com>
- **Johnson County Community College**
Community Career Resource Center
12345 College Blvd., Carlsen Center Room 229, Overland Park, Kansas, 66210
Contact: Laura Johannesmeyer
Phone 913-469-3839
E-mail: ljohanne@jccc.edu
<http://www.jccc.edu/careers/communitycareerservices>
- **UnitedWay 2-1-1**
http://unitedwaygkc.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=blogcategory&id=42&Itemid=118
Dial 2-1-1 on your phone and you can make just one call to find or give help. United Way 2-1-1 serves a 23-county area (including 7 counties in Kansas and 16 in Missouri) and connects people with available community resources and volunteer opportunities. Trained professionals are available 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. Services are free and confidential.

Social networking websites:

The following social networking sites can provide networking opportunities, which may lead to information on job opportunities they may know about. Visit each site to determine suitability.

- LinkedIn - <http://www.linkedin.com>
- Facebook - <http://www.facebook.com>
- Plaxo - <http://www.plaxo.com>
- Brightkite - <http://www.brightkite.com>
- Twitter - <http://www.twitter.com>

State Agencies:

Kansas:

Workforce Partnership - Johnson County, KS

9221 Quivira Road, Overland Park, KS, 66215

Phone: 913-577-5900

<http://www.workforcepartnership.com>

Workforce Partnership is a first stop for many free services for displaced workers and businesses facing layoffs in the future. Workforce Partnership has career centers in Johnson, Leavenworth, and Wyandotte counties offering professional expertise to employers and job seekers, *but services are available to everyone*. They can also be a resource for connecting individuals with other government assistance and community organizations. Job search assistance is free and ranges from resume writing assistance and improving your interviewing skills to helping your focus on a career path.

Employer assistance includes “rapid response” for layoffs, hiring and recruiting, training, retention, and expansion services to businesses of all sizes. Staff will design a unique strategy based on the individual needs of your company.

Workforce Center - Lawrence, KS

2540 Iowa Street, Suite R, Lawrence, KS, 66046-5754

Phone: 785-840-9675

<http://www.workforcecenters.com/lawrence/index.html>

The Lawrence Workforce Center is a single point of entry to a network of employment, training, and educational programs and providers in Douglas, Franklin and Jefferson counties. The Lawrence Workforce Center helps career seekers access the tools needed to manage their careers through information and services, and helps employers find skilled workers.

Employers and career seekers are welcome to utilize the Resource Center at the Lawrence Workforce Center to find qualified employees, check the availability of jobs, or obtain information. Staff members are available to address your questions or concerns.

Missouri:

Missouri Career Center (South) - Kansas City, MO

6801-A Longview Road, Kansas City, MO, 64134-3315

Phone: 816-325-1000

<https://worksmart.ded.mo.gov/index.cfm?frpath=departments/home.cfm?MenuID=5147>

Missouri Career Center - Independence, MO

15301 East 23rd Street South, Independence, MO, 64055-1698

Phone: 816-325-5890

<https://worksmart.ded.mo.gov/index.cfm?frpath=departments/home.cfm?MenuID=5143>

The Missouri Division of Workforce Development and its partner agencies have collaborated to provide Missouri citizens with a workforce system. Several new improvement initiatives have been introduced to drive the workforce system. Learn more about how the Division of Workforce Development is implementing strategies to prepare Missouri's workforce.

Job Banks:

KansasWorks:

<https://www.kansasworks.com/ada/default.cfm>

- A free self service job matching system for job seekers and employers.
- A state job bank that includes postings for businesses and government positions throughout Kansas.
- Offers numerous resources for individuals seeking jobs including career planning links, job search links, and links to other job search resources.

Missouri Career Source:

<https://www.missouricareersource.com/mcs/mcs/default.seek>

<http://www.jobbankinfo.org>

- A state job bank that includes postings for businesses and government positions throughout the state and job matching services for applicants and employers.
- Offers free service to Missouri residents, including job searching, career resources, and skill development, and links to other job search resources.

Federal Government Jobs:

<http://federalgovernmentjobs.us>

- Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor.
- This page will help you locate alternative sites where you can search for jobs or prospective employees, across the nation.

Private-sector Job Banks:

The following sites allow you to search for job postings in multiple occupations and locations. (You may be asked to create a username and password.)

| Private-sector job bank: | Web address: |
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| America's Job Exchange | http://www.americasjobexchange.com |
| Career Builder | http://www.careerbuilder.com |
| Employment Guide | http://www.employmentguide.com |
| FlipDog | http://www.flipdog.com |
| HireMeNow | http://hiremenow.com |
| JOB Central | http://www.jobcentral.com |
| Jobs.com | http://www.jobs.com |
| Monster | http://monster.com |
| Indeed | http://indeed.com |

Metro-area online job listings:

- ***Fox 4 – Working For You***
<http://www.fox4kc.com/marketplace/careers/wdaf-jobs-working-for-you-postings-21809,0,2121503.story>
- ***KCTV 5 – Job Connections***
www.kctv5.com/jobconnection/index.html
- ***NBC Action News – Workers Wanted Wednesdays***
<http://www.nbcactionnews.com/content/financialsurvival/workerswanted/default.aspx>