California’s Workforce Recovery Efforts

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Hard truths
Correlations
Supports California public libraries in communities that:

- Have higher than average unemployment
- Have lower than average literacy rates
- Currently offer adult literacy programs
- Currently conduct job skills training
LSTA grants
- $5000 or $10000 per library for computers
- Two year subscription to BrainFuse’s online career tool JobNow
Requirements for participation

- Regional training
- JobNow promotion
- Link from library’s home page
- Six-month and year end reports
- CIPA compliant
Intermediate Outcomes

- Learn how to find job opportunities
- Improved resumes
- Better prepared for job interviews
- Better equipped for job search
• Increased job search skills
• Employment!
• Better job

End Outcomes
Application deadline: May 11, 2010
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Survey on current library job programs

What services aimed at job seekers does your library currently provide? Choose as many as apply.

- Access to online data bases that help with job seeking skills
- Staff presentations to groups given outside the library
- Library blog devoted exclusively to job seeking resources
- Dedicated staff available to provide specific services for job seekers
- Ongoing regular classes for the public on job seeking held in the library
- Joint programs with other local employment agencies
- Library website pages devoted exclusively to providing job seeking info
- Collaboration with the California Employment Development Department
Webinar:
Best Practices in Helping Job Seekers in the Library (Nov 10, 2009)
http://infopeople.org/training/webcasts/webcast_data/313/index.html
Face to Face Workshop:
Helping Your Job-Seeking Patrons Thrive
During Challenging Times
Sep 2009
http://infopeople.org/workshop/430
Online course:
Jobs and Workforce Recovery:
Libraries Helping Individuals and Communities, May-June 2010
Learning shortcuts (podcasts & screencasts)

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