

Project Compass Showcase: Colorado Libraries Are Providing Direction in Tough Times

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Jefferson County Public Library's E-Train

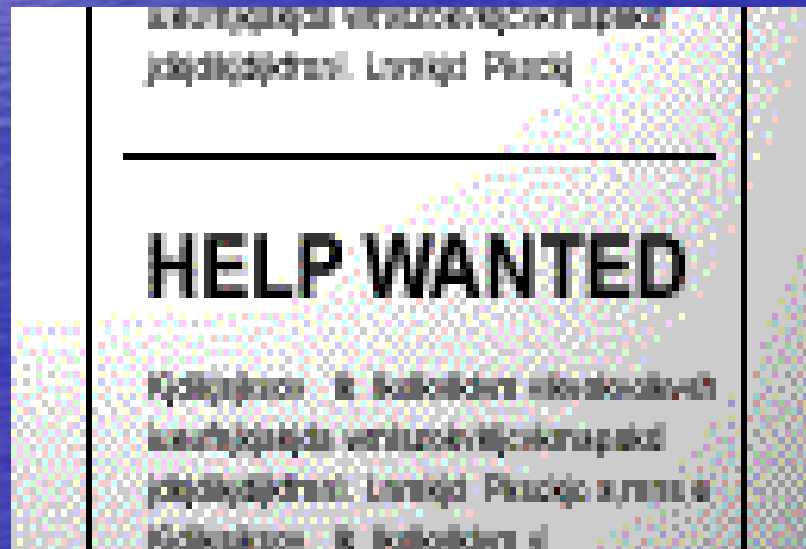
“(The E-Train) helps to bridge the ‘digital divide’ by bringing computers to folks who may not own one, by helping them learn new job skills and employment strategies, and by helping them access the wealth of information provided by the Internet.” Stacy McKenzie



"Power Up Your Job Search"

Pikes Peak Library District

- Worked with Pikes Peak Workforce
- Free Library Resources



"Minding Your Business"

Pikes Peak Library District helps those who want to start a business.

"I didn't realize the library had so many resources for starting a business, this is amazing!"

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"Rev Up Your Resume"

Boulder Public Library



- Partnered with
 - Colorado Career Development Association
 - YMCA Boulder County
 - Front Range Community College
- Purpose
 - Working session with local career counselors to review and provide advice on community members' resumes.

Economic Gardening as an Advocacy Tool

Christine Hamilton-Pennell, Growing Local Economies

Keynotes at 3 Regional Conferences

- How to make your library entrepreneur friendly?
- Why should your library support entrepreneurs?
- How can you help stimulate your local economy?



Growing Local Economies

Training • Consulting • Research

Mesa County Public Library

May = Classes and individualized assistance for job seekers

Partner = Western Slope Chapter of the Human Resource Association

Help = Assistance with all aspects of preparing for a job and interviewing

Follow up = Panel discussion with area Chambers and Workforce Centers



"Libraries Mean Business"

2010 Lobby Day at the Capitol

- Tied in with Snapshot Day – Posters to all legislators "Day in the Life of Your Library"
- Displays with photos and transformational stories relating to business development
- Information on libraries and economic and job development