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CareerSource South Florida Achieves "A+" Rating and Top Ranking in the State 2023-2024 Performance Report

Outstanding Commitment to Advancing Opportunities for Job Seekers, Employees and Organizations

Miami, FL – October 22, 2024 – CareerSource South Florida proudly announces its recognition as the number one workforce development office in the state of Florida, as detailed in the recently released 2023-24 Annual Letter Grade Performance Report by CareerSource Florida, the State Workforce Development Board. CareerSource South Florida achieved an impressive A+ grade with a total score of 101.7 on a scale that tops out at 100.

In accordance with the Reimagining Education and Career Help (REACH) Act, each local workforce development board in Florida receives an annual letter grade based on performance criteria established by the Governor's REACH Office. According to this year's performance update, **CareerSource South Florida received an A+ grade, and was the only workforce region in the state to exceed the 100 percent benchmark** established by the evaluation criteria. This accomplishment demonstrates the organization's outstanding effectiveness in supporting local businesses and connecting individuals with fulfilling job opportunities.

"We are proud that CareerSource South Florida is the only workforce region that has exceeded the 100 percent standard for program year 2023-24," said Rick Beasley, Executive Director of CareerSource South Florida. "This achievement underscores our commitment to enhancing the local economy and improving the livelihoods of Miamians."

The evaluation process, as mandated by the REACH Act, is crucial for assessing the effectiveness of workforce development programs. This process examines key metrics, including increased earnings for program participants, reductions in public assistance, participation in job training programs, business engagement and retention, and compliance with federal performance measures. These assessments empower local boards to identify strengths, address challenges, and enhance services provided to job seekers and employers across the state.

"CareerSource South Florida remains committed to meeting the changing needs of Florida's workforce and will build on this recognition to continue cultivating the most talented workforce in the nation" concluded Mr. Beasley. The goal of this letter grade program is to continue to enhance state's workforce and education efforts aligning them to the needs of the communities the local workforce development board serves.

For more information about the <u>2023-2024 Letter Grades</u>, including the comprehensive metrics and methodology calculations, visit <u>analytics.careersourceflorida.com/lettergrades</u>

About CareerSource South Florida: <u>CareerSource South Florida</u> is a public-private partnership charged with managing workforce development and training policies for Miami-Dade County. CareerSource South Florida provides high quality, customized employment and training solutions to workers and employers in support of economic development. Services are available to everyone at no cost through a network of centers located throughout the region. For more information on CareerSource South Florida, including valuable resources for businesses and job seekers, please visit <u>www.careersourcesfl.com</u>.

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