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CareerSource South Florida Expands Summer Youth Employment Program in the City of Homestead

Miami, April 25, 2019 - CareerSource South Florida (CSSF) today announces the launching of the 3rd Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) in the City of Homestead, Florida. This SYEP is aimed at empowering and preparing youth with the opportunity to gain real-work experience that may not otherwise be available to them and earn wages.

The City of Homestead will invest \$50,000 and CSSF will provide \$100,000 for the program. The SYEP will provide summer youth employment to 87 youth between the ages 15-18. This partnership will provide opportunities for youth of the City of Homestead and is designed to provide entry-level positions with local businesses, private sectors, and community-based organizations. The youth participants will begin with a 20 hour work readiness training such as: resume building, mock interviews, how to complete a job application, financial literacy, life and time management.

A lottery process will select program participants who have met all program eligibility requirements. Participants must reside in the City of Homestead of low-income and/or receives free or reduced lunch.

“Homestead is proud to continue our partnership with CareerSource South Florida,” said Homestead Mayor Jeff Porter. Homestead’s contribution has helped CareerSource South Florida expose youth in summer jobs throughout the City—building skills while helping local businesses and organizations thrive.

“To expand our reach and up skill more youth is invaluable. The Summer Youth Employment Program will allow youth to take on new responsibilities, gain on-the-job experience, transferable career readiness skills, and develop essential social skills that will help them achieve success in the future workforce. Offering meaningful employment options and income to our youth is critical to supporting the efforts in the City of Homestead,” said Rick Beasley, Executive Director for CareerSource South Florida.

About CareerSource South Florida

CareerSource South Florida is a public-private partnership that establishes state and federally funded workforce development and training policies for Miami-Dade and Monroe counties. CareerSource South Florida’s services and resources are available to everyone at no cost through a network of centers located throughout the region.

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