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Summer Youth Employment Program in the City of Miami Gardens

(Miami, March 14, 2018) CareerSource South Florida (CSSF) and the City of Miami Gardens will launch the 4th Annual City of Miami Gardens Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). As a part of this partnership, the City of Miami Gardens and CSSF will each provide a \$150,000 for the program. The SYEP will provide summer youth employment to 173 youth between the ages 15-18.

SYEP will afford opportunities to the youth of the City of Miami Gardens and is designed to provide entry-level positions with local businesses, private sectors, and community-based organizations. The program will begin with a 20 hour work readiness training where youth will be provided job preparation skills such as: resume building, mock interviews, how to complete a job application, financial literacy, life and time management. Participating youth will have the opportunity to meet employers and become familiar with the on-boarding process through hands on experience.

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

“The City of Miami Garden Summer Youth Employment Program is one the City’s most important endeavors. The program allows us to give young people in our community an opportunity to acquire work experience and the opportunity to value a wage that was earned,” said Mayor Oliver Gilbert.

“Offering meaningful employment options and income to our youth is critical to supporting the efforts in the City of Miami Gardens. 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,” said Rick Beasley, Executive Director for CareerSource South Florida.

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