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## SOUTH FLORIDA'S REGION LEADS STATE IN JOB GAINS

Thirty thousand residents placed in jobs since January

**(MIAMI, June 12, 2012)** — Since January 2012, South Florida Workforce Investment Board (SFWIB) has placed over thirty thousand residents into jobs, leading the state in job creation. These placements are an indicator that steady job gains are sustaining the region's economic recovery.

South Florida region gained the most jobs of any metro area in Florida during May, by which nearly 5,000 residents were placed in jobs. This May upswing marked the fifth straight month that the region added jobs.

These outcomes are directly in line with Governor Rick Scott's call to putting Floridians back to work and making the region a more attractive and responsive to new, relocating, expanding and existing businesses, which create and sustain jobs.

"As more business expands in the region, South Florida Workforce will continue to provide training that meets the workforce-skill needs of existing, new and emerging industries and provide businesses with resources that will help them remain competitive, said Rick Beasley, executive director for South Florida Workforce Investment Board.

Trade, transportation and utilities are driving the job gains up in the region with 8,900 jobs added in April, and 8,200 jobs in education and health services. Other sectors also showed improvement with 3,100 jobs added in leisure and hospitality; 1,100 jobs added in professional, and business services and 300 in other services.

# ABOUT SOUTH FLORIDA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD

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

For more information on the Monthly Job Placement Report and a list of Frequently Asked Questions, please contact South Florida Workforce at 305-594-7615 <a href="http://www.floridajobs.org/workforce-board-resources/program-monitoring-and-reports/monthly-regional-workforce-board-job-placement-reports">http://www.floridajobs.org/workforce-board-resources/program-monitoring-and-reports/monthly-regional-workforce-board-job-placement-reports</a>.

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