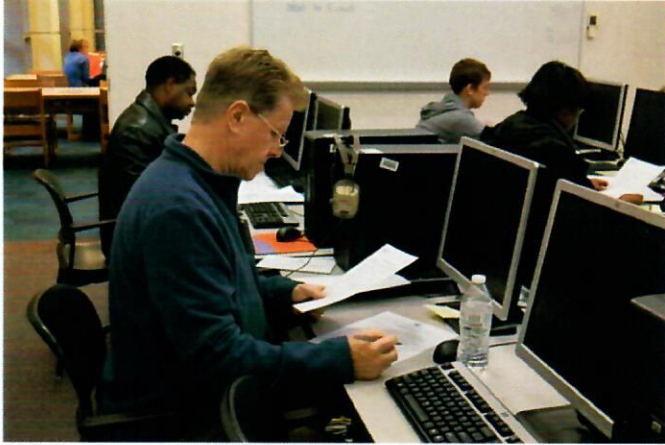




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The Library and OhioMeansJobs are gearing up for upcoming Workforce Development sessions



The Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County is dedicated in offering a wide-variety of workforce development programs and workshops year-round ranging from assisting residents in the beginning stages of their job and career search to preparing those who are ready to advance in their current careers or enhance their skills. These services are provided free-of-charge to local residents.

The Library and OhioMeansJobs staff are gearing up to offer the next series of

workforce development workshops which will run from September through November at the North Central and Reading branch libraries. Monthly workshops cover topics on building resume and interview skills, job search assistance for veterans and assistance on how to create an OhioMeansJobs account for unemployment. In addition, OhioMeansJobs staff will provide one-on-one assistance through job search labs helping customers with job search assistance and questions. A second session of workshops will begin in January at two locations which have yet to be determined.

The Library offers many other programs and services which help residents meet their job and career goals and enhance their skills. Online courses through Lynda.com and Treehouse give workers access to thousands of online courses for free, benefitting local workers and their employers. Local businesses are able to refer employees to the Library to learn specific software, technology, creative and business skills as well as web design and web, mobile and game development.

We also help workers stay connected through computers and free Wi-Fi access at every location. Mobile hotspots are available for checkout and can be used anywhere at any time and laptop kiosks are available at select locations for four hours of in-house use. In addition, the My Librarian service offering customers the option to make an appointment for one-on-one sessions with a Librarian has been in high demand for workforce development assistance with 4,338 appointments made year-to-date.

We are committed in making workforce development and continuous learning a top priority in our Library and look forward to growing our efforts in helping build a strong workforce in Hamilton County.

For additional information regarding Library workforce development initiatives, contact Elaine Fay, Community & Government Relations Coordinator, at elaine.fay@cincinnati-library.org or call 513-369-3166

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