



EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS PINELLAS COUNTY APRIL 2014

Unemployment Rates (%) (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

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CSPIN	5.7	6.3	7.1
FLORIDA	5.7	6.4	7.1
US TOTAL	5.9	6.8	7.1

Average Annual Wage

2012 2011

CSPIN	\$43,960	\$42,388
FLORIDA	\$43,213	\$42,312

- The unemployment rate in the CareerSource Pinellas region (Pinellas County) was 5.7 percent in April 2014. The region's jobless rate was down 1.4 percentage points from 7.1 percent a year ago and was equal to the state rate. Out of a labor force of 448,588, there were 25,353 unemployed residents in the region.
- Pinellas County had the second lowest unemployment rate in the four-county Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater metro area in April (5.7 percent). The jobless rates in the other counties in the metro area were 5.6 in Hillsborough, 6.5 percent in Pasco, and 7.6 percent in Hernando.
- Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater led all metro areas in Florida in over-the-year gains in manufacturing and financial activities in April 2014. The metro area also ranked second in over-the-year job gains in professional and business services and education and health services.

Source: Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Labor Market Statistics Center (May 16, 2014)

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Investor Opportunities Available for 8th Annual Business & Education Summit

CareerSource Tampa Bay and CareerSource Pinellas are pleased to announce that this year's Business & Education Summit keynote speaker will be Anya Kamenetz, Educational Futurist and Lead Education Writer for NPR.

Ms. Kamenetz is an expert on learning and technology with a passion for the complexities of how we will learn, work, and live in the new Millennium.

Investment opportunities for the Summit are still available. A \$5,000 investment includes:

- Moderate an Industry Breakout Session
- Company logo highlighted on CareerSource Tampa Bay and CareerSource Pinellas web pages
- One reserved VIP table for six, premier placement, highlighting company name
- Company introduction
- Company logo included on invitation
- Company advertisement in presentation hand out
- Company name included in rotating projection screen presentation

The 8th Annual Business & Education Summit will be held Friday, September 12, 2014 at the EpiCenter in Clearwater. For more information please contact Marilyn Browne at mbrowne@careersourcepinellas.com, (727) 608-2420.

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Dedicated to Veterans

CareerSource Tampa Bay and CareerSource Pinellas are actively recruiting employers to participate in a job fair dedicated to veterans, **July 13 - 19, 2014**. Hiring veterans not only makes good business sense, but it allows you to express your appreciation for their service and sacrifice.

It's Free! It's Easy!

- Step 1** Register on vjf.careersourcepinellas.com
- Step 2** Post job openings
- Step 3** Review submitted resumes at your leisure. No event staffing needed!
- Step 4** Schedule an interview...make the hire!

For more information visit vjf.careersourcepinellas.com or contact kwilliams@careersourcepinellas.com, (727) 608-2452.

UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

JUNE 4, 11:00 AM
Executive Committee
EpiCenter @ St. Petersburg
College

JUNE 18, 11:45 AM
Board of Directors
EpiCenter @ St. Petersburg
College

JULY 13-19
Veterans Virtual Job Fair
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Mentors Needed for StartUp Quest™ Program



In September, CareerSource Pinellas will begin the second round of Startup Quest™, an entrepreneurship training program that connects teams of qualified participants with successful entrepreneurs and business professionals to learn the steps needed to transform an invention or cutting-edge technology into a product for the marketplace.

For ten weeks, participants will work through the Startup Quest™ curriculum, led by the certified Training Facilitator, and develop simulated businesses under the guidance of their mentors. Each team is responsible for creating a business plan for bringing their technology to market, as well as a pitch for investors. The program culminates in a Pitch Competition where each team delivers their pitch and business plan to a panel of judges as they compete for top place.

CareerSource Pinellas is seeking mentors with business leadership experience to lead the teams.

For more information on StartUp Quest™ visit www.careersourcepinellas.com or contact Kaitlyn Head at headk@careersourcetampabay.com, (813)397-2060.

Nursing Graduates Attend Pinning Ceremony

Over 35 participants of CareerSource Pinellas' Tampa Bay Allied Healthcare and Nursing program recently graduated from St. Petersburg College of Nursing. On May 8th the new nurses were presented with nursing pins by faculty of the nursing program.



The Tampa Bay Allied Healthcare and Nursing program, a partnership that includes BayCare Health System and St. Petersburg College, provides education, training and job placement assistance within the healthcare industry. The program assists BayCare incumbent workers and unemployed nursing students already enrolled in St. Petersburg College of Nursing Program.

Funded with a \$4.8m grant awarded by the U.S. Department of Labor, the Tampa Bay Allied Healthcare and Nursing program is designed to create career pathways for the region's healthcare workforce.

As of March 31, 2014, 30 unemployed participants have obtained their Associate of Science Degree in Nursing and 27 have received their RN License. Additionally, 58 incumbent worker participants from BayCare Health System have obtained their Associate of Science Degree in Nursing and 54 have received their RN license.

For additional information about the Tampa Bay Allied Healthcare and Nursing program visit www.careersourcepinellas.com.