

Central Florida's Road to Recovery



The Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) released the state's unemployment figures for the month of July. The state's unemployment rate was at 11.3%, up 1.0 percentage point compare to June 2020. The unemployment rate for CSCF's region was 15.1% in July 2020, which was higher than the state's rate of 11.3%. This rate was 11.8 percentage point higher than the region's rate of 3.3% during the same timeframe last year. The labor force was 1,384,716 down 21,624 (-1.5) over the year and there were 209,720 unemployed residents in the region.

[Read the Press Release](#)



2020 has thrown a wrench in everything. But even a pandemic didn't deter our summer youth team. Switching things up to a virtual model, this year's program was our largest yet and wrapped up with **1,100 youth** participating, more than **150 employers and businesses** representing

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more than 630 positions. Central Florida youth were able to explore professional internships, college campus tours and career training virtually. The summer youth team led students every step of the way for a rewarding and life-changing experience for many.

But don't just take our word for it, listen to youth Keyla Cabrera talk about her experience and how she's now excited to explore a career in criminal forensics.

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Summer!

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Organizational Excellence



It's official! After months of hard work, trainings, certifications, procedure and process documentation, identifying strengths and opportunities and detailed analysis, we have officially submitted CSCF's Application of Intent for the Governor's Sterling and Georgia Oglethorpe Assessment Award for 2020-2021. Stay tuned for updates in the coming months.

SEPTEMBER IS
**WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT**
MONTH

SHOW YOUR SUPPORT

Labor Day is also the national kickoff to Workforce Development Month (WDM). While the holiday itself honors the American worker, WDM honors the professionals who play a vital role in connecting employers and job seekers. Since March, the pandemic has wreaked economic havoc for thousands of Central Floridians, while the demand for essential workers has grown in healthcare and logistics. Workforce counselors and recruiters are critical to help thousands of affected residents

September is National Workforce Development Month

looking for new jobs, and to assist small businesses to navigate virtual hiring. Remember to thank a workforce professional!

West is the Best – Find out for Yourself



We're excited! The West center move to the West Oaks Mall is completed. It was months in the planning by a dedicated project team - and months of COVID-related delays - but the painting is done, the murals are up, the furniture is in, staff training is completed and the center begins seeing customers for in-person, by appointment only services on Monday, August 31. Please let us know if you'd like to set up a tour soon – we'd be thrilled to set one up for you.

[Schedule a Visit](#)



And speaking of new additions, CSCF Board member and Community Engagement Committee member Chris Wilson welcomed a new son to his family – Fletcher Wilson. Our best wishes to the whole Wilson family!

Congratulations!

**Participate.
Demonstrate.
Contribute.**



Those three board-approved engagement metrics will help deepen engagement to CSCF's vital workforce development services. A tour of our new West Career Center, counts towards your board engagement activities too.

A reminder to please submit your form about your engagement activities for August. Reach out to [Kaz Kasal](#) to help connect you with upcoming opportunities.

SAVE THE DATE!

**UPCOMING CSCF
BOARD AND
COMMITTEE MEETINGS**



- Career Services Committee – Via Zoom | Thursday, September 10 3:00-4:00 pm
- Executive Committee - Via Zoom | Thursday, September 17 9:00-10:30 am
- CSCF Board Meeting – Via Zoom | Thursday, September 24 9:00 – 10:30
- Governance Committee - Via Zoom | Thursday, October 7 9:00 – 11:00 am
- Audit & Finance Committee – Via Zoom | Thursday, October 13 2:30 – 4:00 pm

2020-2021 PY Board & Committee Meeting Schedule

CONNECT WITH US!



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Employ Florida links all of Florida's state and local workforce services and resources through the partnership of the [Department of Economic Opportunity and CareerSource Florida, Inc.](#) There are [24 Local Workforce Development Areas](#) and nearly 100 CareerSource Centers located statewide offering in-person, one-on-one personalized assistance to job seekers. The Employ Florida toll free number is **1-800-438-4128**.

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