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CareerSource Central Florida Receives \$20,000 Grant from Dr. Phillips Charities for Summer Youth Program

Orlando, Fla., --- CareerSource Central Florida (CSCF) announced that it has received a \$20,000 grant from Dr. Phillips Charities for championing opportunities tied with CSCF Summer Youth Program, a workforce development program designed to fuel young adult's career opportunities and educational growth potential.

"CareerSource Central Florida is honored to receive this grant that will be very advantageous to our youth recipients. We believe this endeavor perfectly aligns with Dr. Phillips Charities' areas of interest: Children and Youth Services, Educational Programs and Social Services," said Mimi Coenen, CSCF Chief Operations Officer. "Through this grant, CSCF will be able to serve more youth in need of the program. Their support will provide the opportunity for more local youth to change their lives, create long-term, positive impact on their communities because our young adults deserve the opportunity to pursue their dreams and achieve their greatest potential."

Dr. Phillips Charities is comprised of The Dr. Philip Phillips Foundation and Dr. Phillips, Inc. These two distinct funding organizations are well known in Central Florida for demonstrating support to organizations and valuable community efforts that impact the economy. Dr. Phillips Charities continues to respond to the needs of the Central Florida community by directly touching the lives of thousands of children and families each year.

"Dr. Phillips Charities provides grant funding to Central Florida charities, like CareerSource Central Florida, that respond to the needs of our community and directly make a difference in the lives of children and families. We gladly support CareerSource Central Florida in its goal to provide educational growth and increase career opportunities for our community's youth," said Ken Robinson, CEO of Dr. Phillips Charities.

CSCF Summer Youth Program

Through the Summer Youth Program, young adults, ages 16 – 19, from Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Sumter counties, explore new career fields, tour state and technical colleges, gain real-world, hands-on experiences in high-demand fields, network with career professionals, and become mentored in an educational environment tailored for their success. With individualized case-management, job-training, and placement services, CSCF helps youth become more confident and skilled.

CSCF offers three tracks; Explore, Experience and Accelerate, which help them experience professional paid internships, explore career paths, discover skills or trades, learn about financial responsibility and launch their career journey. The program is unique as it focuses on breaking through distinctive barriers to empower individuals and families to become self-sufficient members of the community and decreases the likelihood of future unemployment and homelessness. The program serves as a unique summer youth program that helps underrepresented youth at a critical time in their lives.

In 2019 summer program, CSCF successfully served nearly 1,000 youth with an economic impact of more than \$1.7M in Central Florida. This year, the goal of CSCF is to serve 1,500 youth with a potential economic impact of \$2.5M in the region.

For more information about Summer Youth Program sponsorship, please contact 1-800-757-4598 or visit careersourcecentralflorida.com.

CareerSource Central Florida (CSCF) is Florida's second largest regional workforce board that is state and federally funded with an annual operating budget of \$30.5 million. CSCF provides comprehensive services to connect career seekers and local businesses at no cost. Services include screening and hiring talent; employee training and education; and no cost skills training and education programs. CSCF provides services at five Career Centers located in Lake, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Sumter counties. The administration office is located in Downtown Orlando. For more information, visit www.CareerSourceCentralFlorida.com.