

NEWSLETTER



Summer Food Program Is Back!

Must be 18 years or older
Transportation assistance
provided until 1st paycheck

Apply

March 1 - March 31, 2024

summerfoodemployment.thecha.org



MEET RENA JONES

Rena Jones is an HCV resident who enrolled into CHA's Employment Placement Services (EPS) program back in March 2023. Rena was unemployed for six-months and was seeking full-time employment with competitive wages. She also registered in the CHA Section 3 WORC portal to assist her job search.

While in the Employment Placement program she received job readiness training, resume and interview assistance, and learned conflict resolution. Her career coach at Employment & Employer Services (E&ES) explored potential job leads and opportunities. Rena knew the type of position she wanted. Rena shared that she was interested in Office Administration.

She was informed that Employment & Employer Services (E&ES) was hiring for a Program Coordinator for the Summer Youth Employment Program. Rena interviewed and was hired. Rena did such an excellent job as a Program Coordinator; she was promoted to an Outreach Coordinator position at Wentworth Gardens.

She is very pleased, grateful, and happy for the assistance she received from her career coach. " My career coach really listened to my needs and wants," she said. She has successfully completed 90 days of employment and looks forward to furthering her career.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

WHAT'S HAPPENING?



We would like to congratulate Cobina Gibson, Owner of G-Squared General Contractors, LLC. Ms. Gibson participated in Track 1 of the WORC sponsored “Back Office Support” Program. This program track was a 12-week construction management cohort that covered subjects like Personal Budgeting and Credit, Business Finances and Marketing. Ms. Gibson shared, “The experience...gave me a renewed opportunity to get back into the construction industry without bias. The ratio of men to women in the industry is remarkable but women as myself are making breakthroughs in record breaking numbers and I would definitely recommend the program to other Resident Owned Businesses because all people are not fit for a 9-5 job and long for that sense of freedom to own and run their own businesses and remove themselves from the stigma of glass ceilings and to realize there is more out there and tons of money to be made.” If you have a company that provides construction services and you would like to learn how to run your business more efficiently and effectively, click the link below, fill out the application form and choose Track 1 – Construction Business Academy now. The next construction cohort will begin the last week of February. <https://bit.ly/CHASProgram>

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

Doing Business with CHA

Tuesday, February 6, 2024 @ 10AM

<https://bit.ly/DoingBizCHA1>

How to Write a Winning Capability Statement

Friday, February 9, 2024 @10am

<https://bit.ly/CapState0208>

WORC Business Academy Information Sessions

<https://bit.ly/BASPR24Info>



Thursday, February 22, 2024

9:00am - 4:00pm

Malcolm X College

1900 W. Jackson Blvd

Chicago, IL 60612

Register at Chicago.gov/2024Summit