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Fond du Lac Job Fair Held April 4 at Fairground Expo Center

The annual Fond du Lac Job Fair will return to the Expo Center at the Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds, 1-4 pm on Thursday, April 4, 2019. Local workforce partners, including the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board and the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, are sponsoring this year's recruitment event held at 520 Fond du Lac Avenue, Fond du Lac.

This will be a major job fair for the area, addressing the employment needs of 2019 high school graduates seeking work after graduation as well as the general public who might be looking to make a career change or seek a role with higher wages in this very tight marketplace. Although the region has seen some recent layoffs, primarily in the retail sector, the most recent unemployment rate in Fond du Lac County stands at a record breaking 2.9% [Non-seasonally adjusted as of February 2019]. Employers will be on site and ready to speak with you.

This fair represents an opportunity for local employers to meet potential employees at all levels of education, experience and interest. Companies are encouraged to offer on-site interviews while local job service partners will have information about additional educational opportunities and job search assistance. More than 75 employers will be recruiting for their open positions. Many Fond du Lac area employers will be present as well as companies from the Oshkosh, the Fox Cities, Beaver Dam, Mayville, West Bend and Sheboygan areas. A list of companies can be viewed at http://www.foxvalleywork.org/jobfair.html. Hundreds of job openings – entry level to highly skilled – are available.

In addition to recruiting employers, the job fair will also showcase apprenticeship training and career opportunities. Several trade organizations as well as the area's technical schools will be available to discuss how individuals can explore the trades and get started in these lucrative fields. The job fair will also host a photo booth so job seekers can get a professional headshot for online networking activities, information about transportation options for those needing to get to work, as well as a raffle for tickets to a baseball game with the local Fond du Lac Dock Spiders team.

For more information or questions about the Fond du Lac Job Fair, please call the Fond du Lac Job Center at 920.929.3900.

To find out about additional job fairs in our area, keep an eye on the Fox Valley Job Center web site at http://foxvalleyjobcenters.com.

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MEDIA NOTICE: Media professionals planning to cover the fair are welcome to attend. Interviews with organizers can be scheduled with Bobbi Miller at <u>bmiller@fvwdb.com</u> or 920-470-0837.

Fox Valley Workforce Development Board (FVWDB) is a not-for-profit working to build a world-class workforce in northeast Wisconsin. Serving six counties — Calumet, Green Lake, Fond du Lac, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago — FVWDB collaborates with a number of state and local agencies to help job seekers gain the skills needed to find employment, and to help businesses find the highly skilled workers they need.

Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD) is a state agency charged with building and strengthening Wisconsin's workforce in the 21st century and beyond. The Department's primary responsibilities include providing job services, training and employment assistance to people looking for work, at the same time as it works with employers on finding the necessary workers to fill current job openings.

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