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Area Not-For-Profit Leader Certified in Offender Rehabilitation

Brent Sanderfoot, the Windows to Work Manager for the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board, has recently been certified as a Lead Trainer in Cognitive-Behavioral Interventions for Offenders Seeking Employment (CBI-EMP). Sanderfoot received the certification in January from the University of Cincinnati Corrections Institute, which led the 4-day training course for Wisconsin-based professionals serving incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals.

Sanderfoot has served as the Windows to Work Manager for the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board in Neenah since 2012. In his role, he counsels inmates inside the Oshkosh and Redgranite Correctional Institutions on steps to take to prepare for a job search after release. He then provides career planning assistance to these individuals for approximately 12 months beyond release with the ultimate goal of helping them avoid recidivism – or going back to prison. Sanderfoot is one of the most successful individuals in the state, with a success rate of 77% - meaning that $\frac{3}{4}$ of the individuals he works with do not reoffend.

“At least 95% of those incarcerated will eventually be released,” said Sanderfoot. “With the average cost of incarceration costing taxpayers \$30,000 - \$40,000 per inmate, per year, that makes this program a huge financial savings for Wisconsin residents. The work the Fox Valley

Workforce Development Board does, in partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Corrections, helps to ensure that those returning to our communities are prepared to do so with a job, a place to live and the support they need to focus on future success.”

Other activities of the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board include programs for workers aged 55 and older, job search strategies and resume building for those who are unemployed or underemployed, and working with local employers and technical colleges to develop training programs to upskill workers for critical roles that need to be filled along the I-41 corridor.

The Fox Valley Workforce Development Board, based in Neenah, represents the six counties of Calumet, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago. The best way to find out about services that are right for you is to visit one of the six (6) Job Centers in Berlin, Fond du Lac, Menasha, Oshkosh, Waupaca or Wautoma, or check out the web site at www.foxvalleyjobcenters.com.

Sanderfoot received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Political Science from the University of Wisconsin – La Crosse in 2002 and his police certification in 2003 from Northeastern Wisconsin Technical College.

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EDITOR: Seeking a quote on workforce issues or a subject matter expert on everything from unemployment, job training, workforce development or job searches? Contact the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board’s CEO Anthony Snyder at asnyder@fwfdb.com.

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.

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