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## **DES and Community Partners Help Arizonans Find Work**

*West Valley Employer Outreach Meeting Tomorrow*

**PHOENIX-** Imagine a room filled with employers and staffing firms who are networking with each other to put Arizonans to work. That's exactly what is planned for tomorrow at an Employer Outreach Meeting hosted by the Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES). Non-profit organizations, government agencies, educational institutions, and employers will be in attendance to discuss their employment needs.

Businesses are invited to join DES for the West Valley Employer Outreach Meeting tomorrow, September 15, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at ITT Technical Institute located at 1840 N. 95<sup>th</sup> Ave, Ste 132, Phoenix, AZ 85037.

"DES and our partners are dedicated to helping put Arizonans to work. We help connect businesses with all sorts of talented people, who may be new to the workforce or a seasoned professional," said DES Employer Coordinator Tim Stump. A highlight from a recent meeting was a mention that the City of Phoenix and Maricopa Workforce Connections partnered to help a man in his seventies secure employment. Because of the individual's experience and background, the job offer included a six-digit salary. Tim confirmed that many high-quality jobs have been filled, as a direct result of the connections made during these meetings.

In addition to the successes with the Employer Outreach Meetings, DES offers employers a variety of other helpful tools including:

- **AZ Workforce Connection**—An online resource designed to assist businesses with employee recruitment, customized training, understanding labor market information, pre-layoff assistance, and employment laws.
- **Employment Service Offices**—DES offers free services to employers including:
  - Writing effective job orders and descriptions
  - Provide assistance with mass recruitment
  - Screen and refer applicants
  - Provide information about employment-related laws
- **Opportunity for Feedback** – Arizona companies are invited to provide feedback related to hiring and retaining individuals with disabilities. The findings will be used to develop a

variety of services to assist companies in identifying and hiring qualified individuals with disabilities. Provide your input by taking the [survey](#) today.

“DES is a great resource for the business community,” added Tim. Through our partnerships, we are able to help Arizona businesses with their employment needs. We can help mom-and-pop shops to globally-recognized firms.”

For more information about how DES can help your business, please contact DES Employer Coordinator Tim Stump at (602) 771-9263 or [TStump@azdes.gov](mailto:TStump@azdes.gov).

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