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Capital Area Youth Workforce Council

SAVVYOUTH CENTER GRAND OPENING

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The Capital Area Youth Workforce Council strives to make resources available to youth throughout area. As a part of that effort, the JobLink Career Center at Raleigh Employment Security Commission was identified as a site for a SAVVYOUTH Center. With Telamon's Project PRIDE program on site and the everyday youth traffic, nearly 100 youth and young adults visit the Center each month.

The SAVVYOUTH Center is tailored specifically to youth, with computers, books, and software to simplify their job

and/or college search. To celebrate the opening of the Center, the Youth Council hosted a grand opening on November 14th. Bob Barham, Capital Area Board Chairman, welcomed guests, followed by remarks by Wayne Beverly, Regional Manager of the Raleigh Employment Security Commission. Chris Droessler, Chairman of the Capital Area Youth Workforce Council, cut the ribbon for the official debut of the Center. Capital Area WIA were also on hand to meet and greet guests and serve as tour guides.



WIA YOUTH HEADLINES: MAXIMIZING THEIR POTENTIAL

Jeovanny A. C.—GED
Takeria C.—GED
Joshua F.—GED
Elaine F.—GED
Christina G.—GED
Brian G.—GED

LaShaunda J. —GED
Melissa J.—GED
Temikta L.—GED
Christina M.—GED
Shawnice N.—GED
Anthony P.—GED

Tiana P. —GED
Anthony W.—GED
Me' shelle W.—GED
Christina M.—GED



YOUTH INFORMATION SITE OPENS IN BENSON, NC

The Town of Benson is home to Capital Area's newest JobLink Youth Information Site. The Capital Area Youth Workforce Council and the Capital Area Board JobLink Committee gave their final approval to expand services to this area. Similar to our other Youth Information Sites, the center offers internet-accessible computers and an array of resource materials to assist youth and young adults in their preparation for employment and education.

The Benson Youth Information Site is located at Not Just Another Community Center, Inc., (NJACC) a non-profit organization with a special interest in providing educational and vocational services to youth and families. NJACC is an ideal location for the Youth Information Site because it complements the tutorial and leadership programs that are currently offered. The computers that are available in the center will also assist students attending GED classes at NJACC. Youth

Council members and residents of Johnston County and the Benson area have commented that the Youth Information Site is just what the community needs.

Although the Youth Information Site is geared to youth ages 14-21, it is available to the general public. For more information and hours of operation, call 894-2756.



SEASONS GREETINGS FROM CAPITAL AREA WIA YOUTH

WIA youth in the Project-PRIDE program with Telamon Corporation ushered the holidays in by volunteering at a local women's shelter in Raleigh. On December 14th, youth prepared and served food to residents and their children.

Earlier in the holiday season, WIA youth in the Yes I Can program with Johnston County Industries delivered care packages to patients in

the children's unit at Johnston Memorial Hospital.

The Capital Area Youth Workforce Council and staff encourage community service and leadership development for youth. Youth and staff are gearing up to plan community projects for National Youth Service Day in April 2008.



YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Mr. Chris Droessler is Chairman of the Capital Area Youth Workforce Council for the 2007-2008 term. Mr. Droessler is the School-to-Career Coordinator for the Wake County Public School System (WCPSS). He has been employed with WCPSS in various capacities for over 10 years. In his current position, he is responsible for coordinating the work of 55 Career Development Coordinators for each of the middle and high schools in the WCPSS.

Mr. Droessler's knowledge and experience working with youth enhances his ability to lead the Youth Council and

provide insight to addressing youth-related issues. He has served on the Youth Council for five years and served as Vice-Chairman for the 2006-07 term. He was recently elected as president of the National Association for Career and Technical Education. Mr. Droessler's passion for a successful youth workforce is evident in the activities he participates in and plans for youth in Wake and Johnston Counties. His vision is that "our career exploration efforts will help high school graduates find the perfect job that they look forward to going to everyday." "We will accomplish this Through career fairs, practice

job interviews, job shadowing, and internships."

In his spare time, Mr. Droessler likes to collect giraffes. He also stays on the "up-and-up" with technology and creating websites.

The Capital Area Workforce Development family salutes Mr. Droessler for his commitment to youth and the Youth Council!



Chris Droessler
Chairman

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