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Deadline Approaching: Apply for the Chicago Codes Bootcamp Today

Labor Day Brings New Opportunities and Workforce Development Success Stories While Facing Unprecedented Challenges of Pandemic

(Chicago) -- As Labor Day approaches, The Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership (The Partnership) announces opportunities for job seekers in Chicago and Cook County and stories of job-seeker success during this challenging time due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The application period closes at week's end for Chicago Codes (Chi Codes), a full time, 10-week coding boot camp launched by the Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership and the City of Chicago, powered by Coding Temple. The program is aimed specifically at Chicago's African American and Latinx communities on the City's South Side. This fully immersive project-based teaching approach gives students the skills necessary to pursue a career in software development or data analytics. For more information and to apply, visit chi.codes. The program is free to qualified applicants. All are encouraged to apply promptly as the enrollment period ends soon.

The Partnership continues to be successful in helping job seekers receive the training and employment they need, as well as ensuring employers have access to the skilled labor force today's market demands. "Labor Day 2020" success stories include:

[Mary](#), who graduated from the Technical Opportunities Program, hosted by Chicago Women in Trades (CWIT) and funded by The Partnership. Mary now works as a mill cabinet apprentice.



[Montserrat](#), who graduated from The Partnership's Opportunity Works program, where she interned for Blue Lacuna 1647, a co-working space and business incubator in Pilsen. Montserrat accepted a full-time position with Blue Lacuna 1647 as a subcontractor.

[Trevon](#), who graduated from the Certified Nursing Assistant Program, hosted by Tukiendorf Training Institute and funded by The Partnership. Trevon now works as a nursing assistant.

The Partnership and the workforce system remain open and operational during this heightened time of awareness due to the COVID-19 virus. All the American Job Centers in The Partnership's network are providing virtual services to both employers and job seekers and most are providing in-person (socially distanced) services by appointment. To find a location near you and schedule an in-person or virtual appointment, visit chicookworks.org.

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ABOUT THE PARTNERSHIP

The Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership (The Partnership) is a non-profit umbrella organization operating the public workforce system for the City of Chicago and Cook County. The Partnership combines federal and philanthropic resources to provide comprehensive workforce development services to employers and job seekers. As the largest workforce development system in the nation, The Partnership has helped place more than 70,000 individuals in employment; collaborated with more than 2,000 employers; and administered more than \$300 million in federal and philanthropic funds. The Partnership's network of 53 community-based organizations, 10 American Job Centers, and three sector-driven workforce centers serves more than 10,000 people annually. Learn more at www.chicookworks.org.