

# NorthSideWorks!

Monthly Update – November 15, 2021

## About

As a reminder, [NorthSideWorks!](#) is our workforce development initiative that we softly launched in July, funded by the Buhl Foundation. We have been focusing on employers that are in the Northside or members of the Northside Chamber and their recruitment and retention goals, and ways to better optimize those goals through information and partnerships with other employers, training providers and service organizations.

- **Employers** - we can help you fill open positions, connect you to funds for training current employees, provide retention resources and more.
- **Service Organizations** – if you are working with a particular population, we can help connect you to appropriate workforce resources.
- **Training Providers** – assist with recruiting and placing students, shape programming, and more.
- **Resident** - we promote Northside job openings, training opportunities, service organizations, and more.

## Job Fair

We are planning a NorthSideWorks! job fair featuring Northside and/or Chamber member employers, details to be determined.

## Spread the Word and Contribute Information

- [“NorthSideWorks! Resources” Google Sheet](#) – Updated weekly featuring Jobs, Workforce Events and Training Programs. This sheet is distributed regularly via social media and to relevant contacts.
- [Website](#) – General information on the program and ways to get more involved.
- Social Media – We have a working [Instagram](#) & [Facebook](#) page. Updated weekly as well - featuring workforce events, jobs, training programs, service organizations and miscellaneous workforce development resources. We are trying to build these audiences, so please consider sharing and inviting as appropriate.
- Take 5 Newsletter – The Northside Chamber sends out a weekly newsletter every Tuesday, that features a workforce section on resources and jobs. Sign up or check out the archive [here](#).

## WEDnet

We have been working to gather solid information on [WEDnet](#) - which gives for-profit employers access to training funds. Here are some details about the program:

- Choose between a variety of providers: WEDnet, third-party or in-house staff
- Choose how/where to receive training: onsite, offsite, or online
- Determine if [eligible](#), then complete online application and MOA, then turn in a training plan to request funds

- Training Plan: submit your own. Must have one created to begin the WEDnet process, can go back and edit after if needed

### Facilitating Connections

We have been consistently meeting with various stakeholders to get information on their goals and the opportunities available. **Our most recent meetings are highlighted in yellow.**

- Apprenti / Fortyx80
- Auberle Northside Employment Institute
- **BankWork\$**
- Carnegie Science Center
- First National Bank
- Huntington Bank
- Junior Achievement
- Kitchen of Grace
- **New Century Careers**
- **New Hazlett Theater**
- **Moonshot Museum**
- PA CareerLink
- Perry High School / A+ Schools
- **Pittsburgh Transportation Group**
- **Propel Schools**
- **Shorty's Pins x Pints**
- Tech Elevator
- **The Children's Museum**
- **Triangle Tech**
- Urban Impact

For more information or to be added to this distribution list:

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