



Community Planning and Economic Development Department

# News Release

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## **Over 20 Exhibitors to Provide Employment and Training Information at RENEW Minneapolis Hiring and Resource Event at Ababukar As-Saddique Islamic Center, June 19**

**June 18, 2014 (Minneapolis, MN)** - On Thursday, June 19, RENEW Minneapolis will be hosting a Hiring and Resource Event for Minneapolis residents seeking information on companies with immediate job openings and career training and certification resources. The event will take place at Ababukar As-Saddique Islamic Center located at 2814 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Minneapolis from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

“Community employment events are great opportunities for outreach with job seekers who may not be familiar with Seward Co-op,” said Elizabeth Liddiard Wozniak, Seward Community Co-op Human Resources Manager. “These events give us a chance to promote Co-op jobs, meet potential candidates, and network with other community employers.”

The RENEW Minneapolis Hiring and Resource Event will feature a variety of exhibitors including the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) – MN Works, VOLT Workforce Solutions and Seward Co-Op. Employment exhibitors will provide information on a variety of industries with immediate job openings including: healthcare, manufacturing, and customer service. Other exhibitors will include local colleges, technical institutions, and nonprofit organizations offering attendees information on accessing up-to-date job training programs, job certification programs, and tuition assistance programs to enhance jobseekers work skills.

The RENEW Minneapolis and Resource Event is open to all Minneapolis residents ages 18 and over. Jobseekers are encouraged to bring a current resume, a list of professional references, and be prepared to interview on the spot for available positions.

“Volt’s many connections with our community based agencies are invaluable, we are able to recruit high quality candidates who have invested their time and energy in to work related training, and it shows,” said Andrea Pendleton, Recruiting Director for Volt Workforce Solutions. “Our clients are very impressed with the employees we are able to source from the community and the recruiting events are a fantastic way to network and recruit!”

The Ababukar As-Saddique Islamic Center offers three free parking options including 1) the center's lot to the west of the building, 2) the lot located at the intersection of 28th Street and 12th Avenue and 3) street parking near the building. All jobseekers should enter the building through the east entrance on 13th Avenue. A handicap accessible entrance is available at the north entrance.

RENEW Minneapolis is a City of Minneapolis Employment and Training program that prepares Minneapolis jobseekers for careers that are in-demand now by aligning employment services with up-to-date training opportunities. The RENEW Minneapolis Hiring and Resource event is being co-hosted by the City of Minneapolis and EMERGE; funding for this event is being provided by Hennepin County and City of Minneapolis Employment and Training. For more information on RENEW Minneapolis Hiring and Resource events or the RENEW Minneapolis program visit the [City's website](#). Three additional RENEW Minneapolis Hiring and Resource events are scheduled for later in the year.

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Attached: Photographs of Wednesday, April 2 RENEW Minneapolis Hiring and Resource event that took place at Brian Coyle Community Center with more than 170 event attendees.