
Employment And Volunteer Opportunities

CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF LABOR-JOB CENTERS

Program Description:

CT WorksSM and Job Center offices provide assistance to individuals seeking employment and to employers seeking workers. Local offices have a computerized listing of available jobs within Connecticut, and employment counselors and staff who are trained in providing employment services to older workers.

Resource centers are equipped with computers, telephones, and faxes to assist with self-service job seeking. Workshops are also held in employment related job search topics.

Eligibility Requirements:

None.

For More Information Contact:

Staff at any of the CT WorksSM and Job Center offices listed below will be glad to provide further assistance. The Internet Address for all Job Centers is www.ctdol.state.ct.us.

Ansonia

555 Main St.,
PO Box 521
06401
Phone: (203) 734-3367
Fax: (203)734-0030
e-mail: dol.ansoniam@po.state.ct.us

Bridgeport

2 Lafayette Square, 06604
Phone: (203) 579-6062
Fax: (203) 579-6288

Bristol

55 South Street
P.O. Box 1629, 06011-1629
Phone: (860) 582-7421
Fax: (860) 584-4798

Danbury

152 West Street, 06810
Phone: (203) 797-4150
Fax: (203) 731-2854
e-mail:Adrienne.Parkmond@po.state.ct.us

Danielson

95 Westcott Road, 06239
Phone: (860) 774-9366
Fax: (860) 779-5848

Enfield

620 Enfield St., 06082
Phone: (860) 741-2139
Fax: (860) 741-4290

Hamden/New Haven

37 Marne Street, Hamden
06514
Phone: (203) 789-7734
Fax: (203) 288-0788

Hartford

3580 Main Street., 06120
Phone: (860) 566-5790
Fax: (860) 566-3902

Manchester

587 East Middle Turnpike, 06040
Phone: (860) 649-3534
Fax: (860) 643-3015

Meriden

290 Pratt St., 06450
Phone: (203) 238-6100
Fax: (203) 238-6696

Middletown

645 South Main Street, 06457
Phone: (860) 344-2993
Fax: (860) 344-2106

New Britain

260 Lafayette St., 06053-4175
Phone: (860) 827-7775
Fax: (860) 827-7065

New London

Shaw's Cove 6, 06320
Phone: (860) 443-2041
Fax: (860) 447-6218
e-mail: dol.newlondon@po.state.ct.us

Norwich

6 Cliff Street, 06360
Phone: (860) 887-3587
Fax: (860) 892-2263

Stamford

1340 Washington Blvd., 06905-0831
Phone: (203) 348-2696
Fax (203) 316-4442

Torrington

Torrington Parkade
486 Winsted Road, 06790
Phone: (860) 482-5581
Fax: (860) 626-6223

Waterbury

249 Thomaston Ave., 06702
Phone: (203) 596-4140
Fax: (203)596-4133

Willimantic

1320 Main Street, Tyler Square
Willimantic, 06226
Phone: (860) 423-2521
Phone: (860) 450-7527

FOSTER GRANDPARENTS PROGRAM (FGP)

Program Description:

The Foster Grandparent program enables volunteers 60 years of age and older to work with special needs children, after receiving appropriate training. Foster grandparents work with disadvantaged, disabled or at-risk children in schools, daycare or Head Start Centers, libraries, hospitals, residential institutions or homes.

Although most Foster Grandparent volunteers are low-income people who receive a modest tax-free stipend, individuals who do not meet the income guidelines may volunteer but will not receive any financial benefits. All volunteers will receive in-service training, transportation assistance, hot meals while in service, an annual physical examination and accident insurance.

Eligibility Requirements:

The Foster Grandparents program is open to men and women 60 years of age and over. In Connecticut the financial limit for volunteers who receive stipends is \$10,300 for a single person; \$13,825 for a family of two and \$17,350 for a family of three.

For More Information Contact:

Greater Hartford Area
Nutmeg Big Brothers and Big Sisters, Inc.
100 Constitution Plaza, 7th Floor
Hartford, CT 06103-1721
Phone: (860) 808-2246
Fax: (860) 525-5437

FGP Southern New London & Windham Counties
401 West Thames Street Unit 201
Norwich, CT 06360-7155
Phone: (860) 889-1365 ext. 218
Fax: (860) 889-6962

FGP West Haven
201 Noble Street
West Haven, CT 06516
Phone: (203) 933-5431
Fax: (203) 933-7078

FGP West Haven/Norwalk RSVP

98 S. Main Street
Norwalk, CT 06854
Phone: (203) 854-1880
Fax: (203) 854-1870

FGP Central Naugatuck Valley
232 North Elm street
Waterbury, CT 06702
Phone: (203) 575-9799 ext. 245
Fax (203) 755-8254

FGP Bridgeport
180 Fairfield Avenue 2nd Floor
Bridgeport, CT 06604
Phone: (203) 394-6529
Fax: (203) 394-6534

JOB TRAINING PARTNERSHIP ACT (JTPA)

Older Worker Program

Program Description:

The Job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) Older Worker Program provides employment and training opportunities to individuals 55 years of age and over. The Connecticut Department of Social Services, Elderly Services Division administers the program and works cooperatively with nine Workforce Development Boards located throughout the State. This cooperative effort ensures that needed services and training are offered to meet labor market demands of the respective parts of the State.

Eligibility Requirements:

To qualify, individuals must be at least 55 years of age and their total income must be less than 100% of the poverty level, or they must be certified for the Senior Community Service Employment Program.

For More Information Contact:

Dee Ana White
Department of Social Services
Elderly Services Division / 10th Floor
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: (860) 424-5293
Toll-free: (800) 443-9946

Andrew Wright
Department of Social Services
Elderly Service Division/10th Floor
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06106
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***Note:** JTPA will end on 6/30/2000 and be replaced with the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Program.

RETIRED & SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAM (RSVP)

Program Description:

The Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) provides opportunities to persons 55 years of age and older to participate in their communities by sharing their knowledge and skills through meaningful volunteer experiences. Connecticut's 12 RSVP programs link retirement-aged people with community organizations seeking assistance. Volunteers provide valuable services in day care centers, nursing homes, hospice programs, hospitals, home health agencies and schools with mentoring and tutoring programs (among other opportunities) as well as being community organizers for special projects.

Eligibility Requirements:

To qualify, a volunteer must be at least 55 years of age. There are no income restrictions. Liability insurance is provided.

For More Information Contact:

Bridgeport

RSVP, Eastern Fairfield
County
263 Golden Hill Street
Bridgeport, CT 06604
Phone: (203) 576-8048
Fax: (203) 576-8330

Bristol

RSVP of Greater Bristol
98 Summer Street
Bristol, CT 06010
Phone: (860) 584-9533
Fax: (860) 582-5224

Danbury

RSVP, No. Fairfield County
2 Terrace Place
Danbury, CT 06810
Phone: (203) 792-8200
Fax: (203) 748-2563

Hartford

Greater Hartford RSVP
555 Windsor Street
Hartford, CT 06120
Phone: (860) 560-5760
Fax: (860) 560-5773

Middletown

Midstate RSVP
97 Broad Street
Middletown, CT 06457
Phone: (860) 347-0236
Fax: (860) 346-1869

Southern New London, Windham and Tolland Counties RSVP

401 West Thames St. Unit
201
Norwich, CT 06360-7155
Phone: (860) 889-1365 ext.
254
Fax: (860) 889-6962

New Britain

Central CT RSVP, Inc.
147 West Main St., P.O. Box
578
New Britain, CT 06050
Phone: (860) 224-7117
Fax: (860) 224-8365

Norwalk

Retired & Senior Volunteer
Program of Southwestern
CT
98 South Main Street
Norwalk, CT 06854
Phone: (203) 854-1880
Fax: (203) 854-1870

Norwich

RSVP, No. New London
County
47 Town Street
Meadows Center
Norwich, CT 06360
Phone: (860) 889-2648
Fax: (860) 892-7098

Torrington

RSVP, Northwestern CT
564 Prospect Street
Torrington, CT 06790
Phone: (860) 482-9102
Fax: (860) 489-5261

Waterbury

RSVP, Central Naugatuck
Valley
232 North Elm Street
Waterbury, CT 06702
Phone: (203) 575-9779, ext.
220
Fax: (203) 755-8254

West Haven

RSVP, South Central CT
201 Noble Street
West Haven, CT 06516
Phone: (203) 933-6180
Fax: (203) 933-7078

SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (SCSEP)

Program Description:

SCSEP offers employment and training opportunities to interested older persons wishing to remain in the work force. The program attempts to match the older worker's interests and abilities with a position in a community services agency. Ultimately, SCSEP's goal is to assist the older worker with the transition into unsubsidized employment.

Eligibility Requirements:

To qualify, the individual must be 55 years of age or over and have an income not exceeding 125% of the poverty level.

For More Information Contact:

Title V Programs

Karen Cornwell
Jewish Family Services
111 Prospect Street, 4th flr
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Lisa Shippee
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Carol Kirby
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American Red Cross
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Connecticut
703 Whitney Avenue
New Haven, CT 06511
Phone: (203) 777-7401

Steve Nargiso
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Litchfield, CT 06579
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Danielson, CT 06239
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Lou Rizzo
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Barbara Davis
City of Hartford
Elderly Services
10 Prospect Street
Hartford, CT 06103
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Senior Citizen Manpower
Programs
263 Golden Hill Street
Bridgeport, CT 06604
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John Mitchell
Seniors in Community
Service Program
Urban League of Greater
Hartford
1229 Albany Avenue
Hartford, CT 06112
Phone: (860) 527-0147

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66 North Street
Danbury, CT 06810
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Kimberly Keane
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Labor Agency
30 West Main Street
Waterbury, CT 06702
Phone: (203)755-8745

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CT Coordinator
New England Green
Thumb
P.O. Box 581
Storrs, CT 06268
Phone: (860) 930-5563

Dan Krevolin
Community Action Agency
of New Haven
781 Whalley Avenue
New Haven, CT 06515
Phone: (203) 387-7700

For further information, contact:

Dee Ana White
Department of Social Services
Elderly Services Division/10th Floor
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: (860) 424-5293 Or (800) 443-9946

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Elderly Services Division/10th Floor
25 Sigourney Street
Hartford, CT 06106
Phone: (860) 424-5298 Or (800) 443-
9946

SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM (SCP)

Program Description:

Senior Companions serve adults with physical and/or mental impairments and contribute a minimum of 20 hours a week. Companions may shop for clients, provide home budgeting or escort their clients to the doctor's office. An important aspect of the program is the human caring and companionship that develops in a sustained relationship. Companions become part of a comprehensive care plan which helps homebound older persons to continue living independently. They also serve in institutions, working with persons who are about to return to their homes. They serve not only as companions, but act as advocates, linking their clients to appropriate community services.

Although most Senior Companions are low-income people who receive a modest tax-free stipend, individuals who do not meet the income guidelines may volunteer but will not receive any financial benefits. All Senior Companions will receive an initial 40 hours of orientation supplemented by monthly in-service training, a transportation allowance, hot meals while in service and an annual physical examination.

Eligibility Requirements:

The Senior Companion program is open to individuals age 60 and over. In Connecticut the financial limit for stipended volunteers is \$10,300 for a single person; \$13,825 for a family of two and \$17,350 for a family of three.

For More Information Contact:

SCP Southern New London & Windham
Counties
401 West Thames Street Unit 201
Norwich, CT 06360-1365
Phone: (860) 889-1365
Fax: (860) 889-6962

201 Noble Street
West Haven, CT 06516
Phone: (203) 933-5431
Fax: (203) 933-7078

SCP Central Naugatuck Valley
232 North Elm Street
Waterbury, CT 06702
Phone: (203) 575-9799
Fax: (203) 755-8254

SCP South Central Connecticut

SENIOR JOB BANKS

Program Description:

Senior Job Banks assist older people in finding employment. They work with older people who want to re-enter the job market as well as those people who have never worked but want to seek employment for the first time. Senior Job Banks collect information on employers seeking older workers and on older workers seeking employment. They then attempt to match the older person to an appropriate job opening.

Jobs registered with the Senior Job Banks are varied and may be full or part-time positions.

Eligibility Requirements:

To qualify, the person must be 55 or 60 years of age or older. *Call the specific program to determine which eligibility age applies.*

For More Information Contact:

Danbury Senior Center
198 Main Street
Danbury, CT 06810
Phone: (203) 778-9123

Enfield Senior Center
100 High Street
Enfield, CT 06082
Phone: (860) 253-6411
Fax: (860) 253-6416

Rose City Senior Center
8 Mahan Drive
Norwich, CT 06360
Phone: (860) 889-6691
Fax: (860) 885-1160

Senior Employment Service
1642 Bedford Street
Suite 106
Stamford, CT 06905
Phone: (203) 327-4422
Fax: (203) 327-4098

SAGE Services of Connecticut
703 Whitney Avenue
New Haven, CT 06511
Phone: (203) 777-7401

West Hartford Senior Job Bank
50 South Main Street
West Hartford, CT 06107
Phone: (860) 521-3210