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## **CareerSource Tampa Bay kicks-off 2022 Summer Hiring registration**

*~Online applications are now being accepted~*

*~760 positions are available~*

**TAMPA, FL – CareerSource Tampa Bay’s** (CSTB) summer jobs program called **Tampa Bay Summer Hires** invites young adults 16 to 24 years old to register for a summer job in 2022.

On January 10, 2022, registration opened to Hillsborough County youth ages 16 to 24. **Tampa Bay Summer Hires** plans on serving up to 760 youth in 2022. Since the implementation of our inaugural year in 2019, CSTB has served more than 1,800 youth, with 130 employers participating in the program.

Young adults are required to complete an online application at the following website: [www.TampaBaySummerHires.com](http://www.TampaBaySummerHires.com). Applicants will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis as funding is limited. **Tampa Bay Summer Hires** staff will contact applicants to review and discuss their application and potential eligibility. Some of the eligibility requirements include meeting minimum family income, must be 16 to 24 years of age, and must live in Hillsborough County.

Applicants can apply for one or all three of the following programs:

- 8-week **Paid Internship** for 24 hours per week earning \$13 per hour
- 4-week **Paid Virtual Exploration** program (\$200 weekly incentive)
- 6-week **Youth Leadership Academy** called “*Young Leaders of Tomorrow*” (\$200 weekly incentive)

Young adults participating in the program will be paid \$13.00 per hour and work a maximum of 24-hours per week. The program will run from June 13, 2022, to July 22, 2022. Participants will also be required to take part in an all-day Youth Summit (to be held at the beginning of the program) where they’ll learn about the hiring process, apply for jobs, and get some tips about being successful at your first job.

“We are thrilled to start another summer program,” said **Tampa Bay Summer Hires** Director Jennifer Wilson. “For many, this will be their first experience in the workforce, and to see how excited they are when they get their first job, it is truly a rewarding experience for all involved.”

During the summer of 2021, CSTB assisted with the support of 112 local employers filled more than 900 positions for young adults to work in various industries. CSTB also received 2,460 applications in 2021 for the summer jobs program.

Employers who participated in 2021 included 78 for profit businesses, 33 non-profit and one governmental agency.

CSTB utilized Temporary Assistance for Needy Families' funding in 2021 combined with additional support received from the Hillsborough Board of County Commissioners to pay for the program.

"This will be the fourth year for our summer jobs program," said John Flanagan, CEO – CareerSource Tampa Bay. "This program has a direct impact on our community in Hillsborough County, putting money in the pockets of young people and giving them real world work experience. The program provides a great start into the 'world of work' and the opportunities available in Hillsborough County."

Businesses interested in participating can also register for an *Employer Information Session* to be held on January 18, 2022, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Employers interested in signing up for the *Employer Information Session* can register by clicking on this link: <https://conta.cc/3z1nlrf>

### **About CareerSource Tampa Bay**

Programs and initiatives are sponsored by CareerSource Tampa Bay and the State of Florida, Department of Economic Opportunity and fully supported by the U.S. Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Agriculture as part of awards totaling \$23,321,277.

CareerSource Tampa Bay works with businesses and candidates to leverage their training, retraining, and competitive opportunities in the workforce. CareerSource Tampa Bay provided 173,319 services to 37,054 active Wagner-Peyser individuals during the program year 2019-2020. CareerSource Tampa Bay, with our five career centers, is the single largest source of job candidates in the region, from entry-level to executive-level candidates. We work closely with all Veterans.

Businesses can access CareerSource's wide range of services that include recruiting, training for new and existing employees, targeted hiring events, and retention support strategies. All resources and services are provided at no cost to both businesses and job candidates. Programs funded through CareerSource Tampa Bay are equal opportunity programs with auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Persons using TTY/TTD equipment use Florida Relay Service 711. A proud partner of the American Job Center network to learn more, visit [www.careersourcetampabay.com](http://www.careersourcetampabay.com).

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