

EAST COUNTY ONE STOP CAREER SYSTEM

MARCH 2003 UPDATE

“ECOS is a community alliance organized to coordinate and jointly manage the
“One Stop” workforce development system in East Multnomah County, Oregon”
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APRIL 2003 ECOS Meetings

One Stop Information Sessions are held at Workforce Connections Mondays at 9AM and Thursdays at 2 PM.

- **Job Developers Network – East:** Thursday, April 3 – 1:30 PM, SE Works, 6927 SE Foster, Jobs Plus presentation
- **Gresham Employer Council Breakfast Seminar:** Topic: Dealing with Angry Customers. Tuesday, April 8th, 7:30 AM, Bogie’s at Gresham Golf Course. Call Lennea Cordray to confirm attendance – 669-7112 #273
- **East County Re-Entry Strategy Team – Tues.** April 9th: 7:30 AM – Call Joan for location: 661-3981
- **Rockwood Business Association – Thursday,** April 10th, 9:30 AM OAME – Rockwood Office – (old Satellite Restaurant)
- **ECOS Finance and Management Meeting:** Thursday, April 17th, 8:15 AM Vocational Rehabilitation – 305 NE 102nd.
- **Weed and Seed Steering Committee:** Thursday, April 17th – 5 – 7 PM Portland Lutheran School Library – 740 SE 182nd
- **Gresham Employer Council Board Meeting:** April 29th, 8 AM –for location call Lennea at 669-7112 #273
- **ECOS Board/Steering Committee meeting** Thursday, April 24th, –8:15 to 10:30 AM, **Portland Habilitation Center host: 5312 NE 148th (Between Airport Way and Marine Drive) Please note: ECOS Board meetings will now be held on the last Thursday of each month.**
- **Rockwood International Marketplace Planning team – Wed. May 7, 3-5 PM – Gresham City Hall, Springwater Trail Room**

ECOS meetings are open to all interested persons. Call ECOS Project Manager, Joan Pasco at 661-3981 if you need additional information. (If you do not regularly attend these meetings, please call to verify that a meeting has not been changed or cancelled.)

2003 Bi-Lingual Job Coach Institute

The 100-hour professional development program began with a two-day retreat at the Menucha Conference Center on March 28-29, 2003. Subsequent classes are held on Tuesdays or Thursday evenings from 6 to 9 and every Saturday from 8:30 to 4:30 during April and May.

This project would not be possible without support from our sponsor

**THE VERIZON FOUNDATION
and irco, for donating a classroom for the 2003 institute!!**

The Institute has been approved by the state as an Eligible Training Provider. More information on this project can be found at: www.bi-lingualjobcoaches.org. The DOL in Washington DC has created a link to the web site as well as posted an article about the institute on their webpage.

Current ECOS Projects:

- Rockwood International Marketplace
- Re-entry Strategies for employing Ex-offenders
- East County Health Care Industry Forum
- Capacity building strategy for health care educators
- Bi-lingual Job Coach Institute

Proposed new projects:

- Training strategy for cosmetology industry
- Expansion of health care initiatives – reentry strategies for RN’s returning to workforce
- Home Based Business strategy for persons with disabilities
- Building capacity for ESL training programs
- Youth strategies for East County