



# Build Independence

## Jobs Plus Newsletter

Hocker Heights & Pleasant Heights Residents



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NEW SAVINGS GOAL

CONGRATULATIONS JOBS PLUS 4 YEARS OF SUCCESS



**Jobs Plus** officially launched **January 23, 2019** with a community celebration. Local agencies and special guest Mrs. Missouri assisted with the ribbon cutting ceremony held at Hocker Community Center. Jobs Plus assessed and employed residents receive a monthly rent incentive; onsite job search and resume assistance; multi-community agency support; local banking services and financial education, HiSET held at Hocker and 1<sup>st</sup> Time home buyers workshops. Monthly onsite recruiting events to assist unemployed residents with job placement.

### LOCAL JOBS – GET HIRED TODAY

**Enterprise Career Hiring Event KCI-** Friday, 6th, 2023 9 am – 1 pm Full-Time Automotive Detailer - position pays \$16 - \$20/hour plus production bonuses; Full-Time Lot Driver - position pays \$16/hour (\$17/hour for evening shifts); Part-Time Automotive Detailer- position pays \$16 - \$20/hour plus production bonuses. **Verizon Wireless** Sales Representative Independence location \$20.00. **Nike** - Kansas City locations - Retail Sales Associate \$18.00. **FedEx Express** \$20-\$28 multiple locations. **Kansas City Zoo** Concessions Attendant \$15.00. **Raising Canes** February 7, 2023 onsite Hiring Event 10 am – 3:30 pm. **Contact: Kevin Orange - Case Manager/Job Developer 816-836-9200 ext. 329** for job search and resume assistance. Jobs Plus Computer Center available by appointment. Contact: Jobs Plus office Hocker 816-836-9200 ext. 348. Pleasant 816-836-9200 ext. 329.

### MEDICARE A & B PROGRAM

**Kim Fritzie, Humana Health Insurance representative will be onsite Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at Hocker Heights 11:00 a.m. Jobs Plus office. Pleasant Heights 1:30 p.m. main level.** Learn the difference between Medicare Parts A & B. Questions regarding health insurance benefits- **Contact Kim Fritzie at [kfritzie@humana.com](mailto:kfritzie@humana.com).** Stop by the Humana display at Hocker and Pleasant Heights for more information regarding your current medical benefits, enrollment information, and free snacks.

### JOBS PLUS CELEBRATES MILESTONE AWARD WINNERS

Hocker & Pleasant Heights residents will be recognized for the annual **Jobs Plus “Milestone”** awards scheduled February 17 at 2 p.m. **Categories: part-time and full-time employment 180+ days; One year of employment; Enrolled/Completed High School Diploma/HiSET; Enrolled/Completed Specialized Training Program; Enrolled/Completed College Education Program; 1<sup>st</sup> Time Home Buyers; Youth Employment/Internship.** Congratulations residents whom achieved one or more awards for year 2022. More details - watch for Milestone event flyers. Contact: Jobs Plus office **816-836-9200 ext. 348. to update** employment status.

### HiSET ENROLLMENT

Enroll in **HiSET** by scheduling your appointment today: **816-313-5578.** Study at your own pace! Attend Monday evenings at Hocker Heights Computer Center. Independence School District’s Adult Education department offers **FREE** classes to the public to help people earn their High School Equivalency Diploma. Completing your High School Diploma offers higher pay wage, progressing career opportunities, improving your job skills, and less risk of being unemployed. Enroll today **816-313-5578.**

## FREE TAX PREPARATION SERVICE

**AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free tax preparation to anyone of any age and cannot afford to pay for tax preparation services.** Starting Wednesday, February 1, 2023 through Friday April 14, 2023 at Westminster Hall 417 W. Lexington, Independence, MO. Office hours 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **Call 816-379-6154.** Appointments scheduled Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Friday only. No tax preparation appointments will be scheduled February 20 or Independence School District snow days.

## JOBS PLUS TELEVISION WINNER



**Jobs Plus Annual “Television”** giveaway for employed Hocker and Pleasant Heights residents held Friday, January 13, 2023. Eligibility for television giveaway required part-time or full-time employment for 12 months without any employer change and paid monthly rent on-time. Lorenzo enrolled in the Jobs Plus program year 2021 and participates in the JPEID Jobs Plus Earned Income Disregard program. **Congratulations Jobs Plus Year 2022 Television WINNER – Lorenzo D.** Employed full-time since October 2021. Way to go!

## PLATINUM LIFELINE SERVICES – FREE TELEPHONE

**Free smartphone with free talk, text and data services offered by Platinum Phone Services.** Qualify for free phone and services with a W2, Medicaid, SNAP, SSI, SSDI, Tax Return, Section 8 or Low-income housing residency. Call 888-589-8841 to register for free smartphone. Save money on your monthly phone bill and receive free **talk, text and data services.**

## START YOUR CAREER – EXPRESS EMPLOYMENT PROFESSIONALS

**Express Employment has office and warehouse/production jobs in the area.** Ride the bus to work! Full-time opportunities available. Contact: **Express Employment 816-229-5627.** Bring your photo ID and social security card to Express Employment and completed the online job application for employment. Begin earning a paycheck weekly with Express Employment located at 3010 Rte. 291 Suite L, Independence, MO. 64057. **Call 816-229-5627 to schedule interview.**

## IN-PERSON HIRING EVENTS

**Looking for work on the bus route? Centerpointe Medical Center scheduled open interviews:** Wednesday, February 22, 2023 - 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Located at Centerpointe Medical Center Main Entrance – Auditorium 19600 East 39th St. S. Independence, MO 64057. Every department recruiting. Medical and non-medical jobs! **Worlds of Fun onsite interviewing:** Saturday (2/18): 11am - 5pm; Sunday (2/19): 11am - 5pm; Monday (2/20): 11am - 5pm; Tuesday (2/21): Walk-In interviews at the park 1pm-6pm; Wednesday (2/22): Maintenance hiring fair; Thursday (2/23): Walk-In interviews at the park 1pm-6pm; Friday (2/24): Walk-In interviews at the park 1pm-6pm; Hourly wage \$15.00 and up. Bring your resume, photo id and social security card.

## YOUTH EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

**McKeever Price Chopper** \$15-18 hourly wage age 14 – workers permit required; **McDonalds** crew member (age 14) \$12.00 per hour workers permit required); **Casey’s General Store** \$12.00 hourly wage; **Papa’s Johns Pizza** \$12.00 - \$15.00 hourly wage, **Crumb! Cookie** crew member \$13-\$16.00 per hour. **Worlds of Fun** walk-in interviews held Wednesday-February 22, Friday-February 24 from 1 p.m. - 6 p.m.

## JOBS PLUS STAFF

**Ann Benson – Program Director** 816-836-9200 ext. 348.

**Kevin Orange – Case Manager/Job Developer**

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**Hocker Heights Community Coach - Vicki McGee**

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