

2024 CRAVEN WORKS JOB FAIR & RESOURCE EVENT

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Registered Resource Partners

Below is a list of resource partners participating in the [2024 Craven Works Job Fair & Resource Event at the Riverfront Convention Center of Craven County, on Wednesday, March 27th from 10am-3pm](#). The first hour will be open for high school students, military veterans, active duty military and military spouses. (Note: This page is updated regularly.)

EDUCATION / YOUTH:

[Craven Community College \(College & Career Readiness\)](#): The College & Career Readiness (CCR) department has a variety of programs that specialize in improving adult literacy skills, obtaining a high school equivalency (GED®/HiSET®), completing your high school diploma, learning English as a Second Language, and educating adults with mild learning disabilities.

[Craven Community College Volt Center](#): Built in 1947, the 7,500-square-foot facility was originally used as an electric plant before undergoing its latest transformation. Renovation at the 4.6-acre site includes parking upgrades, as well as building updates such as four expandable classrooms, a large conference room, office space, and a lab area with an open floor concept that provides an ideal training space. The Volt Center, located near downtown New Bern, is our workforce development training center that offers hands-on learning in various trades. Here, you'll find programs that are constantly evolving to meet the latest needs in our community.

[Craven Literacy Council](#): Building literacy skills to empower adults and families to improve lives. Provides an Adult Literacy program that teaches reading, writing, spelling, math, and digital literacy to adults who read at or below a basic skills level, and/or are interested in starting the path to obtain their high school equivalency. Provides an ELL (English Language Learner) program that teaches oral English, reading, and writing to adults who have immigrated to the U.S. from around the world. CLC also provides citizenship preparation.

[Craven Smart Start](#): As a non-profit partnership in North Carolina's state-wide Smart Start network, Craven Smart Start works together with community partners to provide a variety of services for children, birth to five and their families throughout Craven County. These services focus on raising the quality of childcare; strengthening families; advancing child health and development; expanding literacy; and building networks to develop collaboration and support for families with young children. Created in 1998, Craven Smart Start has worked to build a foundation for learning for Craven County's young children, by providing them with access to high quality early childhood education and with essential health and family support, so they enter kindergarten healthy and ready to learn.

[Eckerd Connects/Next Gen](#): Eckerd Connects Workforce Development is working hard to keep America's workforce educated and engaged. Through a strong network of community services, eligible participants are taught the skills needed to further their education or obtain jobs in today's competitive labor market. Our youth and adult programs serve would-be workers ages 16+.

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[Grand Canyon University](#): Grand Canyon University offers a variety of online degree programs to help you expand your knowledge. Our online courses, offered through many of our colleges, offer a curriculum developed so that you receive the education you need to position yourself for possible career advancement. Backed by the legacy of our traditional campus, GCU is an accredited university with dynamic online academic programs, informed by industry and student learning outcomes.

[Kittrell Job Corps](#): When it comes to your future, you should have choices. Choose your path, and Kittrell Job Corps will provide you with free career training so you can gain the skills and tools you need to be successful. Assist individuals 16 through 24 years old and low income.

[NCWorks Craven Adult Training Program](#): Offers Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) funding for training individuals to enter the workforce. This program offers training services for individuals who may need training for the labor market. Those served include: Unemployed Individuals; Individuals who have been laid off due to no fault of their own; Low Income Job Seekers; and Youth.

[Two Hawk Workforce Services](#): Two Hawk Workforce Services handles the On-the-Job Training for our local area. On-the-Job training (OJT) provides the ideal opportunity to fill an employer's hiring need and provide a skilled worker with a job. Employers are reimbursed for up to 50 percent of the wages for the OJT training to compensate for training costs. This allows employers to help their business save money while turning skilled workers into valuable productive employees.

FEDERAL / STATE / LOCAL GOVERNMENT:

[Craven Area Rural Transit System \(CARTS\)](#): Transportation of the elderly or disabled is available with no fare for life necessity trips. Life necessity is defined as a trip with a medical (including pharmacy) or nutritional purpose. Elderly, for this program, is defined at age 60 or older. Disabled is defined as a permanent disability. Mobility issues limiting or eliminating one's ability to use steps to board a CARTS vehicle is remedied with the use of lift equipment, with a movable platform, to assist. If you will need use of the lift equipment, please inform us when making reservations. CARTS will allow one additional person at no additional fare to accompany a passenger who needs an attendant or assistance. If you are disabled, your origination and destination are within ¾ mile of the fixed route, and due to the disability you are not able to utilize the fixed route service, you may be eligible for ADA Complementary Paratransit Service.

[Craven County Opioid Epidemic Response](#): The Opioid Epidemic Response seeks a comprehensive multi-sector response with approaches that include prevention education, treatment, recovery, and enforcement strategies.

[Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services \(DVRS\)](#): Helps people with disabilities achieve their goals for employment and independence. If you have a disability that prevents you from achieving career success or independence in the community of your choice, DVRS can connect you to services and resources to help you meet your goals.

[NCOA Senior Community Service Employment Program \(SCSEP\)](#): Assists individuals who are 55 years or older and economically disadvantaged. The Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) is available through the Division of Aging and Adult Services and other agencies in North Carolina. The Senior Community Service Employment Program, funded through Title V of the Older

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Americans Act, places individuals 55 and older who are economically disadvantaged into useful part-time community service programs while helping them transition into unsubsidized employment.

HEALTH / MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

AmeriHealth Caritas of NC: AmeriHealth Caritas North Carolina is a Prepaid Health Plan that has been contracted by the state to offer managed care services to Medicaid beneficiaries. For more than 35 years, the AmeriHealth Caritas Family of Companies has been delivering Medicaid health care solutions to the people who need it most. AmeriHealth Caritas is a national leader and committed partner to helping people get care, stay well and build healthy communities.

Healthy Blue: Since 1933, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of North Carolina (Blue Cross NC) has helped millions of North Carolinians get and stay healthy. Healthy Blue is our health plan for Medicaid members. We work with thousands of doctors, specialists, and hospitals throughout North Carolina, and we partner with many local organizations to help you get the care and services you need to live your best.

Craven County Health Department: It is the mission of the Craven County Health Department to build upon the history of public health while responding to the dynamics of the growth of our county and the changing priorities of the health system. We strive to improve the health status, and thereby the quality of life of our citizens by providing: A doorway of access to the medical community; Assistance to employees in their professional growth and recognizing them for their accomplishments; Environmental services to ensure a safe community in which to live; The highest quality services at the most efficient cost; Prevention, screening, treatment, referral and education services

One Community NC: The One Community program shares health education information about stress, anxiety, depression, and general physical health challenges. The program encourages people to seek help for their behavioral and physical health needs. Our community matters and so does the health and well-being of its people.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Integrated Family Services: The mission of Integrated Family Services, PLLC is to assess, coordinate, monitor and provide a wide variety of comprehensive mental health services in a manner that promotes dignity, respect and empowerment to all consumers.

NON-PROFIT

Coastal Women's Shelter: Inclusive, survivor-centered advocacy is at the heart of all we do. We provide safety services and support to a large range of survivors that hold many different identities on their journey to safety and security. We work hard to ensure that underserved survivors who have faced significant barriers in accessing safety understand and own their all-important role on their journey from domestic violence. More than half of the total individuals we serve each year are 17 years old or younger, and about half (48%) are people of color. Nationally and locally, 85% of identified victims are women, most of who are victimized by someone they know. However, anecdotal evidence indicates that the numbers are much higher as most cases—an estimated three quarters—are never reported to the police. In fact, 1 in 4 women will experience domestic violence in her lifetime. Without

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our help, the cycle continues to perpetuate itself: Children who witness violence in their homes are likely to abuse their own partners and children as adults. 1 in 10 men are victims of domestic violence.

Coastal Community Action Community Services Block Grant: The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) provides funds to state and local agencies to support efforts that reduce poverty, revitalize low-income communities, and lead to self-sufficiency among low-income families and individuals. Community Services Block Grant is a movement that was derived from the legislation of the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964, also known as the “War on Poverty.” This act launched during the Presidential Administration of Lyndon B. Johnson. Low income individuals were empowered by serving in decision-making roles to eliminate the causes of poverty by promoting economic self-sufficiency, responding to immediate needs and advocating for the most valuable population.

Greater Duffyfield Resource Hub/Abundant Life Community Services: The Resource Hub is an interagency program that addresses the barriers of transportation and service gaps, by providing satellite offices in low-resource communities, forming a network of essential service providers within the community. This interagency collaboration provides information for critical resources and supports a location where community partners unite to provide a vital system of care. The Hub assists in identifying families that need resources, increase access, and bridge service gaps.

Hesed Place: We provide complex trauma survivors with what they need throughout the stages of a healing journey. While those who are hurting often find the courage to choose a healing journey, barriers often stand in the way throughout the stages of need. We desire to eliminate these obstacles in order to maximize potential for freedom, growth, and meaningful choices within the community and life. We want to do whatever is necessary to provide much needed transdisciplinary Trauma-Informed services and support in order for Complex Trauma survivors to grow from surviving to thriving.

Religious Community Services, Inc.: RCS is a faith-based organization addressing the basic needs of the community by providing food, clothing, and shelter to those who need it most. We have a diverse group of volunteers who come to us from local churches and businesses; all giving of themselves to help others. Our primary programs include the Community Kitchen, Clothing Closet, and Temporary Shelter, but we have other thriving programs to help nourish the whole person: Mind, body, and spirit.

Tried By Fire, Inc.: We are committed to helping women find hope and healing during the tough times through faith in Christ. One of our outreach ministry goals is to help women start over post-incarceration. We achieve this by partnering with other agencies, churches, organizations, and individuals to help provide counseling, education, training, housing, employment, criminal justice compliance and other basic needs. These women need a support system. We realize that life on the outside can be challenging for those who have been previously incarcerated, and without help, many will re-enter the prison population. Sometimes, all they need is a helping hand. We want to be there for these wives, mothers, sisters, daughters, aunts and friends, with holistic tools to help them while they work to get their lives back together.