# How Can We Help You?

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**Veterans***

- **Office for Veterans' Workforce Development** *(Dept. of Labor)* - Job Opportunities & Career Development available to Veterans
- **Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)** *(WorkPlace)* Help for veteran families who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Call (866) 683-1682 for further information.
- **Soldiers/ Sailors/ Marines Fund** - assists CT wartimeVets to meet medical & living expenses. Pete Stevens (203) 332-5648 Office - 752 East Main St., Bpt. See the American Legion website: [www.alctssmf.org](http://www.alctssmf.org)

**Health Care Training***

- **Health CareerRx Academy** *(WorkPlace)* Career pathways for medical fields (training, paid work experience & placement assistance.) Contact Adrene Cory (203) 930-1637 or Megan Perry (203) 610-8121 general@healthcareeracademy.org

**Computer Literacy & Basic Skills***

- **Digital Literacy** *(Career Resources)* A free workshop series covering computer basics through the MicroSoft Office apps. Gene Corchado (203) 953-3275 corchado@careerresources.org

**GED Orientation** *(Career Resources)* - Work toward achieving your GED Diploma - Bpt. Amer. Job Center

**Training for Special Situations***

- **Mortgage Crisis** *(WorkPlace)* Training funds, career/ financial counseling & employment services for those with mortgages 60+ days past due. Desiree Brooks (203) 610-8584 dbrooks@workplace.org or Vernon Downes (203) 610-8592 vdownes@workplace.org
- **MaturityWorks** *(Senior Community Service Employment Program - SCSEP)* *(WorkPlace)* Low-income, unemployed adults aged 55+ can participate in part-time, paid community service providing training & job search assistance leading to unsubsidized employment. John Syzmanski (203) 953-3752 jszymanski@workplace.org

**People with Disabilities***

- **Everyone Works Center** *(Career Resources)* Find out how to access services & adaptive equipment for those with disabilities. Ticket-to-Work - SSDI & SSI recipients can get help finding work.
  
  *For further information*, contact Caitlin Mongillo (203) 610-8683 mongillo@careerresources.org

For an appointment to meet with **BRS**, contact Colleen Gerbino (203) 551-5505 | Colleen.Gerbino@ct.gov

***To apply for training funds, register for a WIOA Orientation at any AJC location***

**Main Location:** AJC partners (Dept. of Labor, Career Resources & The WorkPlace) are at 350 Fairfield Ave. in Bridgeport.

**Satellite Offices:** 4 Fourth St., Ansonia (203-397-6647); 101 Elizabeth Street, Derby (203-734-3443); 141 Franklin Street, Stamford (203-353-1702)
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| **Platform to Employment (P2E) (WorkPlace)**  
Assistance re-entering the workforce after exhausting unemployment benefits | Long-term unemployed (6+ months) should complete & submit the P2E application thru the website:  
[www.platformtoemployment.com](http://www.platformtoemployment.com) |
| **Step-Up (WorkPlace)**  
Employer wage subsidies for small business & manufacturing firms hiring unemployed candidates into full time positions. | Angelo (AJ) Vitale (203) 930-1644  
avitale@workplace.org |
| **STRIVE (Career Resources)**  
3 week prep. & job search for those with difficulty getting work | Bridgeport, Hartford, New Haven and Waterbury  
Please call 860-560-0351 for program sign up |
| **Dress for Success Mid-Fairfield County (Career Resources)**  
Women's interview & work outfits (by referral only)  
- Call (203) 333-6505 for further information or email:  
[midfairfieldcounty@dressforsuccess.org](mailto:midfairfieldcounty@dressforsuccess.org) |
| **Stephanie's Closet (Career Resources)**  
Interview suits for men. To donate or request clothing, call (203) 953-3276 or stephaniescloset@careerresources.org |
| **Former Offenders** |
| **ReEntry Release Program- Center 180 (WorkPlace)**  
Employment & Training Services for young adults 18-24 yrs old. For further information, call Terri Williams (203) 610-6562  
twilliams@workplace.org |
| **Starting Place (Career Resources)**  
Assistance for returning citizens seeking employment. | Ernie Newton (203) 953-3251  
newton@careerresources.org |
| **Youth** |
| **YouthWorks (WorkPlace)** - Helping low income young people ages 16 to 24 discover, plan and prepare for today's growing careers. Includes job preparation training and paid internships. |  |
| **Orientations** are held at the YouthWorks office in Bridgeport and the American Job Centers in Ansonia & Stamford. To register, contact Yvonne Temann @ (203) 416-8487 or ytemann@workplace.org |
| **YouthBuild (WorkPlace)**  
Out-of-school 18-24 yr old, earn a stipend & learn construction trades + GED. Books, tools, uniform & tablet provided. (203) 290-1948 youthbuildrc@workplace.org  
- 242 Fairfield Ave |  |
| **Youth Career Advancement (Career Resources)**  
Use an IPad to learn job search skills. | Richard Bourque (203) 610-6203  
bourque@careerresources.org |
| **Job Corps (DOL)** - Residential training for 16-24 year olds (including GED and training in a variety of fields.) Receive a basic living allowance & placement assistance.  
**Info. Sessions** every Tuesday @ 1pm @ the AJC, Bridgeport - **call to confirm**. (Must arrive 10 min. early - no children allowed.) Contact Robert Velez (203) 953-3272, (203) 443-7463 or Velez.Robert@jobcorps.org |
| **Community Resources** |
| **Community Resource Center (Career Resources)**  
Finding resources throughout the community to meet needs. | Sandra Vining (203) 953-3230  
vining@careerresources.org |