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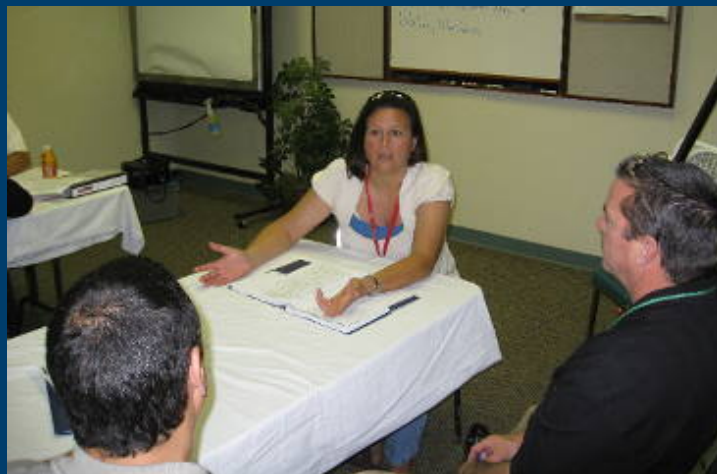
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2009 Vocational Service Update

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The Success Workshops continued on May 2, 2009. Thanks to our guest coaches Jeff Heilesen and Donna Cody for their terrific contributions. In this workshop we began to work on the interview process. We discussed the importance of the interview in allowing the employer the ability to assess the candidates strengths and experience as well as whether or not he would be a good fit in their company. The workshop began with a mock interview that the whole group was able to critique. Then, we looked at different types of interview questions particularly behavioral questions. Each coach was asked a question and modeled an appropriate response based on their experiences in the workplace. Then after the break we divided up into smaller groups and the clients began developing their own answers to various interview questions. The workshop ended with a DVD produced by Men's Wearhouse on "Dressing for Success". This was particularly appropriate as next week our clients will be picking out their suits at Working Wardrobes.





Next week we will be meeting our clients at Working Wardrobes one of our partners in this project. The clients will arrive at approximately 9:30 am and participate in a number of activities planned for the day which will end at approximately 12:30 pm. Those include a workshop on resume' building, haircuts, and a personal shopping experience with our club members. The day will culminate with a group photo of our club members and our clients for this year's Vocational Service project. Graduation is just two weeks away.

Workshops:

March 28: Skills Identification

April 4: Master Application

April 18: "Elevator Speeches"

April 25: Money and You

May 2: Interviewing Skills

May 9: Success Day

May 16: Acknowledgement/Graduation



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