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MADISON COUNTY EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING, EAST ALTON OFFICE, RELOCATES TO WOOD RIVER

WOOD RIVER, IL, July 25, 2015.... Job seekers and employers seeking the East Alton area Madison County Employment and Training Department for business and job seeking services will need to visit them at their new location in the Madison County Wood River Facility at 101 East Edwardsville Road.

On July 30, the department will complete the move from their old location at 612 West St. Louis Avenue in East Alton, where they had been located for the past 5 years, to the new site. The new location is also the home to several other County departments, including the Health Department, Child Advocacy Center, 911, and others. The new offices will be accessed through the east side of the building, towards the rear.

“We are very happy to join the other county offices at the Wood River facility. Our new location will offer all of the same familiar services to the community, and has convenient MCT service right at the building.. Our goal is to continue to provide leadership in meeting the workforce needs of the area”, said David Stoecklin, the Executive Director for the Madison County Employment and Training Department.

Stoecklin also remarked, “We hope to continue our friendly and personal service to the community. It has always been our goal to reach out and assist with the labor needs of business, and while doing so, help those looking for new or better employment opportunities.”

The Madison County Employment and Training Department has offered services to both businesses and job seekers in the Madison-Bond County area for more than 44 years. They are federally funded through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and various other grants. They provide quality assistance in job search, career counseling, job training, resume writing, and offer a diversity of workshops to the unemployed, those who desire career advancement or those needing help in making career choices. A self-service resource center lab is open to the public during regular business hours and staff is always available to help.

Employers may utilize the department to find, assess, and interview prospective employees at no cost. The Department also provides employee assessment services to local businesses as a fee

for service. Area businesses may also benefit from labor market and tax incentive information readily available through the Department.

Serving as a “human resource department” for new and growing businesses in the area, the Department has experienced much success in connecting businesses with qualified workers. Alan Dunstan, Chairman of the Madison County Board, has nothing but praise for the service offered by the Madison County Employment and Training Department. Dunstan said, “The help that is offered by the Employment and Training Department has been consistently at the highest level. I know how they have worked with new businesses to assist in getting workers to staff their operations. And I have heard from these businesses about their satisfaction with the employees referred through the workforce system”.

Dunstan said, “It is critical to our economy to have services available to business that will not only attract new employment opportunities, but also showcase our great workforce potential. The labor force is key to attracting new jobs to Madison County, and the Employment and Training Department are doing great work in furthering our economic base.”

The Wood River Field Office of the Madison County Employment and Training Department is open from 8:30am-4:30pm Monday thru Friday. In addition to the Wood River location, the Department is housed in the Bond County/Greenville Southwestern Illinois WorkNet Center at 209 North Third Street in Greenville.

For more information about Madison County Employment and Training Department and its services, please visit www.co.madison.il.us and click on the Employment and Training Department or call (618) 296-4301.

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