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HRA's Career Services Hosts Fall Job Fair

On Friday, September 29, 441 job-ready Cash Assistance clients joined HRA's Career Services and 54 employers for the Agency's Fall 2017 job fair. The fair brought together clients looking for new opportunities with employers offering entry to mid-level positions in growth industries.

When they entered, clients received a short presentation on networking, interviewing, and job application skills before going out to meet with employers in a variety of fields. This job fair focused on the retail and food services, individual and family care, health and home health care, security and investigation, and social service industries, from the private, not-for-profit, and public sectors.



A client meets with representatives from the NYC Department of Corrections

Clients had the opportunity to network with representatives from well-known retailers like Century 21 and D'Agostino Supermarkets, social-service providers like CAMBA, Safe Horizons, and the Children's Aid Society, and government organizations like the U.S. Customs and Border Patrol. Representatives from New York State Civil Service were on hand to answer questions about opportunities in the State and City government and civil service exams.



A client speaks with an employer at the event

HRA's Career Services Program has adopted a new model that aims to connect clients to long-term career opportunities that take their individual skills into account to provide lasting financial security. In addition to employment, the programs offer expanded training and education opportunities to help clients work toward career goals. Career Services' CareerCompass, YouthPathways, and CareerAdvance providers collaborate with clients to help them reach their objectives through a variety of employment, training, and education programs. In addition to job

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fairs, Career Services also hosts events with training opportunities.



Clients attend a talk on interviewing and job hunting skills before the event



A client and employer discuss job opportunities