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CSTB and BAMA to Host the 'Made in Tampa Bay' Expo for Manufacturing

~ This Expo will feature products made in and around Tampa Bay. ~

TAMPA, FL – CareerSource Tampa Bay (CSTB) and Bay Area Manufacturers Association (BAMA) will be hosting an in-person expo where attendees are able to speak to local manufacturers about their products, how they are made and learn about current job openings in the manufacturing field in the region. The expo will take place on Thursday, October 14, 2021 from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at *CareerSource Tampa Bay 9215 North Florida Ave., Tampa, FL 33612.*

This event will showcase products made in the Tampa Bay area. Manufacturers from across the Bay area will have an opportunity to exhibit and present what they manufacture in our region.

“You’ll experience firsthand the large variety of products made right here in our area, from medical components to food and beverage items to aerospace parts”, said Beth Galic, Executive Director of the BAMA comments. “Florida has a strong, skilled manufacturing workforce which represents 5 percent of the state’s workforce. About 307,500 people in Florida are employed by manufacturers. The average annual salary for a Florida manufacturing employee is \$68,000, about 72 percent higher than the statewide average private sector wage.”

“The manufacturing field in the Tampa Bay area is continuously growing with many career opportunities,” said Kay Jefferson, VP of Business and Community Development with CSTB. “I am excited that CSTB and BAMA are partnering to showcase the vast opportunities and resources that are available to the Tampa Bay area.”

To register to attend the event or for more information, employers/manufacturers and job seekers can visit www.CareerSourceTB.com/JobFair.

About CareerSource Tampa Bay

Programs and initiatives are sponsored by CareerSource Tampa Bay and the State of Florida, Department of Economic Opportunity and fully supported by the U.S. Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Agriculture as part of awards totaling \$23,321,277.

CareerSource Tampa Bay works with businesses and candidates to leverage their training, retraining, and competitive opportunities in the workforce. CareerSource Tampa Bay provided 173,319 services to 37,054 active Wagner-Peyser individuals during the program year 2019-2020. CareerSource Tampa Bay, with our five career centers, is the single largest source of job candidates in the region, from entry-level to executive-level candidates. We work closely with all Veterans.

Businesses can access CareerSource's wide range of services that include recruiting, training for new and existing employees, targeted hiring events, and retention support strategies. All resources and services are provided at no cost to both businesses and job candidates. Programs funded through CareerSource Tampa Bay are equal opportunity programs with auxiliary aids and services available upon request to individuals with disabilities. Persons using TTY/TTD equipment use Florida Relay Service 711. A proud partner of the American Job Center network to learn more, visit www.careersourcetampabay.com.

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