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CareerSource Tampa Bay has programs to assist Hurricane Maria Evacuees
~Job services and training are still available nearly two years after Hurricane Maria hit Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands~

TAMPA, FL – Nearly two years after Hurricane Maria, CareerSource Tampa Bay (CSTB) is still looking to help evacuees after the storm. Hurricane Maria devastated areas of the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico after a direct hit to the islands in September 2017.

CareerSource Tampa Bay is assisting individuals who've been affected by Hurricane Maria. CSTB provides free workshops and job search assistance, but people may also qualify for grants to acquire professional studies, certifications, and provide English classes.

In order to qualify for the program participants must be relocated from Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands as a consequence of Hurricane Maria since September 17, 2017, a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident status, and meet eligibility criteria.

"We are looking for those who relocated after Hurricane Maria and provide assistance with their job search and additional trainings," said Cynthia Diaz who is overseeing CareerSource Tampa Bay's program to provide assistance in the Tampa Bay area. "Believe it or not, after this devastating hurricane in 2017 we are still reaching out to people who went through this storm and are trying to get back on their feet."

The program can provide basic career services such as resume and cover letter writing, recruitment events, networking opportunities, short term training programs, special access to computers, skills training and Employ Florida assistance.

If you know or someone you know wants to learn more about this program click on the following link: <http://careersourcetampabay.com/pages/hurricane> or contact Cynthia Diaz at 813.930.7400 extension 7158. (Hablamos Español) or Email: diazc@careersourcetampabay.com. Para información en Español, http://careersourcetampabay.com/pages/hurricane_sp

About CareerSource Tampa Bay

CareerSource Tampa Bay works with businesses and candidates to leverage their training, retraining, and competitive opportunities in the workforce. CareerSource Tampa Bay serves more than 54,600 job candidates annually. 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.

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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