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CareerSource Tampa Bay closes ALL offices to the public due to coronavirus (COVID-19)

~Offices will close effective Thursday, March 19, 2020~

TAMPA, FL – In an effort to keep the staff healthy and safe from the coronavirus outbreak, CareerSource Tampa Bay (CSTB) will temporarily close all offices to the public. The closings will take effect **Thursday, March 19th** and remain in effect until **Sunday, April 19, 2020**. While the offices will be closed to the public, the facilities will remain operational to employees during this period.

The offices closed to the public include:

- Tampa Center, 9215 N Florida Ave, Tampa, FL 33612
- Brandon Center 9350 Bay Plaza Blvd, Tampa, FL 33619
- Career Prep Center, 2605 North 43rd Street, Tampa, FL 33619
- Administrative Offices, 4902 Eisenhower Boulevard, Suite 250, Tampa 33634
- Plant City Office, 307 N Michigan Ave, Plant City, FL 33563, USA
- Ruskin Office, 201 14th Avenue, SE Ruskin, FL 33570

CSTB staff will remain working and will work with customers online and via the phone. Customers who would like to access CSTB services can do so by going to www.CareerSourceTampaBay.com. Customers should also go to this website's main page for any future updates.

This will also impact onsite partners at these locations. CSTB partners who are co-located at the offices listed above will only be able to do business online or through the phone.

This action is being taken at the direction of the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

“We are taking our direction from the state regarding these closings and limiting access to all of our centers,” said CEO John Flanagan. “By protecting the health and safety of our workforce it is our hope we will be able to provide customers with services well into the coronavirus crisis”

About CareerSource Tampa Bay

CareerSource Tampa Bay programs and initiatives are fully supported by the U.S. Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Agriculture as part of awards totaling \$19,293,411.

CareerSource Tampa Bay works with businesses and candidates to leverage their training,

retraining, and competitive opportunities in the workforce. Career Source Tampa Bay provided 240,269 services to 36,960 active Wagner-Peyser individuals during program year 2018- 2019. 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 Career Source'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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