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## **Employ Milwaukee Hosts Finance and Customer Service Onsite Hiring Event with Over 100 Job Seekers and 10 Milwaukee Area Businesses**

Milwaukee—Today, Employ Milwaukee hosted a customized onsite hiring event for Milwaukee area companies with job openings in the Finance and Customer Service sectors. More than 100 pre-qualified job seekers dressed for success with resumes in-hand, lined up early for the event which ran from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Prior to their onsite interviews, job seekers were welcomed by Vice President of Business Services Peter Coffaro, presented with career ladder information by Chase Bank, and provided with information on the new Pharmacy Technician Registered Apprenticeship and TechHire programs.

Job seekers interested in participating in the onsite hiring event were required to attend one of three mandatory employer-directed pre-screening and assessment events. Pre-qualified job seekers were then identified and awarded a ticket to today's hiring event.

"This is one way in which we are connecting employers to qualified workers," said Earl Buford, Employ Milwaukee President and CEO. "By hosting customized hiring events in high demand industry sectors, we give companies the opportunity to meet with job-ready individuals and grow their workforce."

Companies that participated in today's event included: SKYGEN USA, TCF Bank, Principal Financial Group, Professional Placement Services, Guaranty Bank, Argus Technical Services, US Bank, JPMorgan CHASE, Spectrum and MARCUS Corporation.

Job seeker Toi Jackson came singularly focused. She said, "I came here to interview with US Bank. I have a great deal of call center experience, and I think US Bank would be a great company to work for. I'm impressed with how smoothly the process was, and optimistic about a job with US Bank."

Employ Milwaukee administers an industry-driven sector-based workforce model. This highly effective model promotes long-term economic prosperity and sustainable employment. Through direct employer engagement in high demand industry sectors, Industry Advisory Board participants identify skill requirements and employment opportunities within key sectors. Customized hiring events are just one of the services Employ Milwaukee provides to employers and job seekers in the greater Milwaukee area.

For more information, visit <a href="http://www.employmilwaukee.org/home.htm">http://www.employmilwaukee.org/home.htm</a>.