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## **Employ Milwaukee Hosts Manufacturing Recruitment Event for Stainless Foundry & Engineering**

Milwaukee—On Wednesday, May 17, 2017, Employ Milwaukee, located at 2342 N. 27<sup>th</sup> Street, hosted a manufacturing recruitment event for Stainless Foundry & Engineering, Inc. to fill entry level manufacturing jobs. Approximately 75 job seekers attended the event which ran from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Prior to their preliminary interview, they were welcomed by Willie Wade, Chief Marketing Officer, Employ Milwaukee, learned about careers in manufacturing from Sara Rogers, Business Services Manager, Employ Milwaukee, and were provided a company overview and information on the open positions by Jim Stachowiak, President and CEO, Stainless Foundry.

“By talent sourcing, we were able to provide qualified candidates for Stainless Foundry, a local manufacturing employer,” said Jose Galvan, Director of Business Services, Employ Milwaukee. “It’s these types of value added services we provide for companies looking to fill job openings across the greater Milwaukee area.

Stainless Foundry President and CEO Jim Stachowiak was impressed with the quality of candidates presented. “I believe the way to find employees is to look to the community. I’ve participated in recruitment programs with other companies such as GE. This is a great way to find quality workers,” said Stachowiak. “If you are looking for a job with the potential to move up, this is for you,” he told job seekers.

During the opening presentation, Sara Rogers of Employ Milwaukee provided a snapshot of the manufacturing industry sharing labor market information about the opportunities for careers and current job openings. As of today, there are more than 1,300 job openings in the manufacturing industry in the metro Milwaukee area. Events such as this are connecting employers to qualified workers.

Today’s event was part of an initiative known as the Mayor’s Manufacturing Partnership (MMP), a collaboration between stakeholders including the Mayor’s Office, Employ Milwaukee, WRTP/BIG STEP, technical colleges and economic development groups. The Partnership has two overarching goals: 1) to help eliminate the manufacturing skills gap by training job seekers with the skills employers need to fill actual job openings; and 2) to fill these job openings with trained City of Milwaukee residents who are unemployed or underemployed, who are interested in pursuing a manufacturing career pathway.

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 <http://www.employmilwaukee.org/home.htm>.

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