

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **Wednesdays in September offer Mature Workers Employment Workshops, Job Fair**

(Everett: September, 2008) In recognition of the US Department of Labor's "National Employ Older Workers Week," September 23-29, WorkSource Snohomish County is hosting three workshops and an employment and resource fair targeted at mature workers.

A Mature Worker Employment and Resource Fair will take place on Wednesday, September 24, 2008, from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm in the Floral Hall at Forest Park, located at 802 East Mukilteo Blvd in Everett. The fair is free to attend and open to all job candidates but targeted to mature workers; refreshments will be provided.

Businesses registered to participate in the Fair include ResCare and The Home Depot, among many more, all looking for mature workers to fill positions that require dedication and discipline, and in return offer great benefits.

In preparation for the Employment Fair, WorkSource Everett will host workshops on the first three Wednesdays in September from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm, dedicated to helping mature workers prepare for the Fair and their future employment. Workshop sessions include, on September 3<sup>rd</sup>, Skills and Abilities; on September 10<sup>th</sup>, how to create a modern resume; and on September 17<sup>th</sup>, how to "work" a job fair. Resume workshop attendees should bring prior work history information along with contact information for references. Workshops will be held at WorkSource Everett, located at 840 North Broadway; workshops are free to attend.

According to the US Department of Labor, "by 2014, 41.2% of Americans age 55 or older will be participating in the labor force, making up over 21% of the workforce, and 18 million more Americans age 55 or older will be in the labor force than there were in 1998."

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#### **About WorkSource Snohomish County**

WorkSource Snohomish County provides a wide range of employment and training-related services to local businesses and job candidates. To learn more, visit [www.worksourceonline.com](http://www.worksourceonline.com).

WorkSource Snohomish County is an equal opportunity partnership of organizations that provide employment and training services. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to persons with disabilities.

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