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Workforce development workshop planned at Bridgewater mall

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The Somerset County United Way Young Professionals Group wants to help the area's unemployed and underemployed get hired.

The group will hold a free workforce development workshop on Sept. 26 for those out of work or looking to advance their career, said Michael Sohnen, volunteer chair for the Somerset County United Way Young Professionals group and event coordinator.

"I'm looking forward to helping the people of Somerset County," said Sohnen, 26, who works in sales at CSM Worldwide, an environmental engineering company.

Amy Harris, Bridgewater Commons mall spokeswoman, said the event, which will be held in the mall's center court, will look a lot like a job fair. Each booth will have job skills workshops on subjects such as business attire, community resources, job hunting and search tips, interview tips, professional networking, and resume building/reviewing.

Attendees can meet with human resources, staffing agency and corporate professionals from various industries and businesses to discuss the job-search process, Harris said.

The goal of the workshop is to support United Way's Achieving Life Readiness and Achieving Financial Stability and Independence Initiatives, according to the Somerset County United Way.

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Additional Facts

IF YOU GO

WHO: Job seekers and those wanting to advance their careers.

WHAT: Workforce Development Workshop.

WHEN: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Sept. 26.

WHERE: Bridgewater Commons Mall, 400 Commons Way, Bridgewater.

HOW MUCH: Free.
