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Job Fair to be Held in Lincoln County



JOB FAIR

Thursday, April 14, 2016

10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Lincoln County Fairgrounds
Fairgrounds Rd., Troy, Missouri

The Division of Workforce Development and Missouri Job Center/Boonslick Regional Planning Commission, along with the Lincoln County Veterans Commission, have organized a job fair which will take place on Thursday, April 14 in Lincoln County. The job fair will run from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Fairgrounds Road in Troy, Missouri.

*A ceremony for veterans will open the job fair at 10:00 a.m.
Resources for veterans will also be available.*

As of this time, approximately 40 employers have registered to participate in the job fair and it is anticipated that the number will grow. This is an excellent opportunity for job seekers to be able to speak directly to employers!

Missouri Job Center staff has put together a special workshop for job seekers who would like some tips and techniques that are helpful when attending a job fair. The workshop is free and will be offered on April 6 and April 12 at the Job Center in Warrenton. Please call (636) 456-9467 if you are interested in attending.

*Hundreds
of job
openings!*



For more information or special accommodations, contact Job Center Functional Leader Jill Williams at jwilliams@boonslick.org or BRPC Business Outreach Coordinator JoAnn Toerper at jtoerper@boonslick.org

Director's Update



Spring is here and so is cleanup time. BRPC staff have been coordinating disaster recovery debris removal efforts with Lincoln and Montgomery counties, as well as the Northeast Workforce Development Board and state officials on grant-funded projects.

BRPC has been busy with other projects including a housing study for the Greater Montgomery County Economic Development Council and GIS mapping projects with High Hill, Montgomery City, Montgomery County, and Warren County. Staff continue to work with communities on grant applications, project planning, grant administration, recycling and infrastruc-

ture projects; as well as regional initiatives in economic development, transportation and freight, hazard mitigation, entrepreneurial advancement, and business outreach.

The Department of Natural Resources has funding available for Outdoor Recreation Grants. The application deadline is April 22. Also, the Department of Economic Development Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program has funding available for infrastructure and economic development projects.

BRPC staff attended the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) Statewide Transportation

Planners meeting to review financial forecasts for the upcoming fiscal years and to discuss grant programs. In the fall of 2016, MoDOT will have funding available for the Transportation Alternatives Program and Traffic Engineering Assistance Program. We will disseminate information on these opportunities as soon as it is released. The next BRPC Transportation Advisory Committee meeting is set for May 19.

BRPC is here for you. If you require more information or would like a staff member to attend one of your meetings, then please don't hesitate to contact the office at (636) 456-3473 or email ceggen@boonslick.org.

FS Leasing—Public Sector Financing Presentation

Terry Luetkemeyer, Donna Martin and Peggy Rodgers of First State Community Bank attended the Boonslick Regional Planning Commission general membership meeting Monday, March 28, 2016. They presented information about lease purchase financing.

A tax-exempt lease-purchase agreement is an installment purchase with an option to purchase for a nominal value. Such leases are available for political subdivisions in the State of Missouri, which includes cities, counties and other government entities. Tax exempt financing is typically utilized for equipment; however, it may also be used for implementation of a specific project, to purchase property or to expand existing facilities. Benefits of using a tax-exempt lease include saving capital dollars for projects when leasing is not an option, improvement of cash flow, and spreading the cost of an asset over its useful life.

If you are interested in more information about FS Leasing, you may contact Peggy Rodgers, president of the Warrenton branch at (636) 456-6176 or Brad Schuster, president of the Wright City branch at (636) 745-3337.

BRPC also has extra copies of the information presented. Contact the office at (636) 456-3473 if you would like a copy.



City of Truesdale Clerk Receives Award from Missouri Rural Water Association

City of Truesdale Clerk MaryLou Rainwater received the 2016 Outstanding Service Award from the Missouri Rural Water Association at its annual conference in Branson, Missouri earlier this month. According to information from the organization, the outstanding service award is given only when someone has performed exemplary work. MaryLou earned the award due to her extraordinary efforts regarding drug take-back programs.



MaryLou has been dedicated to seeing that unused or unwanted medication is disposed of properly. Many people flush these medications, not realizing that they harm our water supply. Proper disposal will also reduce the possibility that the drugs are abused or cause accidental poisoning.

The City of Truesdale had participated in drug take-back events in the past. Upon finding out that these events would no longer be offered, staff went to work writing letters about their importance. Mary Lou shared that our Federal legislators, including the office of Senator Roy Blunt, were very supportive. As a result, the city will hold a drug take-back event on Saturday, April 30, 2016 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at City Hall. This event is open to all area residents.

Truesdale also has a permanent collection box for unused medication at City Hall. Area residents are welcome to drop off items during the city's business hours. For information, please call (636) 456-3166.

MaryLou stresses that the work in dealing with this important issue is a team effort which involves the support of City of Truesdale Mayor Murray Bruer, the board of aldermen, the police department and the Missouri Rural Water Association. We thank them for their efforts and offer our congratulations to MaryLou on receiving this prestigious award!

BRPC Staff Gives Presentation about Recycling to Local Group



The United Methodist Women of Warrenton contacted Boonslick Regional Planning Commission and requested a presentation regarding recycling. BRPC Project Coordinator Chuck Eichmeyer, who serves as the planner for the Region I Solid Waste Management District, spoke to the group on Tuesday March 22, 2016.

Chuck shared information about the East Central Missouri Recycling Center which serves Franklin, Lincoln, Montgomery and Warren counties. He explained what items are accepted and why some items, including tires, televisions and computer monitors, require a fee. Chuck also spoke to the group about the importance of reducing waste and finding a way to reuse objects. The ladies in the group had been reusing items to make Easter decorations such as the one shown at the right.



“There were many questions and the group had a good discussion”, said Chuck. “They had a genuine desire to be good stewards of the Earth.” Please call (636) 456-3473 or contact him at chucke@boonslick.org or Recycling Center Manager Chris Walch at cwalch@boonslick.org if you would like information about the recycling center.

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Eastern Missouri Transportation Coordinating Council Meets

The first quarterly meeting of the Eastern Missouri Transportation Coordinating Council was held on March 15, 2016 at Boonslick Regional Planning Commission. BRPC Mobility Management Coordinator Deana Dothage led the group in its work. They discussed the redesign of the MO RIDES brochure and website. The website is being changed to make it ADA compliant. The committee also discussed a grant application to establish a volunteer driver program as a part of MO RIDES. If you have any questions or would like information about the program, contact Deana at dbothage@boonslick.org



Earth Day 2016



Friday, April 22 is Earth Day. The movement was started in 1970 as a day of education about environmental issues. The East Central Missouri Recycling Center, operated by BRPC, was established on Earth Day 2010. Since opening, approximately 1300 tons of material has been recovered for reuse. For a list of items accepted, visit boonslick.org/recycling-center/

Calendar of Events - Contact us for More Information

April

- 14 Job Fair, Lincoln County Fairgrounds, Troy, Missouri, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- 20 Community Agencies in Partnership meeting, BRPC, 9:30 a.m.
- 21 Youth Workshop, BRPC, 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- 22 Earth Day 2016

May

- 9 BRPC office closed in observance of Truman Day
- 10 East Central Missouri SWMD Executive Board meeting, BRPC, 11:30 a.m.
- 19 BRPC Transportation Advisory Committee meeting, BRPC, 11:00 a.m.

Job Center Workshop Calendar

The Missouri Job Center in Warrenton offers free workshops for job seekers each month. Please contact us at (636) 456-9467 if you are interested in a calendar of events.

