



## Monthly Digest: January 2020

*CareerSource Pasco Hernando News, Events and Highlights*

---

### In the News



### CareerSource Pasco Hernando's *Phoenix Rising Program*

Pasco and Hernando County (Region 16), Fla. – In October 2018, CareerSource Pasco Hernando in partnership with Eckerd Connects launched its first cohort of Phoenix Rising, an alternative education and construction trade program which seeks to revitalize economically challenged areas in Pasco and Hernando counties. This program constructs a positive difference in the lives of young adults between the ages of 18-24. Through Phoenix Rising, income-eligible participants receive hands-on and classroom training designed to develop workforce skills that lead to employment. Additionally, participants may earn their high school diploma, as well as industry-recognized certifications, such as OSHA Forklift Operator, OSHA 10 hour, NCCER Construction Site Safety, NCCER Hand Tools and Materials Handling, HAZMAT and HAZCOM, and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). These industry related skills are taught by Workforce Industrial Training's James Coleman, an OSHA and NCCER Master Trainer.

Community partnerships are invaluable to the program success, and in Hernando County we partnered with Nature Coast Builders Association (NCBA) in order to

gain exposure with local construction-based employers. The support of NCBA's Past President, Bill Paul was vital in offering participants a unique learning experience with a local framing company, Eugene Concklin's Shiloh Construction.

Year to date, all 33 enrolled participants from three (3) separate cohorts have successfully completed Phoenix Rising, fulfilling over 6,000 hours of paid work experience. Participants learned skills such as framing and trusses, drywall, painting, measuring, and other key skills. In addition, 100% of the participants whom previously withdrawn from traditional high school education, earned their nationally recognized, Penn Foster high school diploma. This opens opportunity for Phoenix Rising graduates to enter the construction trade industries or continue to pursue other high-demand occupations through post-secondary enrollment.

---

## Upcoming Events

### Microsoft Excel - Tips and Times

Tuesday, January 21, 2020  
9:00am - 11:00am

This workshop will help prepare you for almost every business setting today. When signing up for this Excel workshop you will be focusing on not only learning the basics but also learning to create and edit spreadsheets and read and understand formulas.



As an integral part of any office environment today, Excel experience is highly sought by employers. Class is first come first serve and seating is limited. These classes are for those who have a basic understanding of computers and are not beginner classes. Attendees must have some basic experience working with a keyboard, mouse and personal computer (i.e. laptop, desktop).

[For More Information about Microsoft Excel Workshop Click Here!](#)

---

## Service Spotlight



### *Employers - Let Us Help You!*

Looking for that special talent for a new position?

Look no further, our Talent Marketplace is designed to help you find and recruit the right talent.

[For More Information about Internship Opportunities Click Here!](#)

---

## Blog Highlight



## JOB SEARCHING IN THE DIGITAL AGE IS STILL PERSONAL

### *DON'T SEND YOUR RESUME INTO THE ABYSS*

Applying for jobs has changed dramatically in the digital age. Now, with the help of online job sites, candidates can submit resumes and apply for dozens of positions in a single day, but quantity often doesn't equal success.

Some applicants apply for hundreds of jobs with no response, essentially sending their resumes into a black hole. If that's where you are, it's time to change your approach.

These job-searching tips, paired with the resources we offer to career seekers, will help you use digital tools to find a job you love.

- Include keywords in your resume and application
- Maximize your social media presence
- Personal contact still matters
- Follow-up is key

At [CareerSource Pasco Hernando](#), we can help you develop your resume and practice interviewing techniques. We also offer assessments to identify careers that match your talents and skills, along with internships and on-the-job training programs.

[Please contact us today and let us know how we can assist in your job search.](#)

Visit Our Blog

---

CareerSource Pasco Hernando | 352-277-6976 |  
jweightman@careersourcepascohernando.com | careersourcepascohernando.com

STAY CONNECTED





[Visit our website](#)

A proud partner of the  American Job Center network