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### **Bristol Hiring Expo to host over 40 employers seeking to fill more than 1,500 available positions**

The Bristol Tennessee Industrial Development Board and NETWORKS Sullivan Partnership will once again host the Bristol Hiring Expo on Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. Over 40 employers will be on hand seeking to fill in excess of 1,500 current job openings in fields such as manufacturing, healthcare, education, customer service, and many more. Employment opportunities will be available to job-seekers of all ages and nearly any level of education and experience.

This will be the fourth such event to be hosted by the city. The first three iterations of the event proved to be immensely successful at accomplishing the goal of connecting local employers with job-seekers from throughout the region. City Economic Development officials hope to replicate and build on that record of success.

“Each time we’ve hosted this event, we’ve been amazed at the response from both our employers and the prospective applicants who attend,” said Bristol, Tennessee Economic Development Director Tom Anderson. He added, “We continually encounter the narrative that there aren’t enough jobs available in our community, but the employment demands from our existing industry as well as from new businesses who have chosen to locate here prove that that’s simply not the case. The IDB and its partners are proud to host an event like this to help bridge that gap between employers and the qualified workforce in our region.”

Additional space is also being designated at the event as a Workforce Development Center. This area will feature agencies and organizations that are attending not as employers, but rather to provide information about the programs and services they offer. These include continuing education opportunities, résumé building, job training, veterans programs, and career services.

The Bristol Hiring Expo will take place on Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at the Bristol Motor Speedway South Building, 3005 Highway 11E. The event runs from 10:00 AM until 5:00 PM, and job-seekers may arrive at any time during these hours.

For job-seekers requiring transportation, the city will provide a free shuttle to and from the event that will pick up and drop off at the Downtown Center on Shelby St across from City Hall. There is no cost to attend the Hiring Expo, and no pre-registration is required.

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