

# WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



## WHAT RESOURCES EXIST?



## APPRENTICESHIP CAROLINA & TTC

Leads SC in registered apprenticeships that create a positive economic impact. Promotes youth, adult, and pre-apprenticeships.

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## BCDCOG & TRIDENT WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Serves as a convener to promote and create effective relationships between CLEOs, economic, education, and workforce partners.

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## CHARLESTON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE

Provides marketing support and workforce data to strengthen regional employment. Hosts the regional *Talent Advisory Council*.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WORKFORCE

Manages veteran and unemployment benefits, general job preparedness, and business support such as job fairs and job board postings. Also disseminates state/fed employment statistics.

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## DORCHESTER COUNTY ADULT EDUCATION

Assists adults in the completion of secondary education; become literate and obtain the knowledge and skills for employment, including soft skills development.

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## DORCHESTER COUNTY ECONOMIC DEV.

Supports businesses' retention and expansion efforts by bridging the gap between existing industry and workforce development initiatives.

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## SC DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Aids employers who hire DSS program participants providing tax incentives, consulting, pre-screening, background screening and ongoing assistance.

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## SC VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

Provides employment and training services to youth and adult job seekers with disabilities. Provide business services such as planning, recruiting, training, and retention.

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## SC WORKS TRIDENT, WIOA SERVICES

Connects employers, job seekers and training providers to create pathways to employment. Provides incentives for business partners such as On-the-Job Training program. Provides direct employment services for adult, dislocated worker, and youth job seekers through case management, training, and supportive services.

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## VETERAN AFFAIRS & JOINT BASE CHS

Offers career assistance, vocational rehabilitation, and training for service men and women. Skills Bridge program connects transitioning service men and women for advanced skills training.

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