Employment and Workforce Training Resources

for Job Seekers 50+



AGE+ City of Boston Age Strong Commission Mayor Martin J. Walsh



For our complete and most up-to-date list of employment resources, visit www.boston.gov/age-friendly

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We are pleased to introduce our Age-Friendly Boston Employment and Retraining Resource Guide.



When we joined the World Health Organization's network of Age-Friendly Cities in 2014, we went to every neighborhood in Boston and asked people a simple question: What are the strengths and weaknesses of Boston as a city for people over 50?

One of the things we heard again and again was that finding a job can be a challenge. In fact, only 18% of residents felt that there were adequate employment opportunities for older people.

This guide is the first step in a series of projects aimed at connecting residents with jobs and retraining programs. Follow-up steps will include identifying barriers to employment, and developing strategies that enhance employment and retraining opportunities.

The ultimate goal of our Age-Friendly initiative is to help residents live well and age well here in the City of Boston. A big part of that is income security and the sense of purpose that comes from employment and continuing to develop skills.

Learn more about our Age-Friendly Action Plan at Boston.gov/Age-Friendly.

Sincerely,

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Martin J. Walsh Mayor of Boston

Comprehensive Employment Services for Older Workers

These nonprofit organizations specifically work with older Boston residents to connect them with a wide-range of employment services

Greater Boston Chinese Golden Age Center

75 Kneeland Street, Suite 204, Boston, MA 02111 (617) 357-0226 | www.gbcgac.org

- Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP): Job placement in not for profits, community based organizations, government agencies
- ESOL classes

Operation A.B.L.E.

174 Portland Street, 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02114 (617) 542-4180 | www.operationable.net

- Senior Community Service Employment Program
- Medical, Office and Basic Computer Software Training
- Job Coaching and Counseling
- Job Search Skills
- Resource Room

ReServe New England

174 Portland St, 2nd Floor (617) 720-2233 | www.cswnewengland.org

• Job placement with nonprofit and public agencies

Career Centers

MassHire Boston Career Center

1010 Harrison Avenue, Boston, MA 02119 617-541-1400 masshirebostoncareerctr.org

• Online listings, career counseling, job referral

JVS Career Solution
75 Federal Street 3rd Floor
Boston, MA 02110
617-399-3100 | www.careersolution.org

• Career counseling, job referral

Employment Services All Ages

The organizations listed below have specifically been chosen by community partners as they offer career development programs for all ages. For a comprehensive list of city-funded workforce development providers, please visit the Office of Workforce Development web site: www.owd.boston.gov

ABCD Boston

19 Temple Place,(617) 483-5708 | www.bostonabcd.org/building-pathways.aspx

• Trades Skill Program

Asian American Civic Association

87 Tyler St, 5th Floor (617) 542-1800 | www.ymcaboston.org/traininginc

- Training for careers in banking, finance, energy efficient maintenance
- ESOL Classes

BEST Hospitality Training

2201 Washington St, Roxbury (617) 708-0711 | www.besthtc.org/for-job-seekers

- Hotel Housekeeping
- Pre-Apprenticeship and Apprenticeship Training Program

Catholic Charities

Labouré Center 275 West Broadway, South Boston (617) 464-8545 | www.ccab.org/education

- Nursing Assistant Training
- ESOL Classes

Fairmount Corridor Job Network

Dorchester Bay EDC

617-533-0575 | www.fairmountcollaborative.org

- Job Search
- Interview Preparation

Employment Services All Ages

Fenway CDC 70 Burbank St, Boston (617) 267-4637 ext. 29 | www.fenwaycdc.org/programs

- ESOL classes
- Career Counseling and Job Placement
- Computer Access
- Job Readiness Training

Notre Dame Education Center

200 Old Colony Ave, South Boston (617) 268-1912 | www.ndecboston.org

- ESOL Classes
- Career Coaching
- Customer Service, Office Skills, and Technology Training

Partners in Career and Workforce Development (PCWD) Health Care Training and Employment Program

550 Dudley St, Roxbury 617-442-1880 | www.partners.org/For-Employees/Workforce-Development

• Entry level employment with Partners Healthcare and training

YMCA Training, Inc.

18 Tremont St, Suite 400 (617) 542-1800 | www.ymcaboston.org/traininginc

- Computer and Office Skills Training
- Industry Specific Programs

Community Colleges

Bunker Hill Community College
250 New Rutherford Ave, Charlestown
(617) 228-2462 | www.bhhc.edu/ce

- GED and English as Second Language Classes
- Industry Specific Programs

Roxbury Community College
1234 Columbus Ave, Roxbury
(617) 268-1912 | www.ndecboston.org

- ESOL Classes
- Career Coaching
- Customer Service, Office Skills, and Technology Training

Computer Training

Tech Goes Home

(617) 635-2822 | www.techgoeshome.org

- Basic digital skills, options to purchase laptop for \$50
- Similar program for small business

Language Classes

Timothy Smith Network
20 Eustis St, Roxbury
(617) 968-3653
www.timothysmithnetwork.org

• ESOL, Computer, and GED Classes

Boston Adult Language Literacy Initiative (617) 918-5277 | www.ali.boston.gov

• Adult literacy program across Boston

Additional Resources



• Various online resources about employment for older adults

Executive Office of Elder Affairs

One Ashburton Place, 5th Fl (617) 268-1912 | www.mass.gov/elders

Information on Senior Community Service Employment Program

Retirement Jobs

www.retirementjobs.com

• Job listings for job seekers 50+

Notes

"New adventures enrich one's life."

-Lailah Gifty Akita

