

Southwest Louisiana **WORKFORCE** Resource Guide

A step-by-step guide to prepare you
for a job in support of area industry

TESTIMONIALS

“The Resource Guide is a great tool to help people take advantage of the job opportunities that are coming to our area. It is another example of how our public/private partnership works to translate economic development into something meaningful for those who live in our community.”

Lake Charles Mayor Randy Roach

“On behalf of the citizens of Calcasieu Parish and the surrounding communities, I would like to express my appreciation and gratitude to Sasol and the collaborating entities for their work on the Southwest Louisiana Workforce Resource Guide. This guide will certainly be a useful tool in informing the general public of the resources available throughout our community and those at the Calcasieu Business and Career Solutions Center. Additionally, the guide will provide practical hands on guidance to assist anyone interested in accessing these services the information needed to easily be able to do so as they navigate towards their career of choice.”

Shannon Spell, President, Calcasieu Parish Police Jury

“The Southwest Louisiana Workforce Resource Guide is yet another example of how our local community leaders, academic institutions and service providers are coming together to prepare local residents for the thousands of job opportunities planned for our area. We want our local residents to be among the first selected to fill the positions being created in area industry and this Resource Guide will help them to reach that potential.”

Kerri Courville, Sasol North America Human Resources Manager-Business Partnering

“I am very pleased with the SWLA Workforce Resource Guide. Thanks to the guide, the citizens in our community will have the tools needed to secure educational opportunities, training, and employment. This is powerful information.”

Stephanie Seemion, Workforce Investment Board Director

“Choosing a career path? The SWLA Workforce Resource Guide is an excellent tool to help direct you upward and onward. Plan, Prepare, Work!”

Mary T. Conway, Site Coordinator, Business and Career Solutions Center

“Over 56 billion dollars in expansions have been announced by various companies operating in Louisiana. This is great news for Louisiana citizens and particularly our young adults, because it is an opportunity for employment earning good wages. The Southwest Louisiana Workforce Guide is a great source of information that can help plan and change the future of those seeking a career in industry.”

Joe Andrepont, Sr., Community Affairs Representative for Westlake Chemical and Calcasieu Parish School Board Member

“The SWLA Workforce Resource Guide will serve as an important workforce support system tool to inform, educate, inspire and empower the reader.”

Beverly S. McCormick, Executive Director, Volunteer Center Southwest Louisiana Inc.

“With the impending economic boom that is coming to southwest Louisiana, this Resource Guide is a great tool for those individuals that need information about the types of jobs available, how and where to get the training necessary to qualify for the jobs, and how to position yourself to be successful in attaining the job.”

*Dr. Neil Aspinwall, Chancellor
SOWELA Technical Community College*

“Careers in industry are very rewarding and this guide accurately documents qualifying requirements and steps to follow for anyone who is serious about pursuing a career in industry.”

*Larry DeRoussel, Executive Director
Lake Area Industry Alliance*

“I appreciate being a part of the SWLA Resource Guide review committee; it truly is an honor and a privilege to be a part of the team. The SWLA Resource Guide is the Blueprint for individuals willing to do the work, to land a job in the skilled labor industry.”

*Bro. Charles E. Porter, Jr.
Assistant Pastor, Church of God in Christ*

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