

# SENIOR EMPLOYMENT – ATLANTA REGION

Moving into the 21st century, tight labor markets have heightened the value of older workers. More and more, employers recognize this “new” labor pool because of the demonstrated work ethic of older adults in the workplace. In the Atlanta region, a number of programs and collaboratives support older adults seeking employment.

## Senior Employment Programs

The Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP), funded through the Older Americans’ Act, is available to eligible persons 55 years of age and older and provides work assignments in part-time positions with nonprofits and government agencies that assist the community. This is a work experience program designed to upgrade job skills through on-the-job training and eventual placement in the competitive labor force.

While participants develop job-related skills, the community directly benefits from the work they perform in both public and private nonprofit agencies. Participants earn minimum wage while engaged in part-time work experience training assignments.

The Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) contracts with Careers@Work, a division of Jewish Family & Career Services, to administer the state-funded SCSEP positions. State and national contractors in the Atlanta region and the employers’ jobline are listed below:

### AARP Foundation SCSEP

1718 Peachtree Road, NE  
Ste. 991 South  
Atlanta, GA 30309  
404.892.4446

### National Caucus & Center on Black Aged

1514 E. Cleveland Ave., Ste  
80 Atlanta, GA 30344  
404.762.9500

### AARP Foundation SCSEP

2754 N. Decatur Rd. #11  
Ste. 991 South  
Decatur, GA 30033  
404.292.1330

### Tools for Living, JFCS

4549 Chamblee-Dunwoody Rd.  
Dunwoody, GA 30338-6210  
770-677-9465

### AARP Foundation SCSEP

Atlanta, 404.892.4446  
Decatur, 404.292.1330

### Tools for Living, JFCS

770.677.9465

**Businesses can fax job orders to the  
Employer Jobline 404.463.3264**

## Web Sites

**agewiseconnection.com** – Resources regarding aging programs and services currently available; a new senior employment component is under construction; expected availability – 2004.

**atlantaregional.com** – Employment information available under Workforce Development.

**www.dol.state.ga.us** – Georgia Department of Labor’s resources and linkages to help find employment and training information.

**www.g1careernet.com** – Georgia Department of Labor’s resources and linkages to help find employment and training information.

## Atlanta Regional Senior Employment Collaborative Strengthening local partnerships for mature workers

State and national SCSEP contractors in the Atlanta region formed a collaborative to build partnerships with Georgia’s Workforce Investment System. The collaborative ensures the representation of older workers on Workforce Investment Boards and in one-stop workforce centers as they develop in response to Georgia’s implementation of the Workforce Investment Act.

### Atlanta Regional Commission

404.463.3222

## Metro Atlanta Older Worker Network

The Metro Atlanta Older Worker Network was formed to promote the unique contributions of older workers in the workplace. Businesses and service providers build win-win partnerships to benefit both the business community and older workers.

## Member benefits include

- Opportunity to network with agencies that have as their main objective assisting clients in finding employment.
- Free advertising of employer’s open positions reaching potential employees through member agencies.
- Access to information about older worker functions, job fairs and events.
- Publicity.
- Confidence that your company is contributing to the community while benefiting from access to older workers.
- Receipt of pertinent information about issues affecting the older worker and older worker organizations and associations.
- Opportunity to network with other employers that are interested in older worker issues.
- Announcements of training opportunities, including information on managing, working with and understanding older workers.
- Opportunity to participate in the annual Metro Atlanta Older Workers Awards Luncheon.

The Metro Atlanta Older Worker Network hosts an Annual Older Worker Awards Luncheon. Older workers and employers throughout the region are recognized at the luncheon where the Atlanta Older Worker of the Year and Older Worker Employer of the Year are announced. All of the older workers nominated by employers are recognized at this annual event.



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## Georgia's Workforce Investment System

The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) replaced the former Job Training Partnership Program (JTPA) on July 1, 2000. In the metro Atlanta area, five local workforce boards have been established to provide a variety of employment and training services for persons of all ages. These new service areas include the City of Atlanta, Cobb County, DeKalb County, Fulton County outside the City of Atlanta and the Atlanta Regional Workforce Board serving Cherokee, Clayton, Douglas, Fayette, Gwinnett, Henry and Rockdale counties.

Individuals interested in applying for employment and training services can inquire or apply in person at the offices listed.

Services offered under WIA are provided through a system of one-stop centers. A variety of basic and advanced services are available to assist individuals seeking employment, training and education services. Some basic services that are generally available include assistance with finding a job, job matching, resume preparation and accessing the Internet. Some centers also offer workshops on how to develop interviewing skills, how to look for a job and how to use computers to prepare resumes and assist with job searches. More advanced services are available to help individuals develop career paths, assess current skills, research training and education opportunities and access financial assistance for training and education, career counseling, individualized job searches and other services to help individuals find and keep employment.



[www.agewiseconnection.com](http://www.agewiseconnection.com)

## Georgia Department of Labor Career Centers

### North Metro

2943 North Druid Hills Road, Atlanta GA 30329  
404.679.5200

### South Metro

2636-14 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, Atlanta GA 30311  
404.699.6900

### Clayton

2450 Mt. Zion Blvd., Bldg. 100, Jonesboro, GA 30236  
678.479.5886

### Cobb-Cherokee

465 Big Shanty Road, Marietta, GA 30066  
770.528.6100

### Covington

7249 Industrial Blvd., NE, Covington, GA 30014  
770.784.2455

### Gwinnett

2211 Beaver Ruin Road, Suite 160, Norcross, GA 30071  
770.840.2200

## Metro Atlanta One Stop Centers

*Atlanta Regional Workforce Board (ARWB)*

Includes Cherokee, Clayton, Douglas, Fayette, Gwinnett, Henry and Rockdale counties

### Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC)

Training Hotline: 404.463.3327

### Career Resource Center, Clayton - Clayton, Henry and Fayette See Counties

409 Arrowhead Blvd., Suite C-5, Jonesboro, GA 30236  
770.473.2121

**Career Resource Center, Douglasville - Douglas County**  
Call for an appointment at 770.806.2020

**Career Resource Center, Gwinnett Tech - Gwinnett County**  
5150 Sugarloaf Pkwy, Lawrenceville, GA 30044  
678.226.6660

**Career Resource Center - Cherokee County**  
150 Lee Street, Suite A, Canton, GA 30114  
770.479.7550

**Career Resource Center, Norcross - Gwinnett County**  
1835 Shackleford Court, Suite 150, Norcross, GA 30093  
770.806.2020

**Career Resource Center, Rockdale - Rockdale County**  
350 Tall Oaks Drive, Conyers, GA 30013  
770.806.2020

**Cobb Works Development Center - Cobb County**  
463 Commerce Park, Suite 100, Marietta, GA 30060  
770.528.4300

**Atlanta Workforce Development Agency - City of Atlanta**  
818 Pollard Street, SW, Atlanta, GA 30303  
404.658.9675

**DeKalb Works - DeKalb County**  
320 Church Street, Decatur, GA 30030  
404.687.3400

**DeKalb Career Center - DeKalb County**  
404.298.3970, Ext. 32

**Goodwill Industries - DeKalb County**  
404.373.0456

**Fulton County Office of Workforce Development  
Fulton County (Outside the City of Atlanta)**  
112 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive  
Atlanta GA 30303  
404.730.4751



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