

New Businesses	Businesses Increase / Recall	Businesses Downsized/Lay Off	Closed Businesses
Silverado Tree Service	Proform Powdered Metals		The Auto Lender/AL Auto Sales
Leapfrog Learning and Daycare Center	BFG Electroplating		
S&T Bank Punxsutawney branch	Beverage Air		
Schneider National Carriers	Argo Machining		
Family Health Care Center			
TransCanada			
Angels Helping at Home			

Outreach-

WRC, SMX, Suburban Propane LP, Laurel Eye Clinic, Allen Law, Brookville Glove, Goodwill Industries-Punxsutawney, Biggie’s Quality Meats, Plyler’s at Your Service, Inc., Seneca Resource Group, Schneider National Carriers, Inc., American Greetings, Hurricane Truck Wash, Pep Boys-Brookville, Best American Value, LLC, Brookville Motorsports, Inc.

Highlights for this quarter –

A former SCSEP trainee at the CareerLink (Greeter), obtained employment at a local retailer with job search assistance from CareerLink staff and placement assistance from the WIOA Adult program.

In January, three employers signed up to hold hiring events at the PA CareerLink Jefferson County. Health Ride Plus conducted open interviews on 01/17, SMX Staffing/Beverage Air conducted open interviews on 1/19, Three contingent job offers were made on the spot for full-time manufacturing positions and Source4Teachers held a hiring event on 1/24.

Adult participant, enrolled in the WIOA program in February of 2017. She had moved to the Punxsutawney area from Boston, MA several years ago. She was interested in returning to work but no local experience. Through the enrollment process it was discovered her math and reading scores needed remediation. She was referred to Community Action for their Adult Education classes. Maria worked hard there to improve her skills. With her previous experience in child care she wanted to find a position locally working with children. A work experience was arranged with Jefferson/Clarion Head Start in January 2018. Her supervisor has expressed many times how well she is doing with the children. They are encouraging her to apply for a substitute aid position for when the work experience is complete. A road block emerged regarding her applying. Head Start requires all employees to have a driver’s license. The Customer has a learner’s permit but was having trouble getting the time behind the wheel. Goodwill’s Driver Education program was arranged through supportive services. Maria is currently working with Goodwill to achieve her driver’s license while she continues to complete her hours at Head Start under the work experience program.

A customer was referred to the EARN program in November of 2017 by the Department of Human Services. She had previously worked in the health care field and expressed interest in returning to that work. She was able to apply for reinstatement of her CNA license. While waiting on applications she had completed for local health care facilities, she started a work experience at the Jefferson County Housing Authority for 16 hours a week. She had completed a step up program there earlier in 2017. The customer completed 3 weeks of work experience. She was interviewed and accepted a position at Penn Highlands for an overnight CNA position. She started this new job on 1/26/2018. The customer has been updating the CareerLink on her new job every two weeks. She continues to do well.