

## **Resumes and Applications**

## **Resumes:**

- Find a couple of templates from a reputable employment website and customize for different employment opportunities/
  industries
- · Have a skilled and trusted people review for grammar, spelling and content
- · Continually review and update as new skills, training and employment is obtained
- · Adjust your resume with key words and skills identified in the job posting in which you are applying
- · Consider using a resume writing service to help refine your resume
- If you have gaps in employment from being incarcerated, try detailing job skills you may have acquired while serving time: program completions, food service, porter, etc.

## **Applications:**

- Collect all needed info to complete your application
  - » Work addresses and phone numbers
  - » Name of supervisors
  - » Details of work history and dates
  - » Education details
  - » Contact information
  - » Salary details
  - » Reference information: Name, address, phone number, years of relationship
- Complete the application fully online or in person
- Answer all questions and provide full details
- For in person applications:
  - » Bring a pen with back up
  - » Check spelling and grammar
  - » Dictionary if necessary
  - » Details to properly complete the application
  - » Portfolio to write on
  - » Dress expecting to be immediately interviewed, even if you are not
  - » Attach a copy of your resume with your application
  - For online applications:
    - » Fill out all applicable sections
    - » Check spelling and grammar
    - » Make sure all details, dates, addresses, names, etc. are accurate
    - » Attach a prepared resume when prompted
    - » Double check the details before hitting submit