



IT'S NOT ABOUT DISABILITIES. IT'S ABOUT POSSIBILITIES.

Employment & Training Events in CT & RI

March 27th, 2020

The Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation Program is welcoming applications, must be tribally enrolled Native American/American Indians living with a disability in CT or RI in need of employment services, apply online at www.tribalvr.org or call/leave message at (860) 396-2281

Normally, we would refer to the Department of Labor funded programs and Workforce Investment Boards for employment and training events however due to the executive order: "Stay Safe Stay Home" in CT and the "Stay at Home" declaration in RI, the American Job Centers and NetworkRI Job Centers are *closed to the public* through parts of or all of April. Staff can still be reached and are working virtually. Please call directly and if nobody answers, leave a message. Refer to their websites for timeline history and anticipated dates of re-opening or advisement:

<https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus>

<https://health.ri.gov/covid/>

The Small Business Administration Disaster Loan Assistance Program:

<https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Coronavirus/20200327-Small-Business-Owners-Guide-to-the-CARES-Act.pdf?la=en>

For Unemployment Insurance by the Department of Labor and American Job Center website: via Careeronestop:

<https://www.careeronestop.org/coronavirus.aspx>

To find your local library and explore virtual services:

<https://www.careeronestop.org/LocalHelp/CommunityServices/find-libraries.aspx?newsearch=true>

CT Online Resources and News

Healthcare: Special Enrollment for Uninsured CT Residents: <https://learn.accesshealthct.com/>

SOUTHEASTERN CT SCORE Small Business Webinars and Virtual Mentoring: <https://sect.score.org/>

RI Online Resources and News

NetworkRI Center Phone Numbers:

Providence: (401) 462-8900

West Warwick: (401) 462-4100

Woonsocket: (401) 235-1201

Wakefield: (401) 782-4362

From the State of RI <https://health.ri.gov/covid/#press> website:

The Rhode Island Department of Labor and Training has set up a COVID-19 Assistance Line and email address (401-462-2020; dlt.covid19@dlt.ri.gov). They are intended to provide support to people regarding COVID-19 and employment issues. The phone line is staffed Monday to Friday during business hours. factsheet more

A special enrollment period for Rhode Islanders without health insurance is now available through April 15th, 2020 to qualified individuals who are uninsured. Visit HealthSourceRI.com to enroll, or call customer support or use our web chat function between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Monday – Friday at 1-855-840-4774. For anyone who is concerned that they need to be tested for coronavirus -- or anyone who is seeking care because of coronavirus exposure -- coverage will start retroactively.

General questions on COVID 19 in RI: (401) 222-8022.

DID YOU KNOW?

Mexican American Artist **SELENA** (Selena Quintanilla-Pérez) has maternal Cherokee ancestry?!
“Selena Day” is celebrated in TX on April 12th founded by then Governor George W. Bush
<https://selena.fandom.com/wiki/Selena>

TRIBAL COMMUNITY EVENTS / NEWS

The MPTN Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation Program will be hosting a virtual Talking Circle soon!

The Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe posted a message on their website in response to the recent communication to disestablish their reservation and is seeking support. FMI: <https://mashpeewampanoagtribe-nsn.gov/>

From our friends at the Yale Native American Cultural Center:

[Adrienne Chalepah](#), [@adriannecomedy](#)

LIVE ON INSTAGRAM, WED. APR. 1st at 7PM MST // AGE'S VIRTUAL COMEDY MIC // Each comedian will be doing 3 minutes of comedy, storytelling, or just fun! Thank you to these talented people for joining me this Wednesday! (Jamar Hall, Tonia J Hall, Divender Purewal, Teresa Choyguha, Jonny R, Bobby Dues, Kasey Nicholson, Tito Hoover, Deanna MAD #virtualopenmic #comedy.....

-If you're a comedian, want to participate in the next one, and you have an Instagram account, please DM me, I plan to keep doing these live virtual shows!-

Come visit our website at <https://tribalvr.mptn-nsn.gov>