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Compete Milwaukee = a promising pathway to jobs

Alderman Ashanti Hamilton and Alderman Willie C. Wade will attend information sessions tomorrow (Wednesday, January 14) at the Milwaukee Area Workforce Investment Board (MAWIB), 2342 N. 27th St., for persons interested in applying for one of the 115 **Compete Milwaukee** transitional jobs in city departments.

In 2015, the City of Milwaukee will partner with MAWIB and UMOS (United Migrant Opportunity Services) to fund the 115 newly created six-month transitional job placements in city departments.

Wednesday's information sessions are scheduled at the following times:

- **9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at MAWIB, 2342 N. 27th St.**
- **2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at MAWIB, 2342 N. 27th St.**

Individuals interested in applying for the **Compete Milwaukee** transitional jobs **MUST** meet the following requirements and attend the information session on January 14, 2015:

- Must reside in this geographical area at the time of enrollment: Sherman Boulevard on the West, Silver Spring Drive on the North, Hwy I-43 on the East, and Mitchell Street on the South.
- Must be 18—64 years old at the time of enrollment.
- If 24 years of age or older, **MUST** be the biological, adoptive or primary relative caregiver of a child under the age of 18.

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- Individual must have one of the following: a child support order, a child welfare reunification plan or be an ex-offender.
- Must have been unemployed for the last four (4) consecutive calendar weeks prior to enrollment.
- Cannot be receiving W2 benefits and not eligible to receive Unemployment Insurance Compensation.
- Have an annual household income that is less than 150% of the federal poverty guideline for the household size.

For more information, job seekers can call UMOS at (414) 389-6000 and visit

<http://www.milwaukee.gov/competemilwaukee>

Those planning to attend Wednesday's info sessions should **bring the following documentation:**

- Proof of Date of Birth (copy)
- Social Security Card (copy of front and back)
- Proof of Income (i.e. pay stub, SSI, TANF, Food Stamps, most recent tax return, etc.)
- Proof of Address (i.e. State ID, mail, report card, etc.)

Transitional jobs provide opportunities for long-term unemployed men and women to get immediate work to support themselves and their families while seeking unsubsidized work. The Transitional Jobs model is being adopted in cities across the country as a way to address employment issues faced by city residents in need, while simultaneously investing in a community's services and infrastructure.

Transitional Jobs participants who are successfully recruited, interviewed and employed will have the opportunity to work in the Department of Public Works, the Department of City Development and Neighborhood Services, and the Port of Milwaukee. The workers will gain skills and experience while working under the direct supervision of city supervisors and alongside city employees and will be paid at least **\$10.10 per hour**.