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Mohave County staff is ready to assist job seekers at the new Job Help Hub in the expanded Mohave County Library on Hancock Road in Bullhead City. Pictured are (from left) Mohave County Library Assistant Senior Laurie Wilson, Workforce Development Program Representative Lynda Williams, Program Supervisor Terry Baughn and Program Representative Toni Ambrose.

Mohave County Library provides Job Help Hub

BULLHEAD CITY – The Mohave County Library and One-Stop Career Center have united to offer a Job Help Hub in Bullhead City.

County Community Services Program Supervisor Terry Baughn is overseeing the new job-search assistance program at the recently expanded library at 1170 East Hancock Road. Library Assistant Senior Laurie Wilson, reference/computer information supervisor, is also involved with the new program.

The Job Help Hub is being held Monday through Friday from 1 until 5 p.m., Baughn said. “There has been a

huge influx of people seeking job-search assistance at the library in recent years.”

With the expansion of the Mohave County Library on Hancock Road, County Community Services Department has joined with library staff to fulfill the need for that assistance. Workforce Development Program Representative Toni Ambrose will be available Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 1 until 5 p.m. and Program Representative Lynda Williams will be there Thursday and Friday from 1 until 5 p.m.

“This partnership is a wonderful example of leveraging resources to serve

the job seeking public,” Mohave County Workforce Manager Jen Miles said. “The Arizona State Library contracted with the Community Services Department – Workforce Development Division – to provide direct assistance to job seekers in a newly established Job Help Hub at the Mohave County Library in Bullhead City. This extends our One-Stop Career Center services at a location where many citizens are using computers daily to search for jobs, create resumes and fill out on-line applications. We are delighted to partner with the Library to assist their patrons in job-search efforts.”

Residents are invited to come to the Hub for computer and internet assistance, help with resumes and online job applications and networking and search instructions.

The employment application process has changed in recent years along with the new technology.

“One of the greatest needs in our area is that many people are unfamiliar with online application procedures, how to submit resumes online and how to search for employment on computers,” Baughn said. “We can help them with that and we have job listings here that are specific to Bullhead City, Lake Havasu City, Kingman and Laughlin, Nev.”

There are 18 computers in the Job Help Hub classroom at the Library. The computers and the program are grant-funded.

“There are more than 50 computers available for public access throughout the Library here in Bullhead,” Baughn said.

“Prior to this program, I was in charge of the computer lab here at the Library,” Wilson said. “During that time, we had numerous people coming in who were seeking one-on-one assistance with their job searches. We didn’t have the staff to handle that then. But now, we have the staff and enough computers.”

“Every Monday, we will hold our Job Club from 2 until 4 p.m.,” Williams said. “And we will have a workshop, Job Search Reality, every Wednesday from 2 until 4 p.m. to help people understand the online application process.”

Mohave County Community Services will continue to have a One-Stop Career Center in Bullhead City at 1355 Ramar Road, Suite 3.

“At our One-Stop, we have three computers to help clients with their employment search,” Ambrose said. “Here (Job Help Hub) we have 18. We can help a lot more people at one time.”

The Hub is able to assist anyone who seeks help in finding work. Teenagers who may want to develop resumes and find night jobs while they are going to high school are welcome; as are seniors who have retired and are now seeking part- or full-time work.

“Many construction workers who have been hit hard by the recession have wonderful work skills but aren’t as familiar with computers and could use assistance with online applications,” Baughn said. “And, of course, we also offer Workforce Investment Act (WIA) assistance to eligible people who may need some training. Our summer youth job program, COYOTE (COalition YOUTH TEam), is starting, as well. Youths can stop by our One-Stop Career Center or the Mohave County Library and pick up applications for the COYOTE program or they can download applications online through our website.”

The Mohave County Workforce website is: www.co.mohave.az.us

Information can be found by going to that website, selecting “Departments,” “Community Services,” and then “One-Stop Career Center,” and finally “Job-Seekers,”

“COYOTE” or any number of services. Baughn can be reached at (928) 758-0702. The Mohave County Library in Bullhead City can be reached at (928) 758-0714.

The new Mohave County Library is “a wonderful facility,” Wilson said. The expansion “helped us to have these computers and this classroom available for the Hub.”

“The Job Help Hub is a great opportunity for our community residents,” Baughn said. “This program provides help where it is needed.”