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TRAINING GROUNDS COFFEE SHOP GRAND OPENING!!!

*Racine County Workforce Solutions launches coffee shop and training program
in partnership with The Grind*

Racine – With a ribbon-cutting ceremony on October 3, 2016 at 10 am, Racine County Workforce Solutions will launch Training Grounds, a coffee shop that will provide training and employment to young adults with limited job skills. Training Grounds is located in the first floor lobby of the north entrance of Racine County Dennis Kornwolf Service Center, 1717 Taylor Ave, Racine. Developed in partnership with The Grind, a locally owned, independent cafe founded by Steve and Lisa Novak in July 2010, the Training Grounds will serve coffee, tea, smoothies and baked goods.

“Training Grounds is an innovative opportunity for young adults to develop soft and hard job skills that will prepare them to transition to full-time employment,” said Hope Otto, Racine County Director of Human Services. Training Grounds will employ 4 to 6 part-time Baristas who prepare specialty beverages. The Baristas will participate in an ongoing training program that includes customer service and soft skills training.

“Staff and visitors to Workforce Solutions can contribute to the skill development of young Racine County adults and the local economy while enjoying a delicious beverage at the same time,” added Mark Mundl, Racine County Manager of Workforce Solutions. Training Grounds is made possible through Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act funds which the U.S. Department of labor designated to “strengthen and improve our nation's public workforce system and help get Americans, including youth and those with significant barriers to employment, into high-quality jobs and careers and help employers hire and retain skilled workers.”

The mission of Racine County Workforce Solutions is to provide dynamic services to produce work-ready employees for business and community growth. Visit Workforce Solutions at 1717 Taylor Avenue, Racine, WI 53403, 209 North Main Street, Burlington, WI 53105, online at www.racinecounty.com/workforcesolutions or call 262.638.6312.

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