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RACINE COUNTY TO HOLD SECOND JOB FEST OF 2019

Block party-style events have proven track record of success

Racine – In partnership with Julian Thomas Elementary School, Racine County has scheduled its second Job Fest of 2019.

The Job Fest will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Thursday, August 22, at Julian Thomas Elementary, 930 Martin Luther King Drive. The Job Fest will include employers and job opportunities from sectors including manufacturing, food products, CNC and healthcare, with some on-site interviews. The family-friendly event also features free food, games, raffles and music.

At the first Racine County Job Fest this year, eight residents were hired or offered positions during the event and several others were interviewed. Last year, two Job Fests in Racine drew more than 400 residents, with 10 residents hired directly and 34 receiving job offers.

"Job Fests are another way to help businesses find talented employees and residents obtain family-sustaining employment," County Executive Jonathan Delagrave said. "We are committed to helping community members learn about life-changing job and training opportunities."

"Job Fests are not your typical summer block parties – they offer a real opportunity for family-sustaining jobs," said Melvin Hargrove, project manager for Racine County's Uplift 900 employment initiative. "The Job Fests have all the family-oriented fun of street festivals, as well as information residents need to access better-paying positions."

For more information, visit www.racinecounty.com/Uplift900 or contact Melvin Hargrove at 262.638.6551 or melvin.hargrove@racinecounty.com.