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Meet Melissa Coleman

Melissa Coleman is a resident determined to build a better future. She reached out to Employment & Employer Services (E&ES) regarding the CHA Employment Placement Services (EPS) program but faced a childcare barrier. The (EPS) Career Coach provided her with resources to secure childcare and encouraged her to return once she was ready. As a single mother of twin boys, Melissa knew the right job could improve her life.

Through EPS program, Melissa gained career coaching, employment support, and networking opportunities. She not only found a job but also the confidence to pursue a career she loved. Her journey was about more than employment, it was about finding the right path forward which led to a job with Compass Group, earning \$25 an hour.

"EPS has helped me in so many ways to become more visible to employers. It shocks me that people aren't aware this program exists; it's incredibly beneficial!"

Summer Foods Is Here!



Applications will be accepted from March 4, 2025, to April 4, 2025.



Apply Here: summerfoodsemployment.thecha.org

Spring Hiring Event



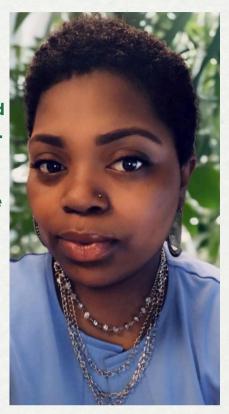
April 3, 2025 | 10:00am-2:00pm Charles A. Hayes Family Investment Center 4859 S. Wabash Ave Chicago II 60615 Register here: <u>bit.ly/SpringEvent2025</u>



Business Development

Meet Tiffany Brown

Tiffany Brown is a CHA Resident who was recently selected for the Drupal Easy Paid-Internship Program which began on February 10, 2025. The Drupal Easy Program, in collaboration with Palantir, offers a 12-week curriculum that includes comprehensive learning tools, access to a dedicated mentor, and the opportunity to earn a Career Technical Education Certificate. Tiffany said, "I applied for the Drupal Program/Internship because I wanted to develop my skills in web development and learn how to build great websites, while also learning how to use a CMS. With a huge interest in coding along with open-source technologies, I see this opportunity as a perfect fit to enhance my technical abilities while working with a hands-on team. I am particularly excited about gaining hands-on experience with Drupal's flexible platform, which I believe will help me grow as a developer and contribute to me being able to make meaningful projects in the web development field. If you want to learn more about workforce opportunities and trainings, please contact the WORC office at worc@thecha.org for more information.



WORC Technical Assistance Workshops

How to Register in the Cook County Supplier Portal March 12, 2025 10a - 11a

https://tinvurl.com/vvz2ipbn

How to Register in the Chicago Public **Schools Supplier Portal** March 26, 2025 10am - 11am

https://forms.office.com/g/UYUa29GBnY https://tinyurl.com/4mr6y3rc

Responding to a Small Purchase **Quote Request** March 27, 2025 10am - 11am https://tinvurl.com/2s3a57me

How to Register in the City of **Chicago's Supplier Portal** March 28, 2025 10a - 11a



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March 12, 2025 | 11:00AM - 12:00PM | Via Zoom tinyurl.com/mu9dkyjn