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DeKalb Workforce Connects Jobseekers with Jobs

DECATUR, Ga. – When Eshetu Demo was laid off from his job as a refrigeration technician with a commercial services company, he struggled to find another job.

He tried to leverage his recent job experience to gain a similar position, but could not land an opportunity that matched his skills and previous work experience as a HVAC technician.

Demo found employment when he turned to DeKalb Workforce Development, which works to connect jobseekers with employment opportunities in growing industries by providing job search assistance and industry-aligned job training.



Eshetu Demo is an apartment maintenance technician with The Worthington Companies.

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“We are pleased to be able to help DeKalb residents find employment through DeKalb Workforce Development,” said DeKalb Interim CEO Lee May. “In 2015, our DeKalb Workforce Development Office helped more than 26,000 jobseekers with employment and training activities that put them on the path to fulfilling their economic dreams.”

DeKalb Workforce Development provided funding assistance which allowed Demo to attend the North Georgia Apartment Maintenance Training Program. The program consists of seven weeks of classroom and hands-on training, with two of the weeks dedicated to on-the-job training with certification through the Atlanta Apartment Association.

“Being able to complete on-the-job training helped me boost my skills for my current position as an apartment maintenance technician,” Demo said.

DeKalb Workforce Development coached and mentored Demo on writing resumes, developing his personal image and brand, and preparing for interviews. The agency helped him find and secure his current employment with The Worthington Companies.

For more information about DeKalb Workforce Development, including upcoming job fairs, go to www.dekalbworkforce.org or call 404-687-3400.

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