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INAUGURAL ASPIRE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY FAIR FOR THE JUSTICE-INVOLVED POPULATION (Access to Services and Programs to Inspire Reentry and Empowerment)

The Sheriff's Office is pleased to announce its inaugural ASPIRE Employment Opportunity Fair for the justice-involved population. On May 17, 2022, the Sheriff's Office will host employers such as Starbucks, Action Towing and Urban Logistics (an Amazon fulfillment center). Hiring managers will have the opportunity to interview a handful of men and women who have completed Work Readiness classes and will be reentering our communities.

Sheriff Carlos G. Bolanos will welcome participants to the Employment Opportunity Fair, which will be held at the Maple Street Correctional Center. Refreshments will be provided by students in the Culinary Arts and Hospitality Program, an in-custody vocational program provided by our partnership with JobTrain.

In the weeks preceding the Employment Opportunity Fair, justice-involved individuals will participate in employment readiness classes. Classes include resume preparation, in-person and virtual mock interview preparation, and how to dress for success. The cohort will have the opportunity to dress out of their jail-issued clothing and wear clothing appropriate for the occasion.

"It is important to work with the justice-involved population while they are still incarcerated to prepare them for reentering society. The ASPIRE Employment Opportunity Fair reflects our commitment to the County's continuum of services to this population. Entering or returning to the workforce is a key to successful reentry," Sheriff Bolanos.

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