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SAWDC Quarterly

SAWDC Kicks Off Region 9 Rural County Initiative

We are excited to kick off an initiative, which focuses specifically on the rural counties of Region 9. [The Delta Regional Authority](#), as part of its new investments to help identify opportunities and implement strategies for enhancing regional and local workforce development systems, is providing resources to SAWDC to conduct an analysis of current and projected education and workforce development needs. The lead organization, which will perform this work, is [Jobs for the Future](#) - a national nonprofit with over 30 years of experience as a national leader in bridging education and work to increase mobility and strengthen the economy.

In order to provide the JFF team with access to a core group of key leaders in the rural counties, SAWDC has established the **Rural County Leadership Team**, which will serve to advise the project. It is our hope that this effort will help our region develop programs and systems-based policies to build a more connected, comprehensive workforce system among education systems and business and industry sectors.

If you would like to get involved in this effort, please contact Kelli Dugan with SAWDC at (251)445-2090 or kdugan@sawdc.org.

Council Meeting

Click [here](#) to register

Date:

Wed., March 16th

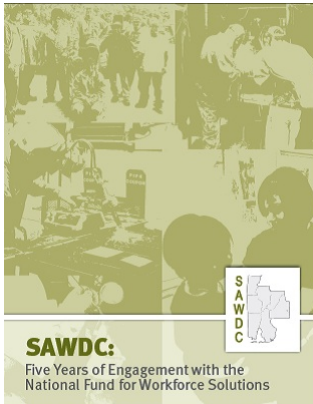
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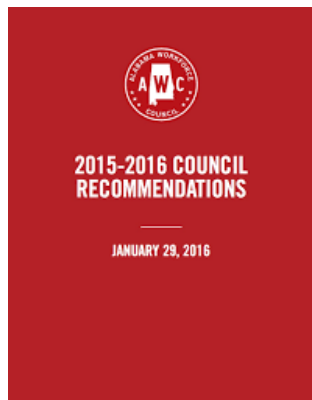


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If you would like to get involved, contact:

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Career Fair

The mission of [Bay Area Healthcare Coalition](#) - a partnership of coastal Alabama healthcare providers, secondary and post-secondary schools - is to identify and develop education-to-workplace initiatives supporting the growing need for qualified healthcare professionals.

In turn, the coalition sponsored the interactive Health Occupations Career Fair Feb. 24-25, attracting more than 600 tenth-graders from across Mobile and Baldwin counties.

Managed by the [Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce's](#) Education & Workforce Development Division, the two-day, hands-on experience is designed to motivate and inspire students considering careers in an array of healthcare fields and to help the Mobile area cultivate a

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workforce pipeline to meet future demands. Each exhibit was staffed by local healthcare professionals or students to answer questions and discuss education requirements and opportunities.



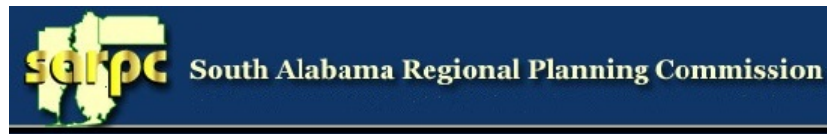
SARPC to Hold Annual Business Expo & Jobs Fair in April 2016

The [South Alabama Regional Planning Commission's](#) 18th Annual Business Expo & Jobs Fair will take place at The Grounds (Greater Gulf State Fair Grounds) on Thursday, April 21, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Employers seeking workers will have the opportunity to meet with hundreds of applicants.

Click [here](#) or more information.

To reserve your booth contact SARPC - (251) 652-0585
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SAWDC's Vision is to develop a comprehensive, integrated workforce development system which creates a skilled, diverse, motivated, adaptable workforce that better meets the needs of employers and leads to a better quality of life for our citizens.

SAWDC's Mission is to develop strategic partnerships which attract, educate and train students and workers to better meet employer needs and foster economic growth in a global marketplace.

For more information on how you can become involved

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with the efforts of the Southwest Alabama Workforce Development Council and Region 9, please call 251-445-2090.

