

We're here to help.

If you're looking for a job, look no further.

The Homeless Initiative helps homeless people gain the skills and knowledge needed to join the workforce, plain and simple.

Since implementation of the Homeless Initiative in 2006, almost 800 people have been assisted in finding full-time, permanent employment.

Two staff members – known as Initiative Business Development Associates – are dedicated to guiding you along one of two paths:

(1) job development and business relations for locating job opportunities

or (2) various workshops and community networking designed to enhance employment opportunities.

Want more information?

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Homeless?

Need a job?



Employment Assistance & Support



91 PERCENT

of Colorado's Homeless were temporarily or episodically homeless people who had a life-changing event that left them without homes.

Why should I contact The Homeless Initiative?

1. Current Job Listings
2. Assessment of needs & barriers to employment
3. Resources for supportive services
4. Assessment for possible skill upgrade training needs
5. Resume evaluation
6. Placement Assistance/services
7. Job Readiness Workshops
 - Basic Computer Skills
 - Resume & Cover Letter Writing
 - Interviewing
 - Online Application Training
 - Internet/Email Classes

How can I find out whether I'm eligible?

- If you're in Denver and live in a homeless shelter
- If you're living or staying in Denver with friends or relatives and your name is not on the lease or mortgage
- If you're living in Denver on the streets or in a vehicle
- If you're in a halfway house for offenders and will be released into the City and County of Denver within six months and won't have a residence.
- If you're unemployed and don't have the necessary resources to continue living in your Denver residence for more than 90 days.

What are the requirements?

- Participants must have a state ID and a social security card.
- Participants must attend a Homeless Initiative (HI) orientation. During the orientation, a Needs Assessment and a reading and math-skill evaluation will be conducted. An appointment will also be set with the Homeless Initiative Advisor.
- At the appointment, the participant will review the Needs Assessment and Basic Skills evaluation. The participant and the HI Advisor will develop an individual employment plan. This plan will include any services that may be available to help support and obtain employment at a livable wage.
- Participants are also required to attend Workforce-sponsored classes on computer basics, resume creation, online applications and Internet/e-mail for job search. Proficiency verification in any of these areas can exempt the participant from attending the designated training.