

Summer Brings Hotter Job Market

WASHINGTON: 06/15/09 -- A wave of relief washed across the US workforce last Friday, as May's unemployment numbers reported a slowdown in the expected number of job-cuts for the first time since last September. A positive long-term sign for the job market, but what about the people without jobs now?

Although no one can say for sure what the future holds, professional recruiters are watching particular industries and regions where federal stimulus was heavily injected, and as a result, are beginning to show signs of life. Industries like health care, education, human resources, and energy in major metropolitan areas such as New York, DC and Connecticut, appear to be gearing up for growth and likely planning for new employment this fall and winter.

"The signs are looking better and hiring is picking up in anticipation of year-end growth," says Carolyn Thompson, DC's leading careers expert and president of CMCS, an executive placement firm to the DC area, "now is the time for job-seekers to keep their eyes out for new opportunities and step-up their efforts."

Submitting resumes online and making an occasional phone call may have passed for par just a few years ago, but it's hardly enough effort on today's playing field. Expectations have changed and it's not just the top resume that makes it into the interview room, but candidates who show commitment and creativity when promoting themselves.

According to the careers expert, "The standard lines of communication are traffic-jammed -- the people who end up with positions in this market are the ones who go the extra mile to make contact and impart a lasting impression on a hiring manager or HR rep."

Carolyn, who lands mid- to high-level executives in positions across the United States and abroad, places strategy as the cornerstone of her success and encourages all job-seekers to think of themselves as their own personal recruiter.

"Develop a strategy, stay on point and do your homework before walking into any interview room" Carolyn says.

For job-seekers with specific questions or in need of assistance polishing a resume, finding a job or preparing for interviews, on-demand webinars, publications and other resources can be found on both of Carolyn's websites: www.carolynthompson.net and www.cm-cs.com.

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