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Career Fair Provided Hope to 3,000 Job Seekers

CHICAGO, IL. – Addressing the dismal unemployment numbers in Illinois and the Chicago area, state Rep. La Shawn K. Ford (D-Chicago) helped to bring employers to qualified job seekers at a career fair he hosted in Chicago

The career fair was held on Wednesday, June 23, at Malcolm X College, in Chicago. Over 80 employers and local non-profits were available to assist an estimated 3000 job seekers.

According to the Economic Empowerment Institute, more than 903,000 Americans lost their unemployment benefits last week. In Illinois, the unemployment rate continues to stay in the double digits.

“By teaming up with Central Management Services, the Chicago Urban League, the great staff at Malcolm X College and the many vendors, we were able to offer options for job seekers who braved the rain to attend the event,” Ford said. “It is tough to find a job now, and we hope that practical information about real jobs was gained by those who attended.”

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First Photo: Thousands speak with employers and local non-profits at Ford's Career Fair

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Second Photo: State Representative La Shawn K. Ford (left) and Malcolm X College President, Ghingo W. Brooks

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