



## Council For Lifelong Learning

# Workforce Florida, Inc./ First Jobs/First Wages Council

## Fact Sheet

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| <p>1. What is the First Jobs/ First Wages Council?</p>                             | <p>The First Jobs/ First Wages Council (Council) is one of three standing councils within Workforce Florida Inc., tasked with developing strategies to target the needs of job seekers and employers. (See the Workforce Florida, Inc. Fact Sheet.)</p>  |
| <p>2. What purpose does the First Jobs/First Wages Council serve?</p>              | <p>The Council promotes successful entry into the workforce through education and job experience, including school-to-work initiatives that enlist business and community support to ensure that students have the educational and occupational skills required to succeed in the workforce. The Council also addresses adults entering the workforce for the first time and youth programs related to welfare reform.</p>   |
| <p>3. What type of strategies does the First Jobs/First Wages Council develop?</p> | <p>The Council is tasked with developing strategies that expand basic workplace skills and the experience of young people and first-time working adults throughout Florida. The Council develops a youth workforce plan, providing a blueprint for agencies and communities to fit together the vast array of programs and resources to leverage dollars from state and federal programs.</p> <p>Other objectives of the Council are to develop, on behalf of the Workforce Florida, Inc., Board, guidelines for regional First Jobs/First Wages Committees to craft local programs, develop community partnerships, and leverage community resources.</p> |
| <p>4. How does the First Jobs/ First Wages Council fulfill its purpose?</p>        | <p>The Council links first-time workers to available training and education programs. First-time entrants may include students, displaced homemakers, older Americans, veterans, persons with disability or welfare recipients as well as youth who are no longer enrolled in schools. A series of strategies are developed to help new workers be successful in their careers.</p>  |
| <p>5. What are the applicable statutes and rules?</p>                              | <p>Section 445.005 F.S. -- First Jobs/First Wages Council of Workforce Florida, Inc.</p>   |
| <p>6. Where can I get additional information?</p>                                  | <p>Workforce Florida, Inc.<br/>325 John Knox Road, Building 200<br/>Tallahassee, FL 32303<br/>(850) 921-1119<br/><a href="http://www.workforceflorida.com">www.workforceflorida.com</a></p>  |

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