



## Did You Know...

Wahkiakum Community Network was awarded a Work Readiness Grant for Wahkiakum County!

Wahkiakum Community Network is partnering with Wahkiakum Port District #2 in Wahkiakum County's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Summer Youth Employment Program. This program:

- Offers summer employment for ages 14 to 24 from July 7<sup>th</sup> - August 14<sup>th</sup> who meet eligibility requirements.
- Provides opportunity to work at sites such as Port Districts 1 and 2, St. James Family Center, and WSU extension.
- Develops work readiness skills, including:
  1. Financial management, business orientation, resume building and collecting letters of reference, complete computer based job searches, and earning CPR cards.
  2. Explores resources such as Lower Columbia College, Work Source Center in Kelso, WSU Wahkiakum County Extension Office and other local resources available in our community.
  3. Offers practice in interview techniques; learning proper work attire; employee-employer relationship; work ethics; and work site behaviors and standards.

This summer employment program is a wonderful opportunity for eligible citizens to develop skills training, work experience and summer employment. If you would like to know more about this project, please contact Tammy Peterson, Wahkiakum Community Network Coordinator.

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**NEXT PUBLIC BOARD MEETING: August 5, 2009 6:00 – 8:00 PM**

**River Street Meeting Room 42 River Street, Cathlamet**

*Supporting community-based changes to improve the lives of children and families*