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Rapid City Public Library partnering with the SD Department of Labor

Rapid City, SD – April 3rd, 2009 – With the current economic downturn coupled with several local business closings and layoffs, many residents of Rapid City and the surrounding area find themselves seeking employment. Job searching has changed much in the last decade. Unfortunately, some job seekers may be unaware of the available resources that are now necessary for successful job searches. Digging through the Classified Ads or handing out resumes at Job Fairs is no longer the only way to search for a job. Job seekers now have the opportunity to utilize online resources. The Rapid City Public Library offers these resources to improve job seeking skills such as resume writing, online resume posting, online job searching and networking.

The Rapid City Public Library and the South Dakota Department of Labor have teamed together with the hope of providing insight from employment professionals and to provide monthly courses in Social Networking for Jobs, Online Resume Posting, and Online Job Searching as well as more traditional skills such as Resume Writing and Interviewing Skills.

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The first Employment Workshop is a series of classes set at the RCPL-North location (10 Van Buren St. in General Beadle Elementary) that will run from April 25th to April 28th and will include:

- Employment Workshop 1: Basic Computer Skills – April 25th at RCPL-North (General Beadle) Computer Lab from 1 pm-2 pm (limit of 12)
- Employment Workshop 2: Online and Library Resources – April 26th at RCPL-North (General Beadle) Computer Lab from 1pm-2 pm (limit of 12)
- Employment Workshop 3: Applications and Resumes – April 27th at RCPL-Downtown from 6 pm-8 pm.
- Employment Workshop 4: Interviewing – April 28th at RCPL-Downtown from 6 pm-8 pm.

Classes are open to the public and or free of charge. The workshops requiring computer access will be limited to 12 attendees. Call 394-4171 to reserve a spot. The Rapid City Public Library will be offering this workshop series monthly as well. For more information on classes, visit our website at: www.rapidcitylibrary.org.

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The Rapid City Public Library has served the Rapid City area since 1879, and now has two locations, the downtown library at 610 Quincy Street and the north library within General Beadle Elementary School at 10 Van Buren St. Both offer print and electronic resources for adults, young adults and children as well as computers and Internet access and a variety of programs and events. In March 2008, USA Today named the Rapid City Public Library's downtown library as one of the nation's 10 greatest places to "Find a Nook and Read a Book."

Find video footage of RCPL events at: <http://www.youtube.com/user/rapidcitylibrary>
Find photos of RCPL events at: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/rcpl/>