



Upcoming 2020 Luncheon Topics & Speakers Schedule

City of Washington Civic Center

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February 6

Noon to 1 PM

“Apprenticeships for our Youth & Adults”

Dr. David Loope, BCCC President

Stacey Gerard, BCCC VP Continuing Education

Sara Watson, BCCC Apprenticeship Director

Glenn Sparrow, CEO PAS

Steven Silverthorne, Apprentice PAS

Apprenticeship Beaufort County is an employer-sponsored program that is a combination of on-the-job training and classroom instruction that prepares participants for careers with local industry partners. Upon successful completion of the apprenticeship program, the apprentice qualifies for an industry nationally recognized “journeyman” credentials in a skilled trade and an academic credential from BCCC. In short earn while you learn and become credentialed.

March 5

Noon to 1 PM

“Women in Business”

Elaine Marshal, NC Secretary of State

Jordan Cantrell, Owner Edward Jones

Additional Woman Owned Business TBD

North Carolina has over 330,000 businesses owned by women, who employ over 250,000 people and generate almost \$40 billion annually in sales. North Carolina ranks in the top 10 states in growth of the number of companies owned by women. *“In spite of some adversity from gender stereotypes and discrimination North Carolina is an amazing place for women-owned businesses. There is access to many resources, and some really amazing businesses have been created by women in North Carolina. North Carolina is a very supportive business community for women.”* Source: <https://carolinapublicpress.org/29073/women-owned-businesses-increasing-in-nc-despite-adversity/>



Beaufort County Economic Development Report December 2019



Fall 2019 RISE29 Project Presentations

The latest cohort (pictured above) in the RISE29 program made their project presentations from 2 to 6 PM on Thursday December 12th. In the audience in addition to the interns were representatives from the clients and target counties. Beaufort County is one of four Counties targeted by the ECU RISE29 program funded by Golden LEAF for business, job and investment growth. The Beaufort County clients were: the Pamlico Tap Room; the Washington-Beaufort Chamber of Commerce; the Arts of the Pamlico and a Farm Apps Business Start-Up. The 9 students assigned to Beaufort County worked in teams of 2 or 3 people over the Fall in the County and at ECU.

Specifically, the Beaufort County interns were:

- **Arts of the Pamlico:** Melany Contreras (Major Marketing) & Matthew Eugene (Major Accounting-Management)
- **Farm Apps Business Start-Up:** Jonah Johnson (Major History), Briana Rosa (Major Criminal Justice-Entrepreneurship) & Ze'Ondre Slade (Major Public Health)
- **Pamlico Tap Room:** Jarrett Fletcher (Major Finance), Benjamin Oke-Bello (Major Communications) & Heather Mosesso (Major Planning)

- **W-B Chamber of Commerce:** Adam Spach (Major Management-Marketing)

Current Employment Statistics

Unadjusted Labor Force Statistics			
USA '000	11/18	11/19	Δ
Labor Force	162,665	164,386	1.06%
Employed	157,015	158,945	1.23%
Unemployed	5,650	5,441	-3.70%
Unemp. Rate	3.50%	3.30%	-5.71%
NC '000	11/18	11/19	Δ
Labor Force	4,992	5,109	2.34%
Employed	4,812	4,936	2.58%
Unemployed	180	174	-3.33%
Unemp. Rate	3.60%	3.40%	-5.56%
GWCSA	11/18	11/19	Δ
Labor Force	109,106	111,089	1.82%
Employed	104,778	106,887	2.01%
Unemployed	4,328	4,202	-2.91%
Unemp. Rate	4.00%	3.80%	-5.00%
Beaufort County	11/18	11/19	Δ
Labor Force	19,623	19,727	0.53%
Employed	18,741	18,923	0.97%
Unemployed	882	804	-8.84%
Unemp. Rate	4.50%	4.10%	-8.89%