From Our Constituent Services’ Desk...

Our office receives several requests each year to assist in finding a job with a federal agency, and we are happy to offer advice on where to look for information on the process.

The first stop on this process is www.usajobs.gov. This website can be intimidating for the first time user, but the best information is found at Get started with USAJOBS. This section explains creating an account, how many distinct resumes you can provide, and tips for starting your job search. Some job announcements provide the link to the agency’s Human Resources page. If this option is available, be sure to connect with that office as soon as you apply for the job.

For Veterans, there is a dedicated Veterans website called Fedshirevets.gov. This site offers federal employment information for Veterans, transitioning military service members, and their families. On this site, you will find contact information for an agency’s Veteran Employment Program office. They are responsible for “promoting veterans’ recruitment, employment, training and development, and retention within their respective agencies.”

Some federal agencies have career assistance directly through their website. For instance, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has a dedicated section on How to Apply for careers with them. Everything from Understanding the Federal Hiring Process to Tips for Writing a Federal Resume. Learning to tailor your resume for each agency and each job is critical, and this list can be helpful.

For young adults, Job Corps could be an entry-way to a fulfilling career.

“Job Corps is the largest nationwide residential career training program in the country and has been operating for more than 50 years. The program helps eligible young people ages 16 through 24 complete their high school education, trains them for meaningful careers, and assists them with obtaining employment. Job Corps has trained and educated over two million individuals since 1964.”

Another option for students and recent graduates is The Pathways Program. This program offers three different paths: The Internship Program, The Recent Graduates Program, and The Presidential Management Fellows (PMF) Program.

For assistance, contact your local Department of Labor office for support in the job search process. Click here to locate a Career Center near you.

If you have other questions, please feel free to call our office at 770-429-1776 or email us at caseworkgal1@mail.house.gov. We look forward to serving you, should you need our assistance.