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The WorkSource Establishes Special Employment Office To Assist Continental Airlines and Its Employees

As the country comes together to assist those in need in the wake of our national tragedy, The WorkSource- Gulf Coast Careers has stepped up to the plate to help Continental Airlines and its 3,000+ employees who are being laid off here in Houston. It is establishing a special employment office for the company to assist all workers from Continental Airlines, Continental Express, and its related Chelsea Catering company who are losing jobs as a result of the crisis in the airline industry.

The special office opened October 1 and is located at 420 Lockhaven, Houston 77073, near I-45 and Bush Intercontinental Airport. Letters to all affected employees will be going out with details of the employment services.

The WorkSource- Gulf Coast Careers, which provides job search and training services through 30 employment resource offices in a 13-county Houston-Galveston service region, will be able to provide all of its usual services and more at the special Continental office. "Our real mission here," says Mike Temple, workforce manager for The WorkSource-Gulf Coast Workforce Board, "is to take care of these individuals. The staff is prepared to do a lot of listening to find out exactly what people need. We have a team of highly competent and caring people being assembled to staff the new office."

Employees who have been laid-off should call 281-209-9679 for information, or go to The WorkSource website at www.theworksource.org for ongoing information updates.

The WorkSource – Gulf Coast Careers provides extensive employment services at no cost to the job seeker, including job search assistance, labor market information, stress management seminars, financial management seminars, and financial assistance for those who qualify. Its offices are located in Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller and Wharton counties.

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