



# Ex Offender Virtual Job Fair

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The Department of Workforce Development's (DWD) Hoosier Initiative for Re-Entry (HIRE) program leaders along with the agency's Communications Department developed the idea of hosting a HIRE virtual job fair. The agency had previously experimented with virtual job fairs in various geographic regions and for veterans. The idea behind virtual job fairs is to provide access to employers seeking to hire without the need to travel or make other arrangements needed to attend a traditional in-person job fair. In this case, the virtual job fair was to be for inmates currently in prison but nearing release. Using the Go To Webinar platform, the HIRE virtual job fair would be offered in five prisons throughout the state in a large room where the inmates could gather to view and listen to the presentation.

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