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APPLICATIONS BEING ACCEPTED FOR SUMMER WORK PROGRAM

SUFFOLK, VA (May 19, 2009) – Applications are currently being accepted for the City of Suffolk summer work program, Summer Work Success. This program is designed for youth ages 16-24 and will provide meaningful experiences that assist in the development of skills and work habits in a challenging and rewarding work environment.

The work programs are open to individuals, who are not less than 16 and not more than 24, and meet general eligibility, which consists of providing a verification source for each applicable category.

To be eligible for these programs applicants must be:

- United States Citizen or Eligible Non-Citizen, **and**
- Registered with Selective Service (if applicable), **and**
- Low income, **and**
- Has one (1) or more of the following barriers:
 - Basic skills deficient
 - School dropout
 - Homeless, runaway or foster child
 - Pregnant or parenting
 - Offender
 - Household receiving public assistance
 - Public housing resident

- Section Eight housing resident
- Has a physical or learning disability
- Has no paid work experience
- Is living in a single parent home
- Has a Section 504 Plan or IEP
- Is behind one or more grade levels
- Individual (including a youth with a disability) who requires assistance to complete an educational program or to secure and hold employment

The program will run June 21 – August 20, 2010, and will involve approximately 28-30 hours of work per week, a work readiness component and an hourly wage of \$7.25. Positions will be assigned in the Department of Parks and Recreation. Available positions include: office assistant, recreation aide and custodial assistant.

Applications along with the required verifications must be received by 5:00 p.m., Monday May 24, 2010. Documents may be hand delivered or mailed to the Suffolk Department of Social Services, 135 Hall Ave. Suite B, Suffolk, Virginia.

Additionally the application may be accessed through the City of Suffolk's web site at www.city.suffolk.va.us/parks/

Applications can also be picked up from the following locations:

City of Suffolk Human Resources Department – 440 Market Street

City of Suffolk Parks and Recreation Department – 110 W. Finney Avenue

East Suffolk Recreation Center – 138 S. 6th Street

Suffolk Redevelopment and Housing Authority – 804 W. Constance Road

Suffolk Workforce Development Center – 157 North Main Street

Suffolk Department of Social Services – 135 Hall Avenue Suite B

Western Tidewater Community Services Board – 5268 Godwin Blvd.

Morgan Memorial Library – 443 West Washington Street

Northern Suffolk Library – 2000 Bennett's Creek Road

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