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Destiny Fellowship Becomes a SHARE Network Access Point

Jobseekers in Port St. John have better access to Job-Link services now, thanks to Destiny Fellowship. In its ongoing commitment to the community, Destiny Fellowship has become a new SHARE Network Access Point at the downtown corner of Church Street and King Boulevard.

SHARE Network Access Points are faith-based and community organizations where eager job seekers can go in their own neighborhoods or communities to look for jobs, assisted by trained individuals who connect them to the Job-Link system via computers and direct referrals

In partnership with the U.S. Department of Labor, the state of Florida and the Volusia County Workforce Board, Destiny Fellowship is donating space, staff time and volunteers to help jobseekers through the Access Point, said the Rev. Mark Guevara, senior pastor of the 125-member nondenominational church.

“Since we already provide a soup kitchen, clothing closet and emergency shelter for troubled people in the downtown area, it’s a natural next step to learn how to help them find employment and become self-sufficient,” said Rev. Guevara.

As a SHARE Network Access Point, Destiny Fellowship staff and volunteers will provide one-on-one help to jobseekers who may lack computer literacy, or just be uncomfortable with using the computer to seek job openings and related services. This is the first time that Port St. John downtown residents have been able to access Job-Link services without needing to drive or bus to the nearest Job-Link almost 14 miles away in Mims.

“I’m real happy because not only did they save me the \$6 bus fare to Mims, but he found me a job already,” said Destiny Fellowship member Helene Smith. The pastor found her a bank teller job within walking distance, while practicing the skills he learned from Job-Link during training to become an Access Point.

The new Access Point will open on June 1, 2008 and will be available to serve jobseekers from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, please contact Rev. Guevara at (555) 555-1212.

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