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## City Residents Gain Employment

### Petersburg Community Corrections and local businesses work together to employ residents

**Petersburg, Va:** Petersburg Community Corrections, the local pretrial and probation office, Goodwill Industries of Richmond, and W & G Transportation, Inc. are working together to provide employment opportunities and transportation services to local employers. According to the Director of Petersburg Community Corrections, Nicole Loving, "Today, probation officers assisted nearly 20 individuals with online applications for general labor and shipping/loader positions at Perdue Farms Inc. in Prince George, Virginia."



"Transportation, felony convictions and some misdemeanor offenses can be some of the biggest barriers to gaining viable employment," said Loving. "This ongoing partnership aims to connect individuals to multiple distribution/warehouse employers outside City limits and off the bus routes. Officers are prepared to assist individuals with applications for employment on a weekly basis. There is also a job readiness and financial empowerment component offered in connection with these services."

Loving also added, "Having transportation to and from an employer gives individuals access to jobs once unattainable, and provides meaningful and sustainable employment opportunities."

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