

AGENCY SUMMARY

Employ Prince George's (EPG)

Leadership

Walter Simmons, President & CEO
Jeffrey Swilley, Chief of Staff
Jeffrey Dufresne, Chief Financial Officer

Employ Prince George's [website](#).
Employ Prince George's [FY 2023 Approved Budget](#).
Employ Prince George's [FY 2023 Budget Report](#).

Core Services

- Link job seekers and businesses
- *For Job Seekers:*
 - Youth career connections
 - Veterans' priority services
 - Basic services to job seekers (group career readiness trainings, online trainings, job searches)
 - Intensive services to job seekers (vocational skill training, scholarships, transportation assistance, one-on-one career counseling, one-year follow up services)
- *For Businesses:* recruitment services, Maryland Workforce Exchange (online job search engine), interview spaces, job fairs, information sessions, incentives and tax credits, candidate pre-screening.

FY 2023 Priorities

- Provide workforce development services to job seekers and businesses, with a priority of services being directed toward job seekers with severe barriers, areas with high unemployment and/or low wages and small- to medium-sized businesses focused on hiring Prince George's County residents.
- Staffing and managing the operations of the Prince George's County Workforce Development Board, including managing the Prince George's County Public Workforce System/Prince George's County American Job Center Community Network and serving as the fiscal agent of the workforce system.

BACKGROUND

The federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act required the Prince George's County Local Workforce Development Board (WDB) to create comprehensive 4-year plans. Employ Prince George's (EPG) is the operator, and member, of the Prince George's County American Job Center Community Network, the administrative and fiscal agent of the Workforce Development Board. Originally part of the Economic Development Corporation (EDC), Employ Prince George's is a nonprofit corporation that separated from the EDC-Workforce Services Division in FY 2020. The goal of EPG is to link job seekers and businesses in high demand/high growth industries.

EPG maintains a First Source Registry of resident skills as a first point of hiring for County businesses. The agency submits a report with the number of government-assisted projects, the number of jobs that resulted from the agreements, the number of County residents employed, and the number of unemployed residents in the Registry (CB-17-2011, CB-115-2017).

Employ Prince George's, while not a county agency, *per se*, receives approximately 25% of their operating budget from a County grant.

5-Year Budget Review (2019-2023)

