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## Virtual Workforce Center opening at the Pueblo West Library

**PUEBLO** – Everything is changing in our digital-technology driven world, including training for a job and seeking employment. The Virtual Workforce Center at the Pueblo West Library will aid those who are job searching, business planning and much more by providing training and video conferencing software. A grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony will be held for the Virtual Workforce Center Thursday, May 31 at 10 a.m. at the Pueblo West Library, 298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd. This event is free and open to the public.

The goal of the Virtual Workforce Center is to provide every Colorado business with access to a skilled workforce and every Coloradan with access to meaningful employment, resulting in statewide economic vitality. This center will connect individuals with the Pueblo Workforce Center through sophisticated video conferencing software and provide individuals in rural areas with easier access to the services of the Colorado Workforce Center.

A major piece of the opening of the Virtual Workforce Center is the Your Workforce Center website located at <u>www.yourworkforcecenter.com</u>. This online tool is available on all library computers and provides resources such as posting a job, finding a job, resume and job search tools, skills training, information on unemployment benefits and more.

This center will provide monthly job-training classes and open the video conferencing technology for public use. The Virtual Workforce Center will allow users to conduct job interviews or meetings outside of the city, state or nation without leaving Pueblo County. Customers may reserve the use of the video conferencing software and a conference room by calling the Pueblo West Library.

This community resource is the result of a partnership with the Rural Workforce Consortium, whose members include the Colorado Department of Labor, Colorado State Library and Colorado Workforce Center. For more information on this grand opening event or the Virtual Workforce Center, please call 562-5660.



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