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Governor Promotes State's One-Stop Centers

Jackson, MS – Governor Ronnie Musgrove today promoted the use of Mississippi's One-Stop Centers at a press conference held at the One-Stop Center in Pearl on St. Paul Street. "Our state's One-Stop Centers are a one-stop delivery system designed to meet the needs of business, job seekers and people who want to further their careers," said the Governor.

The One-Stop Centers were developed through the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) implemented in Mississippi July 1, 2000. WIA is a federally funded program that provides for a unique workforce development and employment system by consolidating and improving employment, training, literacy and vocational rehabilitation programs. "We are working together with agencies, community and junior colleges and the Mississippi Employment Securities Commission to coordinate our efforts and make the most of every federal dollar committed to educating and training Mississippians," said Governor Musgrove.

One-Stop Centers provide one convenient location where job seekers and employers can get information about a wide variety of employment and job training services. Employers can find qualified workers with the skills needed to grow their business. Job seekers can get help with developing a resume, use computers, receive tips on job searches, prepare for an interview and fax their resume to potential employers.

"Through the development of these centers we are better utilizing our resources," said the Governor. "We are cutting down on the duplication of services we provide across the state, and we are maximizing and efficiently managing our funds."

There are currently 25 One-Stop Centers located across our state. "That means more Mississippians have access to the services that will help them improve the quality of life for themselves and their families," said Governor Musgrove.

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