PURPOSE
The Employment Program is designed to:

- Provide low to moderate income clients with comprehensive counseling and guidance to enable them to secure fulltime or parttime jobs in the St. Louis Metropolitan area.

- Assist clients with job and career placement in laborer to professional work force.

SERVICES
Our Employment Services include:

- Interviewing Skills
- Résumé Preparation
- Computer Access (online job searches and application)
- Job Search Assistance
- Career Counseling
- Job Readiness Training
- Job Referrals
- Post Placement Follow-Up

The Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis Employment Services Program receives funds from the United Way of Greater St. Louis.


**WHO WE SERVE**

The Urban League Employment Services Program serves residents in the St. Louis Metropolitan area who are self-referred or referred through other Urban League programs or other social service agencies.

**BENEFITS**

- Comprehensive counseling and guidance to enable clients to secure full time or part time jobs in the St. Louis Metropolitan area;
- Resumé preparation, job readiness assistance, soft skills and office skills testing;
- Referrals for employment consideration based on client’s education/skill levels and specific employers’ requested needs;
- Group employment orientation sessions are conducted on scheduled basis at the agency’s St. Louis County and St. Louis City locations; and
- One-on-one job counseling referrals to participate in workforce development activities.

**WHY EMPLOYMENT SERVICES?**

- Living wage employment remains a key element of the holistic approach of helping clients achieve economic self-sufficiency.
- Finding desirable employment provides a vital “ladder out” for African Americans and others trapped in poverty.
- The unemployment rate in the St. Louis Metropolitan region is three times higher for African Americans, than in white community.
- Statistics show that the largest barrier for African American to employment is the lack of soft skills like (interviewing, resume writing, etc.) that are also necessary to find employment.