



**OFFICE OF THE MAYOR**  
**CITY OF CHICAGO**

**RAHM EMANUEL**  
MAYOR

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Dear Chicago Business Executive:

Building Chicago's economy and creating jobs is one of my top priorities, but it is a task that requires the full attention and resources of both the public and private sectors. Chicago has approximately 124,000 unemployed residents, yet more than 131,000 job postings (especially in technology and healthcare) are often unfilled each quarter due to the lack of skilled workers. My job as Mayor is to create the conditions so you can invest and create jobs in Chicago.

Chicago Career Tech is one of the initiatives in the City that is helping close this workforce skills gap. They provide a pool of professional, unemployed Chicagoans reskilled for your current and future job openings. Chicago Career Tech also delivers training programs that provide corporate or classroom training and hands-on learning for the types of reskilled workers needed for your business. In addition, they partner directly with local businesses and offer a variety of recruiting resources. In fact, more than 100 Chicago companies have already hired Chicago Career Tech graduates.

I encourage you to learn more about Chicago Career Tech and benefit from this important initiative. Join the more than 150 organizations that currently partner with Chicago Career Tech to preview prospective hires by providing hands-on learning opportunities for Chicago Career Tech participants at no cost or obligation. The Chicago Career Tech team looks forward to being a resource to your organization.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mayor