



**Madison-Bond
Workforce
Investment Board**



MEMORANDUM

TO: Madison and Bond County Employers

FROM: Alan J. Dunstan, Chairman
Madison County Board

Rod Wolter, Chairman
Madison-Bond Workforce Investment Board

DATE: August 13, 2007

RE: *Workforce Development Week*

HR 0424 declared the week of August 27, 2007 as “*Workforce Development Week*” in Illinois in order to highlight the states’ workforce system. As a means to commemorate this special week, the Madison-Bond Workforce Investment Board, Madison County Employment and Training Department and Illinois Department of Employment Security are hosting a special event on Thursday, August 30, 2007 to showcase the accomplishments of the workforce system in Madison and Bond Counties.

The Madison-Bond Workforce Investment Board, as well as Madison and Bond County Government, is responsible for taking a leadership role in advocating, planning, evaluating, and developing local workforce resources. They ensure that the needs of employers are served by integrating services in order to best prepare individuals to meet the needs of business and industry. This is accomplished in conjunction with the numerous free services available to employers and job seekers through the Madison County Employment and Training Department and our partner agencies. Services include recruitment assistance, assessment testing, job fair/hiring event coordination, job tax credits, labor market information, on-the-job training (for qualified employees) and Virtual Video Interviewing.

An invitation detailing this special event has been included for your reference. **Please join us on August 30th from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Illinois Employment and Training Center (IETC - Alton One-Stop, 88-90 North Port Drive, Alton)** to celebrate “*Workforce Development Week;*” and, to discover how you can receive assistance with your employment needs. The Madison-Bond Workforce Investment Board and the Madison County Employment and Training Department are dedicated to helping shape and build a more dynamic and highly skilled workforce in Madison and Bond Counties, as well as in the entire Southwestern Illinois region. Our staff is anxious to showcase their services and accomplishments. And, we want to hear your ideas on how to better serve your needs.

We look forward to seeing you on August 30th.