



**NEWS from the Shelby County Mayor's Office**

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**SHELBY COUNTY MAYOR LEE HARRIS GIVES NOTICE THAT AMERICAN JOB  
CENTERS IN WEST TENNESSEE TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE TODAY DUE TO  
COVID -19 OUTBREAK**

Memphis, TN – The American Job Centers (AJC) in Shelby, Fayette, Lauderdale, and Tipton Counties will close to the public effective TODAY, Monday, March 23, 2020. The temporary closure has been ordered by the State of Tennessee as a precautionary measure to help slow the spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). AJC staff will continue to be available for appointments over the phone by calling 901-504-6580.

Said Shelby County Mayor Lee Harris: “These centers can see high volumes of job-seekers in relatively small spaces. As a result, we agree with the state that we should temporarily shutter these locations to prevent spread and support social distance. During this time, we will continue to offer job-seekers in our region support, but we will rely on phone appointments and expand use of our on-line resources.”

Said WIN Executive Director Kyla Guyette: “In this time when our business partners and everyday citizens will need our services more than ever, we will continue to work through contingencies on how we can best serve your communities while abiding by DOL’s decision to order temporary closure.”

The American Job Centers are administered by the Workforce Investment Network (WIN), the leading regional agency on helping West Tennesseans get jobs. WIN is a program of Shelby County government. Job-seekers may contact the AJC by calling 901-504-6580, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on normal business days. Additionally, job-seekers can still find

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lists of jobs and resources for job-seekers on our website,  
[www.workforceinvestmentnetwork.com](http://www.workforceinvestmentnetwork.com).

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