"GPS 2 Success"

Working to Connect People to Jobs, and Jobs to People



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Introduction

- Kosciusko County Diverse Industry
 - Orthopedic Manufacturers
 - Orthopedic Capital of the World®
 - Agriculture
 - Rivals orthopedic industry
 - Other
 - Publishing/Printing
 - Healthcare
- Workforce Statistics (12/2014)
 - State unemployment rate 5.8%
 - Kosciusko County unemployment 4.8%
 - Workforce 42,255 employees



Problem

- There are not enough qualified people to fill existing and new positions
 - Lack of awareness
 - Baby boomers retiring
 - Mismatched skills and education to open positions
- Existing companies cannot expand
 - Precision Medical Technologies (PMT)
- New businesses cannot relocate to the County



Investigation

- Distinguished Interviewees
 - Dr. Joseph Thallemer, Mayor, City of Warsaw
 - Brad Bishop, Executive Director, OrthoWorx
 - George Robertson, President, Kosciusko County Economic Development Corporation (KEDCo)
 - Mark Dobson, President and CEO, Kosciusko County Chamber of Commerce
- Findings
 - Need for expanded County-wide career fair
 - Open to general public



Solution

- GPS 2 Success Career Fair
 - Assist with the planning
 - Exhibitor Database
 - Venue & Logistics
 - Marketing & Advertisement
 - Open up the event to the general public
 - Enhance the technology component

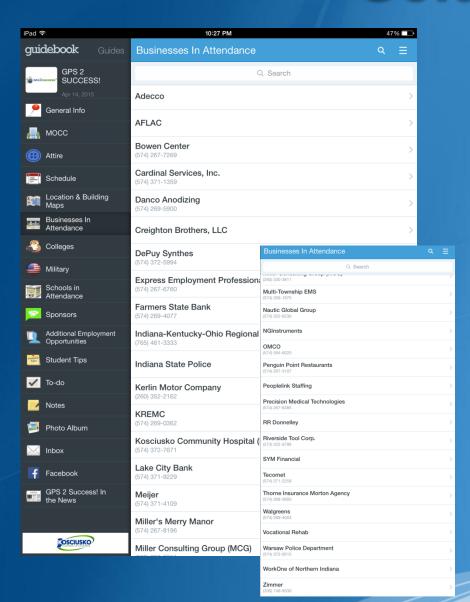


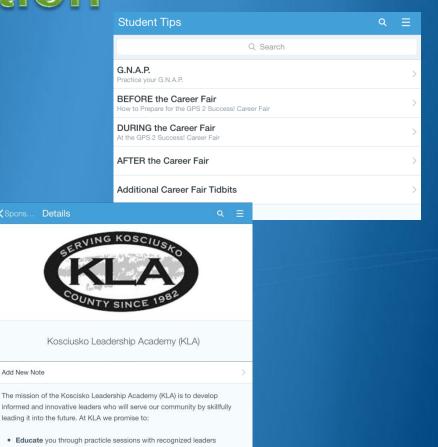
Solution

- Guidebook
 - Interactive app for use of communication before, during, and after the event



Solution





examining the issues that face our community

LINKS

Kosciusko Leadership Academy

• Enrich you by building a network of peer and community leaders.

. Challenge you to take action, get involved and make a difference in our

· Inspire you to see possibilities of our thriving community.



Conclusion

- Planning for 2016 and beyond
 - KChamber purchase of Guidebook (or similar app)
 - Attract quality exhibitors
 - Communication
 - Budget and advertising
- Northerner Award



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