



#### Virginia Statewide Summit on Racial Equity

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#### Rebuilding a Healthy Economy With a Focus on Racial Equity



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Income Status of Families in the Commonwealth Struggling in Our Economy

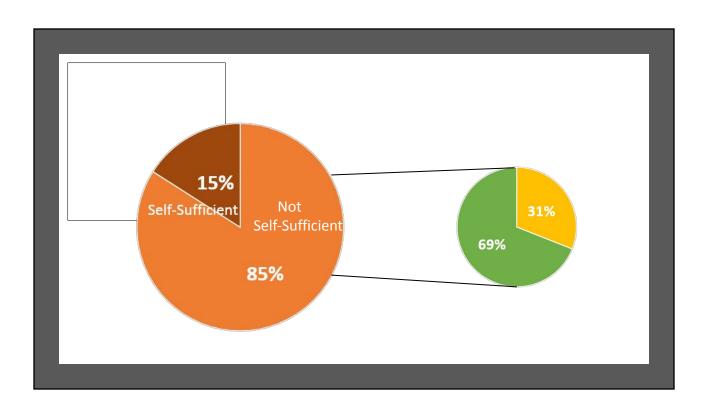


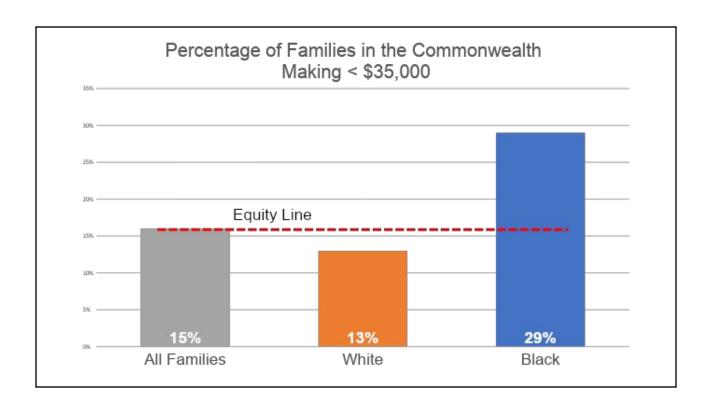
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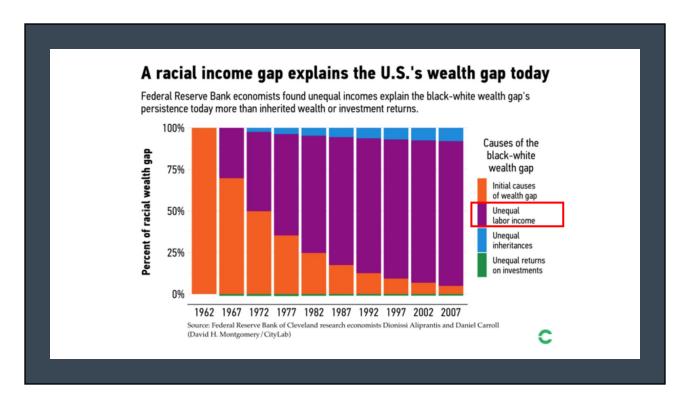
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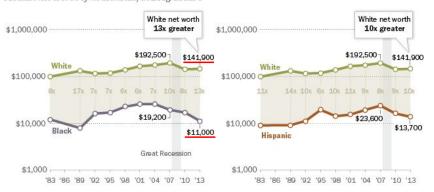








Median net worth of households, in 2013 dollars



Notes: Blacks and whites include only non-Hispanics. Hispanics are of any race. Chart scale is logarithmic; each gridline is ten times greater than the gridline below it. Great Recession began Dec. '07 and ended June '09.

Source: Pew Research Center tabulations of Survey of Consumer Finances public-use data

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## How do you solve poverty?

Give money to poor people.

There is only one group with the capability and interest in giving people money
—even more than they "need"—
month after month,

#### Employers.

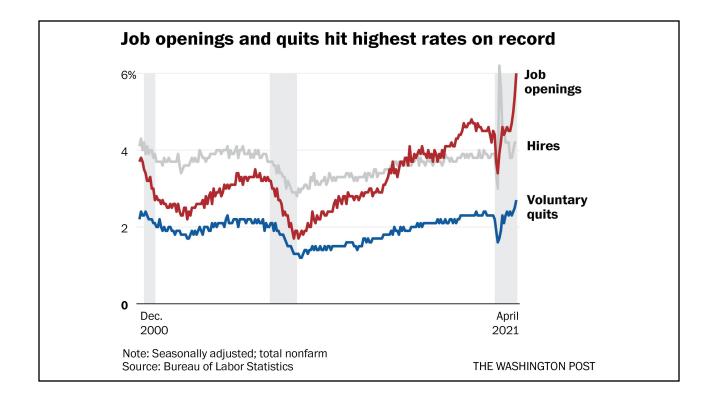


The 3-Step
Network2Work
framework





#### Talk to employers









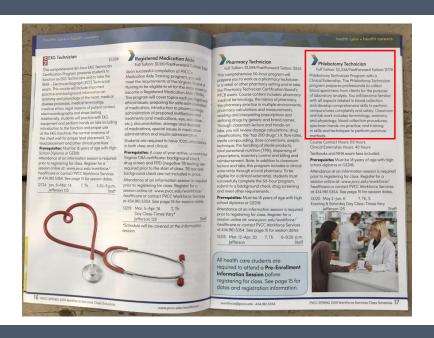
#### Recruiting Job-Seekers: The Ground Game





#### "The Secret Sauce"

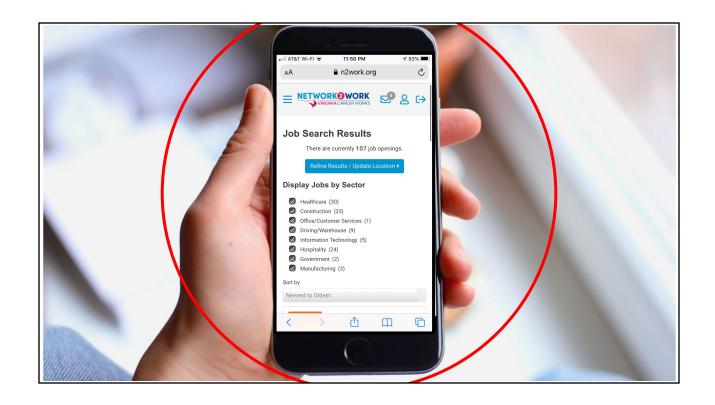


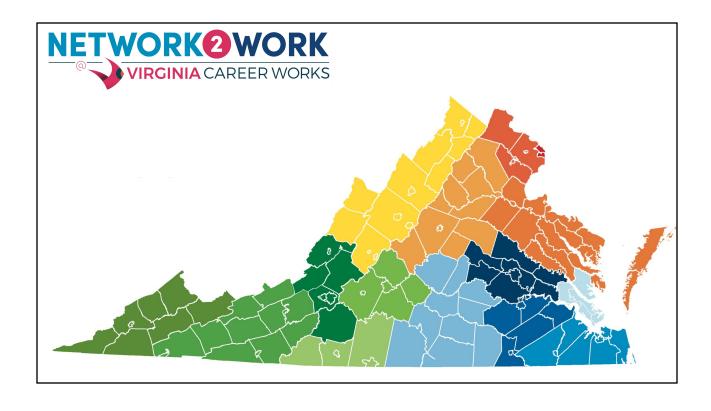


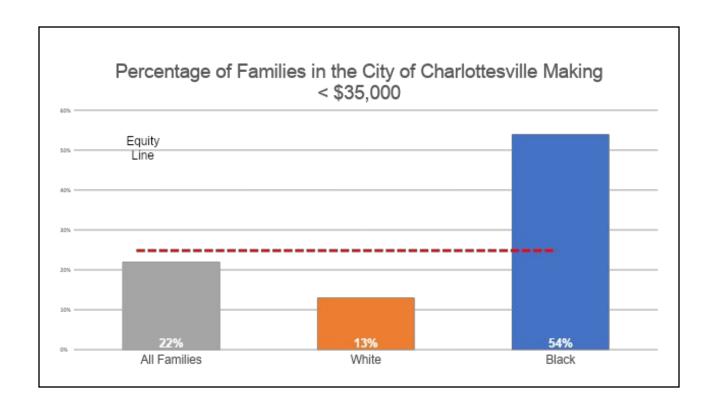
"A body of research suggests that many job seekers find employment using personal connections. For example, using retrospective survey data on recently completed unemployment spells, Blau and Robins (1990) report that contacting friends and relatives was the most fruitful job search technique for both employed and unemployed job seekers." Job Search Assistance Programs—A Review of the Literature, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, the Administration for Children and Families, HHS (12/2012)

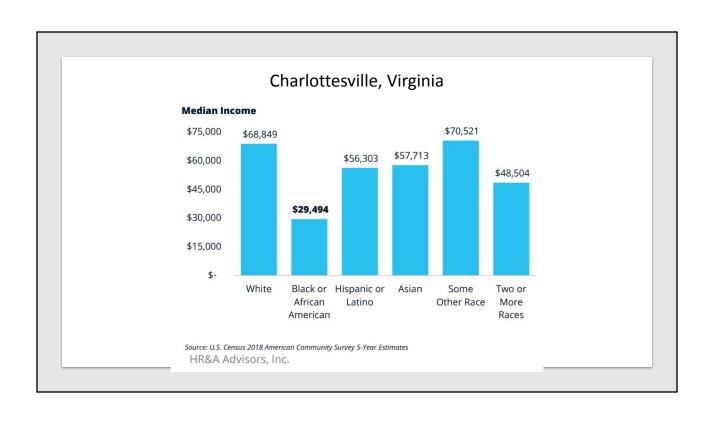
"But even if mobilizing a social network is a fruitful method of job search, it is not immediately clear how either individuals or job search assistance programs can operationalize this strategy." Job Search Assistance Programs—A Review of the Literature, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, the Administration for Children and Families, HHS (12/2012)

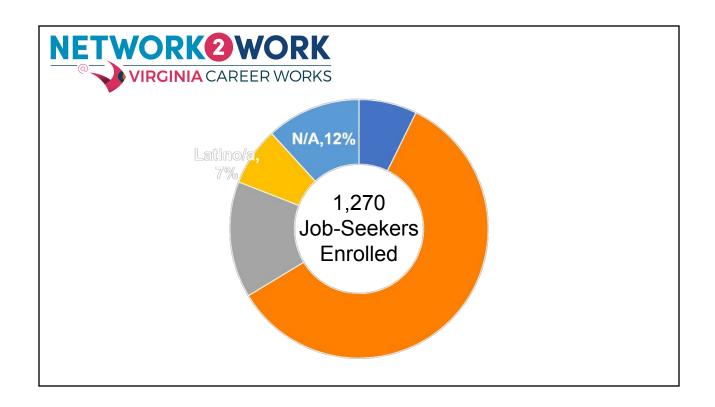
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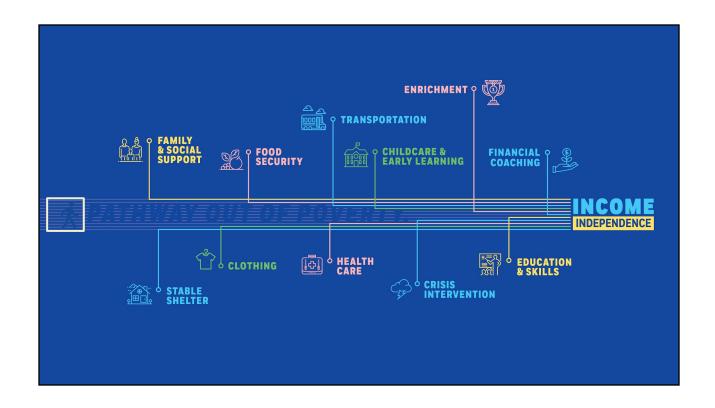


Remove ALL obstacles





#### Support the whole person



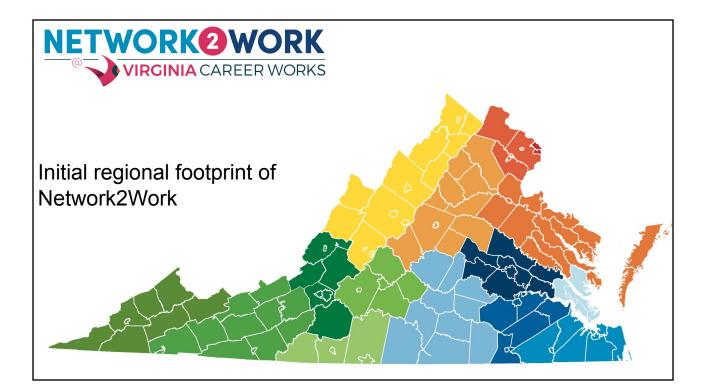


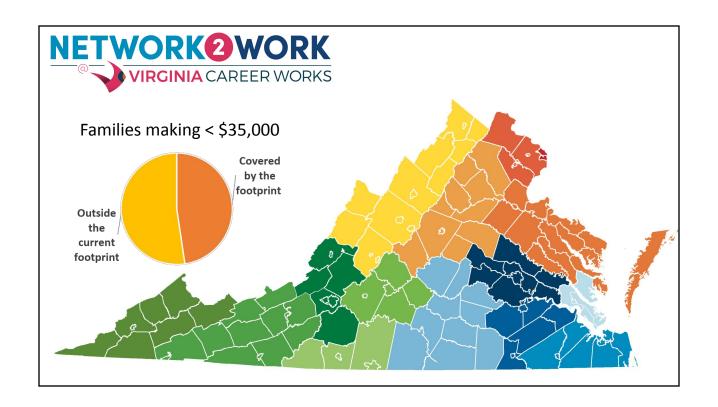


### Governor Northam Announces Expansion of Innovative Workforce Program to Help Get Virginians Back to Work

Virginia to invest \$1.7 million to scale up Network2Work initiative connecting job seekers to high-quality careers, wraparound supports

**RICHMOND**—Governor Ralph Northam today announced that Virginia will invest \$1.7 million over the next two years to expand the innovative Network2Work program, a unique workforce development initiative established by Piedmont Virginia Community College (PVCC) that connects job seekers with local job networks and support services. The Commonwealth will work in partnership with the Virginia Community College System to scale up the Network2Work model in the Shenandoah Valley, Hampton Roads, and Greater Richmond regions.









#### **THANK YOU!**

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