

On-The-Spot Hiring At Queens Job Fair

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Thirty-five employers conducted more than 800 interviews, hired 16 applicants on the spot and scheduled close to another 200 meetings with candidates they met at a job fair Thursday in Elmhurst sponsored by State Senator Jose Peralta in conjunction with Queens Center.

"We were able to help some people still struggling to make ends meet on the heels of the Great Recession," said Senator Peralta. "From past experience, I expect that a number of others will also end up getting offers in the near future as a result of the interviews they

scheduled and contacts they made at the job fair."

More than 1,000 job seekers turned out for the fair, held at the Queens Center. In addition to employers such as the Coca Cola Company, Time Warner Cable and United Parcel Service, the New York State Department of Labor and non-profit organizations were on hand to provide career counseling, as well résumé writing and interview preparation advice.

The fair was held at the Food Court, located on the lower level of the JC Penney wing of the Queens Center.

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