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## *Mayor Healy to Host Building Trades Job Fair for the New West District Precinct*

**JERSEY CITY** – Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy will be hosting a job fair for apprenticeships in the building trades for construction of the new West District Police Station from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** on **Thursday, May 17th** at the **Mary McLeod Bethune Life Center, 140 Martin Luther King Drive.**

The job fair will ask job seekers to file applications for apprenticeship opportunities in the following trades: bricklayers, carpenters, electrical workers, glaziers, HVAC laborers, operating engineers, plasters, cement masons, plumbers, tile setters and painters.

“In these tough economic times, it is crucial that people have the opportunity for gainful employment,” said **Mayor Healy**. “Through the Project Labor Agreement we enacted, developers of \$25 million projects or larger who receive a tax abatement are required to hire union labor and offer apprenticeship opportunities for Jersey City residents. Further, the City has set a policy that all City projects will be built with union labor and will offer apprenticeships to Jersey City residents.”

“A motivated and skilled workforce is essential for the economic health of our city and the apprenticeship programs offered at this job fair will prepare applicants for excellent, income earning careers in the building trades,” **Mayor Healy** added.

Applicants must meet the minimum qualifications to apply:

- minimum 18 years of age
- high school diploma or GED
- Driver’s license

In addition to Thursday’s job fair, **Mayor Healy** will also be hosting a job fair from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** on **Thursday, June 28th**, at City Hall for residents looking for work in such sectors as the hospitality industry, food service industry, the financial sector, and with local non-profits. Applicants will be required to have a minimum high school diploma or GED and be 18 years of age. Resume assistance is available at Jersey City One Stop at 438 Summit Avenue. Please call the Jersey City Office of Employment and Training for further assistance at (201) 793-6100.

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