

MINNESOTA STATE FAIR

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Minnesota State Fair Is Hiring Hosting a Job Fair on Wednesday, July 27 *Be a part of Minnesota's greatest end-of-summer tradition*

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St. Paul, Minn. – The Minnesota State Fair is hiring for fair-time positions at its Employment Center throughout the summer and will also host a job fair on Wednesday, July 27. State Fair job benefits include free fair admission, valuable work experience, making great friends and lifelong connections and being a part of Minnesota's most well-known celebration. The 2022 State Fair runs Thursday, Aug. 25 through Labor Day, Sept. 5. Visit mnstatefair.org/get-involved/employment/ for more information.

Throughout the summer, the State Fair will hire approximately 2,700 employees to work at the 2022 Great Minnesota Get-Together and currently there are approximately 1,200 fair-time positions to fill. Available State Fair positions include: ticket sellers, ticket takers, parking and park & ride attendants, rides & games ticket takers, barn attendants, custodians and more. Jobs are open to anyone age 16 or older and most jobs do not require prior experience. Depending on the position, shifts range from six to 12 hours per day for the 12 days of the fair.

“Working at the fair is perfect for those wanting to make some extra money at the end of the summer while having fun being part of a team working hard to present one of our state's greatest events,” said State Fair Spokesperson Maria Hayden. “We recognize that many businesses are facing staffing challenges. Currently we are more than half of the way to our hiring goal and hopeful the trend continues and we're able to fill all of our open positions,” Hayden added.

Currently there are two options for applying for fair-time jobs:

Attend the Minnesota State Fair Job Fair

The Job Fair will be held 4-7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 27 in the North End Event Center on the fairgrounds. Applicants will meet with a State Fair representative and, if their interests, availability and experience match an open position, they will be interviewed on the spot. Resumes are not needed. Applicants offered a State Fair position will be asked to complete an online background check.

Positions available at the Job Fair only include jobs with State Fair departments such as: ticket sellers, ticket takers, parking and park & ride attendants, rides & games ticket takers, barn attendants, custodians and more. (To learn more about employment opportunities with specific vendors, please visit the fair's Employment Center). Before coming to the Job Fair, job seekers are encouraged to register online in order to accelerate the process. For those who cannot or do not register online, registration can be completed on-site at the Job Fair. The online registration form can be found at mnstatefair.org/get-involved/employment/

Those attending the Job Fair can enter the fairgrounds through Hoyt Avenue Gate (#3) off Snelling Avenue, the Main Gate (#5) off of Snelling Avenue or the gate off Como Avenue (#7). For specific directions, please visit assets.mnstatefair.org/pdf/22-msf-job-fair-MAP.pdf. Metro Transit bus routes 3, 61 and the A Line serve the fairgrounds. Visit metrotransit.org/bus for details on catching a bus to the fairgrounds.

Visit the State Fair Employment Center

Those who are unable to attend the Job Fair but are interested in fair-time employment are invited to visit the Employment Center between now and the fair. Hours vary and can be found at mnstatefair.org/get-involved/employment/. The Employment Center is located across the street from the fairgrounds at 1640 Como Ave. Free parking is available. It is accessible by Metro Transit bus routes 3, 61 and the A Line. Visit metrotransit.org for details on utilizing public transportation to the fairgrounds. The Minnesota State Fair is an equal opportunity employer. Any applicant who needs assistance with completing the application process should contact the employment department at employment@mnstatefair.org or 651-288-4475.

Like the Job Fair, job seekers are encouraged to register online in order to accelerate the hiring process. For those who cannot or do not register online, registration can be completed on-site at the Employment Center. In addition to the State Fair department jobs mentioned above, various vendor jobs also will be available at the Employment Center.

Fundraising Opportunities

In addition to employment positions, the State Fair offers opportunities for groups of all sizes – teams, organizations, community groups – to raise funds while helping out during the fair. Opportunities available include working on the fairgrounds providing clean up services in the Coliseum, barns or around the fairgrounds. Opportunities in parking and park & ride lots and attraction ticket taking are also available. No prior work experience is needed as the fair provides training, equipment and supplies to do the work. For more information about these opportunities, please visit mnstatefair.org/general-info/contact-us/fundraising-opportunities/.

The Minnesota State Fair is one of the largest and best-attended expositions in the world. Showcasing Minnesota's finest agriculture, art and industry, the Great Minnesota Get-Together is 12 Days of Fun Ending Labor Day. The 2022 Minnesota State Fair runs Aug. 25 - Labor Day, Sept. 5. Visit mnstatefair.org for more information.

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