

**THRIVE PROGRESSO™  
BUSINESS DISTRICT**

**JOBS CREATION**

THRIVE PROGRESSO™ has more than 60,000 square feet of space that will be home for numerous businesses that are anticipated to employ approximately 200 people. With a wide range of possible tenants, from culinary to chiropractor, event planning to restaurant, and professional offices to personal services, numerous employment opportunities will eventually need to be filled.

Initially, the more than 60,000 square feet that comprises THRIVE PROGRESSO™ will undergo extensive renovations that will provide employment opportunities for many construction tradespeople to perform work such as demolition, electrical, plumbing, painting, flooring, drywall, and landscaping, to name a few. As plans are drawn and new tenant projects are identified, many of these tasks will offered for bid by the local construction community.

To enhance the project's positive long-term impact on the local community, a dedicated website, showcasing THRIVE PROGRESSO™'s unique "business community" environment and leasing opportunities, will also feature an element called the "Employment Exchange." This has been designed to provide both THRIVE PROGRESSO™'s tenant's and potential employees with an efficient and effective environment to "meet" each other. Tenants will be able to post specific employment opportunities on the Employment Exchange as well as contact one of THRIVE PROGRESSO™'s Employment Exchange Partners, which are detailed on the following page, to request access to employee candidates with specific skills or training consistent with the Partner's curriculum or database. The platform also features an active "employee posting" area where individuals can post information about their skills or desire to seek training in specific employment categories. Initially, the Employment Exchange will cater to THRIVE PROGRESSO™'s tenants. However, as the tenant population grows, it is anticipated the Employment Exchange will be expanded to include other businesses within the NWPf CRA District to provide the best opportunity for the community to benefit from this exciting transformation of the business area.

**THRIVE PROGRESSO™**  
**EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGE PARTNERS**

To ensure the Employment Exchange program is an effective and sustainable program, we have met with and enlisted the participation of the following organizations (in alphabetical order) that specialize in the education, training and placement of skilled job applicants:



Broward College – BrowardUP Program  
Contact: Dr. Mildred Coyne



Broward County Public Schools  
Contact: Lynn Goldman  
Coordinator, Community Relations  
Atlantic, McFatter and Sheridan  
Technical Colleges



CareerSource Broward  
Contact: Jack Bennings  
Director – Workforce Services



Junior Achievement of South Florida  
Contacts: Debbie Elliott  
Senior Director of Workforce

Ken Urquhart  
Workforce Employment Manager



OIC (Opportunities Industrialization Center)  
of South Florida

Contacts: Newton Sanon  
President & CEO

Steffen Lue  
Employment Service Manager

As more employment organizations are identified, the list of “partners” will be expanded to include them.

**THRIVE PROGRESSO™  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS**

In addition to the above, we have also enlisted the assistance of the following economic development organizations to assist with identifying prospective tenants and employment incentive programs that can enhance the employment opportunities of both Thrive Progresso's employers and prospective employees:



City of Fort Lauderdale  
Department of Sustainable Development  
Contact: Michael Chen  
Economic & Business  
Development Manager



Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance  
Contact: David Coddington  
Vice President – Business Development

As with the Employment Exchange Partners program, we will be continually looking to identify additional Economic Development Partners to expand the reach of the program and the diversification of the tenant population.