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Job fairs such as the Office Net, which is one of several that are run each month around the Cle veland
area, opens a window into a vast, secretive economy that has helped keep the broader Ohio
region afloat, adding jobs and propping up home sales while unemployment surged and the housing market sank in other parts of the country.

The job fair was designed to link people together with potential employers.

The event had many recruitment agencies such as Cleveland Airport, Visiting Nurse Association, Avon Products, Empowerment Center of Greater Cleveland, Juice Plus Products, Humana Health, and Global Shipping Company to name a few.

More and more companies are saving time and effort by participating in fairs, as they can put up a stall and meet multiple candidates on the same day. This medium is popular with companies in the retail, hospitality, and banking sectors.

First Merit Bank participated by providing lunch for all the vendors. This job fair was not too crowded where the recruiters had time to really speak to the job seekers. Many job seekers tend to overlook job fairs as they may be viewed as crowded, competitive and confusing, considering there are so many recruiters.

Office Net Central was created in January 2010, by Delores “Dee” Perry, who learned of the idea and existing co-working office from her brother, Coleman Jordan, who was currently a Professor at University of Michigan, and aware of the co-working office there (Workandtileexchange.com).

Office Net is a convenient location with a professional atmosphere to focus on the development of one’s business. The location has a Café Corner where you can purchase coffee and snacks.

After researching and studying co-working offices in the country, Perry opened up Office Net Central April 16, 2010, in Cleveland, Ohio. Perry graduated from Shaker High School in 1974 and received a B.S. Degree in Communications from
Ohio University
in 1978.

After graduation, Perry moved to D.C. and worked for PBS (Public Broadcasting Service) for 4 years. She and her family moved to California, and she worked for the Benson television show.

From there, Perry and her family moved to Atlanta where she worked for Advertising Agency, Tucker Wayne & Co. but returned to
Cleveland
and, in 1991, began working with the Plain Dealer Newspaper as a successful advertising sales representative until December 2008, when she took the Plain Dealer buy-out.

Office Net Central was birthed in 2010 and Perry continues to make a statement in the business world.

Office Net offers:

•Cubicle Space $150/mo.

•Table Space $100/mo.

•Daily Table Space $25/day

•Hourly Table Space $5/hr.

•Conference Room rental $25/hr.

•Virtual Mail $25/mo.

•Other services (virtual administration, printing, and website info).

Office net aims to develop the Euclid/Lakeview area by offering employment strategies and business development suggestions to students and residents.

“We wanted to have this job fair to offer employment help and hope, during these tough economic times,” said Perry.

You can reach them at www.OfficeNetCentral.com or at (216) 991-8716.