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## JET WELCOMES RHONDA LAMKE AS CAREER COUNSELOR



**JET, which serves adults, dislocated workers, public assistance recipients, and youth ages 14+ on career paths to employment in a seven-county area of Northeast Minnesota welcomes Rhonda Lamke. Rhonda was hired to fill a role as Career Counselor serving MFIP and DWP clients in JET's Aitkin, MN office and will also be helping out in the Virginia, MN office.**

The positive work culture and teamwork within JET is what Rhonda states motivated her to accept this position. Having been on the job a few weeks now she has added that she is appreciating the support, guidance, and encouragement of her fellow co-workers. Marie Domiano, JET's Executive Director, says "Rhonda was hired because she has significant experience working with individuals and families on public assistance and has a clear passion for guiding and mentoring people towards meaningful, family-sustaining employment. We are so grateful to have her on our JET team!"

Rhonda describes her professional background as "Jane of All Trades" having worn many hats which gives her insight into multiple industries where many of her clients will end up working. Rhonda's background includes, most recently, a Career Counseling position with another employment and training provider, Early Childhood Teacher, Self-employed Daycare Provider & Nanny, Healthcare and Dentistry-related occupations, Accounting position plus a wealth of Customer Service in varying industries all of which will contribute to her success in this new position.

For educational qualifications, Rhonda brings a Bachelor of Arts degree in Organizational Behavior from the College of St Scholastica graduating Cum Laude, an Associates plus Associates in Applied Arts degree in Young Child Education from Central Lakes College graduating Phi Theta Kappa. She also earned a Registered Dental Assistant degree at the Medical Institute of Minnesota.

Rhonda was kind enough to share a few personal facts with us including her personal motto or handle "Be able to laugh at yourself." which is a great reminder for us all. Being an awesome Mom is something that Rhonda takes pride in and has considered to be her number one job. She has two adult children; a son who lives in Brainerd and a daughter who lives in Georgia with her fiancé' and Rhonda's three grandchildren, a fourth sibling, six cats and one dog. She also loves collecting quirky items and Gnomes. Rhonda lives with her 88-year-old Dad since her mother passed away. Her selfcare go-to's are chocolate, music, and car rides which all go together nicely!! She also loves movies and a variety of music but 80's is her go-to; #MTV!! For food she loves Hibachi and yum-yum sauce, and her Dad, who she says is a great cook, makes a mean spaghetti. Rhonda's fave past co-workers would say that she's funny and fun to work with.

Celebrating almost 50 years in workforce development, JET serves job seekers including dislocated workers, people wishing to enter or re-enter the workforce, adults interested in training and education and youth ages 14-24. Services include career planning and exploration, personalized job search strategies, funding for postsecondary education, and financial resources to support job search activities.

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