

HCC Summer Youth Program

Lori had a great time participating in the HCC Summer Youth Program, July 1st. I was teamed up with Kim Scott from Casper's. We gave the students an overview of what employers are looking for and conducted mock interviews. The students were so receptive.

It is funny how things work. Chuck Sykes, reached out to Holly because Brian Hollands, Business Development Officer, The Corporate Training Center at HCC did not have the resources or staff to make this 2-week program successful. One of the reasons I love working with Holly Tomlin is her commitment to our community and her support and encouragement of our volunteer leadership roles.

The HCC Summer Youth Program was a chance to serve in a capacity near and dear to my heart. I was on the Philadelphia Urban League Advisory Board for Job Readiness Training for six years. When I relocated to Tampa in 1987, I joined the Tampa Hillsborough Urban League Advisory Board and served as Chairperson for the Job Readiness Training Screening Committee for eight years. Proudly, I attended every one of their graduations from the program and watched many go on to college to become doctors, lawyers, architects and engineers. One of my proudest moments was being recognized at the national meeting and awarded the Exemplary Volunteer of the Year award in 1994. I was so disappointed when the government cut our program funding. Many fond memories came flooding back and it was great to be back in the saddle again.