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WWRC Receives Donation of Surplus PC's from Blue Ridge Community College

Fishersville, VA – The Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center (WWRC) is pleased to announce the receipt of 28 Surplus Personal Computers from Blue Ridge Community College. The PCs will be used in the Center's Microcomputer Support Specialist (D.O.T. 039.264-010) training curriculum.

The donation was a collaborative effort between James Richerson, Associate Professor at BRCC and Mike Curry, WWRC Instructor

Microcomputer Support Specialist Students will acquire skills and knowledge necessary for an entry-level employment as a computer support specialist. Two certification paths are available for this career goal: A+ and MCDST (Microsoft Certified Desktop Support Technician). Computer Support Specialists provide technical assistance and training to computer system users. They investigate and resolve computer software and hardware problems of users. They answer students' inquiries in person and via telephone about the use of computer hardware and software, including printing, word processing, programming languages, electronic mail and operating systems.

"James is one of my training program advisors. He arranged donations of countless computers over the six years that I have been here," said Curry. "This is the largest lot of computers that I have received to date, totaling 28 computers complete with keyboards, mice, and 15" flat-panel monitors. The computers have some very nice features."

Additional assistance with the donation was provided by BRCC's Tom Ward for facilitating the physical transfer, and Robert Baldygo, Vice President of Finance and Administration.

"Our students and area employers demand that the computers that we use be the latest and the greatest, almost on the extreme leading edge of available technology. Our need to replace them on an extremely short cycle, occasionally leaves us with supplies of surplus computers that have many years of useful life remaining. In this regard, I am delighted to be able to have worked with the folks at Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center, who have made such wonderfully effective use of these computers over the years," said Baldygo who approved the transaction.

Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center is the first state-owned and operated comprehensive rehabilitation center in the country. WWRC provides comprehensive medical, assistive technology and vocational rehabilitation services to persons with disabilities to help them gain increased independence and employment. WWRC is a division of the Virginia Department of Rehabilitative Services.

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