



Organization Name: Bread For Life, Inc. (www.breadforlifeathens.org)

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Organization Overview: Bread for Life is a non-profit organization that brings together leaders in the local hospitality industry as instructors, a credentialed baker to oversee production, an experienced educator to direct the educational program, a dedicated crew of volunteers, and trainees who have the desire to embark on a career path that will lift them and their families out of poverty. This recipe for success combines a classroom curriculum plus hands-on training to prepare graduates for a viable, sustainable career.

Mission: Bread for Life provides hands-on training, instruction by industry professionals, and community support for men and women with the will to improve their lives and the desire to begin successful careers in the hospitality industry.

Program Overview: Accredited by the Georgia Nonpublic Postsecondary Education Commission as a certificate program, Bread For Life conducts 3-4 training sessions annually lasting from 10-12 weeks each, Monday through Friday from 11:00 to 5:00 each day (some days we start at 2:00 and go until 8:00 and there are occasional Saturdays and Sundays). Sessions typically begin in January, April, and August. Participants engage in experiential learning in the BFL bakery producing rolls and other baked goods to be sold to local caterers, restaurants, farmer's markets and other venues. Trainees engage in classroom based learning, taught by BFL Staff, regarding career exploration, job search, and general job readiness and also participate in seminars and site-visits provided by various volunteers representing the hospitality/food services industry (e.g. restaurant owners, hotel managers, representatives from the Classic Center, the Athens Convention and Visitors Bureau, etc.). If eligible for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) support, participants can receive stipends for child care and travel expenses (only for days & hours actually attended). To be WIA eligible individuals must be unemployed at time of enrollment; score at least at the 6th grade reading and math level on the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) and reside in one of the NEGRC Counties: Athens-Clarke, Barrow; Elbert; Greene; Jackson; Jasper; Madison; Morgan; Newton; Oconee; Oglethorpe; Walton. WIA support is not guaranteed and subject to availability of funds. When WIA funding is not available, participants can still receive a final performance bonus based upon successful completion of the program (maximum bonus is \$250 but will be reduced for non-attendance, tardiness, and other violations of program requirements).

Requirements: Submission of application and participation in an interview conducted by the BFL Admissions Committee (made up of the Executive Director, BFL Board Members, BFL Graduates, and local Employers); Clean drug/alcohol screen; no record of violent felony; ability to travel to and from The Classic Center each day of the session 30 minutes before start-time (by 10:30 a.m.) or to go directly to the BFL Bakery in Watkinsville; reliable child care (if relevant); a desire to learn about and develop skills related to employment in the hospitality/food services industry; a sincere intent to obtain employment upon completion of the program. Frequent absences, tardy arrivals, early departures or violations of BFL participation requirements can result in reduction of completion performance bonus and ultimately termination from the program (which will result in no completion bonus being paid). Participants must agree to maintain contact with BFL representatives after program completion to report employment outcomes. BFL staff are available to graduates to support them after completing the program in order to obtain and maintain their employment. Applications can be found at our website (<http://www.breadforlifeathens.org/apply.html>) and can be mailed to our offices or dropped off at the Classic Center (2nd Floor Reception Desk). Applications can also be scanned and e-mailed to us at contact@breadforlifeathens.org.

BREAD FOR LIFE, INC. -- Application for Program

Applications can be dropped off at The Classic Center, 300 N. Thomas St., Athens, GA at 2nd Fl. reception desk. Applications can also be mailed to Bread For Life at 3761 Mars Hill Rd., Watkinsville, GA 30677 or scanned copies can be e-mail to 'contact@breadforlifeathens.org'.

Date: _____ How did you hear about BFL: _____

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____ DOB: ____/____/____
Give full name, including middle initial.

Gender: _____ Race/Ethnicity (optional): _____ SS#: _____

Nickname/Alias/ what name do you go by: _____

Present address (or how best to reach you): Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ How long at address: _____

Home phone number: _____ Alternate number: _____

E-mail: _____

People living in same home:

Name	Relationship	Age
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Family/friend phone number/e-mail: _____ / _____

May we call/leave a message at this numbers/e-mail? _____

Transportation (How do you usually get to places you need to go?) _____

Own Vehicle Ride w/ others Bus Other _____: _____
(please explain)

If your own your own vehicle what hours will it be available to you Mon- Fri. _____

If you ride with others, is there someone that can take you to and pick you up from the Classic Center? ____ Yes ____ No. If yes, who? _____

What hours would they be able to transport you Mon – Fri. _____

Do you have a driver's license? Yes ____ No ____ . If yes would you be willing and able to drive the Classic Center van to transport Bread For Life trainees from the Classic Center to our location in Watkinsville and back to the Classic Center? Yes ____ No ____

EDUCATION/TRAINING

Highest grade completed: _____

Are you currently studying to get your GED or other type of credential? ___ Yes ___ No

Please list any other job training programs you've participated in and indicate if you completed:

_____ Completed ___ Yes ___ No

_____ Completed ___ Yes ___ No

EMPLOYMENT

Are you currently employed? ___ Yes ___ No. If yes, present employer's name and address:

Hours: _____ Pay: _____ How long there? _____

Job Title/Type of work: _____

If you are not currently employed; what was your most recent employer's name and address?

Hours: _____ Pay: _____ How long there? _____

Job Title/Type of work: _____ When did you leave this job? _____

What was your reason for leaving? _____

Think about why you have left jobs in the past. Please list the reasons you quit or were let go.

What are your goals as far as employment/What type of job/career are you most interested in?

What has kept you from pursuing this goal? _____

Do you have a criminal history? If yes, please explain: _____

Has your criminal history affected your ability to get or keep a job? ___ Yes ___ No

INTEREST IN BREAD FOR LIFE

How did you hear about Bread for Life? _____

Why did you decide to submit your application for the Bread For Life program?

Explain how participating in Bread For Life can help you achieve your employment goals?

What concerns or questions do you have about enrolling in the Bread For Life program?

Which of the following positions/departments are of most interest to you *(check all that apply)*

Host(ess)_____	Bartender_____	Waitress/waiter_____	Front Desk_____
Chef_____	Bellhop_____	Line Cook_____	Reservations_____
Cashier_____	Banquets_____	Food Prep _____	Sales _____
Accounting_____	Laundry_____	Housekeeping_____	Dishwasher_____
Concessions_____	Maintenance_____	Other: _____	Other: _____

Are you currently pursuing other training or employment opportunities? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, please explain: _____

What reasons might there be for you to miss a day or be late to Bread for Life

_____ Illness (physical or mental health)

_____ Child/family illness

_____ No transportation

_____ Oversleeping/forgetting

_____ Being too tired

_____ Just not feeling like coming in

_____ Other: _____

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

Applicants selected for the program will be required to successfully pass a drug test (paid for by Bread For Life) and a back-ground check which applicants must obtain for \$20 (which will be reimbursed if you are accepted into the program) from the Athens-Clarke County Sheriff's Dept.

Participants must commit to working on-site at Bread for Life for 30 hours a week, Monday through Friday for 12 weeks, plus additional travel time.

What hours are you available & willing to participate? _____

What hours are you unavailable/unwilling to participate? _____

Could you be available on Saturdays or Sundays, if needed? ____ Yes ____ No

The program provides an opportunity to receive training and test for ServSafe® certification (providing a score of 75 or better is achieved on the test). The goal of the Bread for Life program is 90% placement into a career in hospitality industry upon completion of the program.

Is it your desire to start a career in the hospitality industry after Bread For Life? ____ Yes ____ No

Do you plan to get a job in another field after Bread For Life? ____ Yes ____ No

For those who are eligible for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) services, and only if funding is available, Bread For Life can provide a small travel stipend (up to \$8 per day) and assist with child care expenses (up to \$10 per day) for up to two children under the age of 13 years. WIA is designed to support unemployed individuals in the Northeast Georgia region to receive training and become employed. Males must be registered for Selective Service to be eligible and BFL requires trainees to score above the 6th grade level on math and reading on the Test of Adult Basic Education (TABE) to be eligible for WIA support. To remain eligible for WIA services, individuals must maintain regular attendance and perform satisfactorily in the Bread For Life training program. After you have completed your program of study, you **must actively seek employment, go to work and verify your employment with Bread For Life staff**. WIA staff will contact you each quarter to track and record your employment status and wage information.

For those accepted into the program, Bread For Life offers a "completion bonus" with a maximum amount totaling \$250 per session. The stipend is paid only upon successful completion of the program, with the amount being reduced for each daily absence, tardy, or early departure. The stipend will also be reduced for unsatisfactory performance and will not be paid if a trainee does not complete the program.

Please initial here to show you have read this section and understand the requirements: _____

Photographs will be taken of students working in the teaching kitchen, classroom and site-visits during the course of the program. These photographs may be used for promotional materials for the Bread for Life program. Do you agree to this use of the photographs? ____ Yes ____ No

What else would you like us to know about you or what questions do you have? _____
