

PORTLAND, OR.—Congressman Earl Blumenauer (D-Ore.) will tour Portland Community College's (PCC) Metro One-Stop in Northeast Portland tomorrow, Thursday, May 27th at 11:30 am. Blumenauer will meet with One-Stop employees and customers and discuss his ideas for improving the economy and creating jobs.

While touring the Metro One-Stop facility, Blumenauer will meet with several dislocated workers who have turned to Metro One-Stop to help get them back on their feet and find work in this troubled economy. Oregon's economy has lost 65,000 jobs since President Bush took office and continues to have one of the highest unemployment rates.

"Thousands of Oregonians have lost their jobs under the current administration and many are holding down jobs that pay less and provide fewer benefits," said Blumenauer. "Congress could bring relief to these workers by enacting legislation such as the federal transportation reauthorization bill that would create thousands of good family-wage jobs immediately. Instead the Bush administration has threatened to veto this jobs bill and continues to push tax cuts for those who need help the least."

The Metro One-Stop, operated by PCC, is part of a network of One-Stop Career Centers in Washington and Multnomah Counties that are funded by Worksystems, Inc. (WSI) with Department of Labor Workforce Investment Act (WIA) dollars. The Metro One-Stop provides career preparation and training services to thousands of area residents.

WHAT: Blumenauer Tour of Metro One-Stop

WHERE: Metro One-Stop
5600 NE 42nd, Building 1, Portland.

WHEN: Thursday, May 27
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM