Across North Carolina, public libraries are contributing to workforce development by providing employment resources, one-on-one instruction and online job application assistance, classes on job skills, employment listings, job fairs, and collaborating with local partners on workforce development projects. Below is just a small sample of what NC public libraries accomplished during FY 2013-14.

NC public libraries collaborate with a variety of organizations such as NC Works, community colleges, local small businesses and workforce development organizations to offer career and technology skill building programs.

84% of NC public libraries offer technology classes.

2,764 career related programs were offered at NC public libraries.

56,587 North Carolinians attended a career or technology workshop at their public library.

77% of Americans ages 16 and older say free access to computers and the internet is a very important service offered by libraries.¹

47% of job seekers say help form the library finding or applying for a job is very important to them and their families.²

NC Library staff answered just under 2 million job and technology related questions. That’s a question from 2 out of 10 NC residents or 2x the attendance of the NC State Fair.

100% of NC libraries provide access to job databases and other job opportunity resources.

References
All other data comes from the NC Annual Public Library Survey. http://statelibrary.ncdcr.gov/ld/aboutlibraries/statistics.html