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An employment expo showcasing job opportunities in Moonee Valley will become an annual event. Moonee Valley Mayor Paul Giuliano said the success of last Wednesday's expo, at the Clocktower Centre, ensured the event would be fixed on the calendar permanently.

About 26 local businesses provided job information to 200 visitors, including senior high school students, their parents, and career counsellors.

Expo organiser Wendy Dinning said the event, prepared by the Moonee Valley City Council, Western Local Community Partnerships and the Australian Industry Group, provided links between students and prospective employers. "We wanted to highlight the opportunities available to students within the municipality," she said.

Strathmore Secondary College careers adviser Antoinette Sampson said students had few opportunities to talk face to face with potential employers. She said students could relate better to employment opportunities in their local area than in the CBD. "They can have an immediate connection to businesses that they drive past every day with the employer's name on it."

About 20 per cent of employed residents in Moonee Valley work within the municipality. A quarter of the businesses in Moonee Valley are in the property and business services industry, while construction and retail is the municipality's second-largest industry. Of the 70 per cent of residents employed outside Moonee Valley, the majority work within the City of Melbourne.

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