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Friday, Oct. 7, 2021 at 12 p.m.
Businesses in sectors like hospitality and retail are experiencing some of the highest labor shortages in decades. While traditional workforce systems help individuals learn new skills for in-demand jobs, experts are saying that skills alone won’t address the challenges before us today or equip us for opportunities that lie ahead. They are calling for new solutions that respond to the demands and expectations from workers and employers and advance the pace of innovation to prepare for the jobs of tomorrow.

What can we do to enable learners and workers today to prepare for the future? How can employers partner with workforce systems to ensure greater alignment between worker skills and business needs? Where can public policy be better aligned to support those in the field?

Joining us in-person at the City Club to discuss this is Tameshia Bridges Mansfield, vice president for workforce innovation at JFF. She oversees workforce development and future-of-work initiatives with an eye toward innovation and system transformation. Before joining JFF, Tameshia was a program officer at the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, where she led the workforce development and job access portfolio, addressing barriers that workers face in securing meaningful employment.

Have questions? Tweet them at @TheCityClub or send a text to 330.541.5794.

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One question per person. Make sure your question is an actual question, not a statement. Keep your question short, no follow-ups. This will allow us to fit in as many questions as possible.

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Thank you for joining us in-person at the City Club today!

As a reminder:

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- Need a mask? We have masks available for free in the lobby. Ask any staff member for assistance.

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Monday, Oct. 11 at 7:30 p.m. Virtual Forum
Cleveland Mayoral Debate: Voters First
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Wednesday, Oct. 13 at 12 p.m. Virtual Forum
A Conversation with Mayoral Candidate Justin M. Bibb
Justin M. Bibb is a Cleveland native who grew up in Mt. Pleasant on the southeast side of the city. He currently serves as the Chief Strategy Officer of Urbanova, a start-up focused on solving the unique challenges faced by mid-sized cities. He has also worked for KeyBank and Gallup. As mayor, Bibb says he will champion a new generation of leadership to solve Cleveland’s oldest problems and prioritize solutions to modernize city government, make our neighborhoods safer, communities healthier, and economy stronger.

Thursday, Oct. 14 at 12 p.m. Virtual Forum
A Conversation with Mayoral Candidate Kevin J. Kelley
Kevin J. Kelley was born in Cleveland and received his JD degree from Cleveland State University Marshall College of Law. Kelley was first elected to Cleveland City Council in 2005 representing Ward 13. In 2014, he was elected as President of Council and is chair of the Finance Committee and Rules Committee. As mayor, Kelly plans to forge a new path for every person and neighborhood in Cleveland by promoting public safety, workforce development, addressing the digital equity divide, and more.

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