



COMPASS ROSE

FOUNDATION INC.

"An Integrated Educational System"

## For Immediate Release Transportation Industry Leaders Come Together

JACKSONVILLE – September 6, 2013 concluded the last of three inaugural Program Advisory Committee meetings for Compass Rose Foundation's automotive technology, diesel technology and commercial truck driving programs. Employers, industry leaders and community partners came together to provide the foundation feedback on industry needs and expectations of a new vocational school in the Jacksonville area.

Compass Rose Foundation/Jones Technical Institute (J-Tech) would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone that participated:

Advance Service Plus

ASE/NATEF/AYES

Atkinson, Robert

Blandford, Roger

Chemstation

Comcar

Florida Detroit Diesel-Allison

Florida Trucking Association

Heart of Spades Garage Inc.

Heit, Jim

J.J. Keller

Jaguar Land Rover Jacksonville

Matco Tools

Mercedes-Benz of Gainesville

NAPA

Keiser University

Optimum Personnel

Raven Transport

Reliance Supply Inc.

Ring Power Corporation

RPM Automotive

Rush Truck Centers

Scott McCrae Group

Snap-On Tools

Stevens Transport

Suddath Relocation Systems

The Brumos Companies

The Car Whisperer

Tom Nehl Truck Co

Tuffy Auto

Werner Enterprises

"The ideas that were brought to the table will be instrumental in developing programs that will set the industry standard for entry-level drivers and technicians. We can now focus on areas that can really make a difference to all stakeholders, not just J-Tech. We will move forward with programs that will be a valuable asset to the transportation industry in the Jacksonville area and beyond", said Program Manager, James Sterrett.

Upon completion of the Program Advisory Committee meetings, Compass Rose Foundation submitted part two of their branch application for accreditation to the Accrediting Commission of Career Schools and College and its Application for Provisional License with the Commission for Independent Education, Florida Department of Education. The completion and submission of these applications puts Compass Rose Foundation one step closer to changing lives in Northeast Florida.

About Compass Rose Foundation, Inc. (CRF)

The history of Compass Rose Foundation is one of constant evolution. For decades, CRF has founded, governed and operated private institutions of higher learning. A review of our landing page, [www.compassrosefoundation.org](http://www.compassrosefoundation.org), will evidence our ever-evolving, but longstanding commitment, to the higher education community.

Compass Rose Foundation's latest endeavor, known as *Jones Technical Institute (J-Tech)*, will be a vocational institution of higher learning whereby its focus will be shorter-term Diploma and Occupation Associate Degree programs training students in high-demand trades including Automotive Technology, Diesel Technology, Heavy Equipment Repair, and Commercial Truck Driving.

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