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## **500 New Jobs Coming To Lawton**

(Lawton-Fort Sill, OKLAHOMA.) The Lawton-Fort Sill Economic Development Corporation, in conjunction with the City of Lawton, is pleased to announce almost 500 new jobs coming to Lawton, Oklahoma. Serco Inc. has finalized a lease agreement on a 55,000 square foot facility in Lawton Oklahoma, previously occupied by Assurant Solutions.

Serco Inc. is a leading provider of professional, technology, and management services primarily to the federal government. Headquartered in Reston, Virginia, Serco has approximately 9,000 employees, annual revenue of \$1.2 billion, and is ranked in the Top 35 of the largest Federal Prime Contractors by Washington Technology.

"We at Serco are grateful for the warm welcome from the Lawton-Fort Sill community and aim to become a true civic partner," said Alan Hill, Senior Vice President of Serco. "We selected Lawton for its readiness to support this program and strong workforce, and look forward to joining the community."

"This has been a great economic development project, not just for Lawton, but for the entire southwest region of Oklahoma," said Barry Albrecht, President/CEO of the Lawton-Fort Sill Economic Development Corporation. "It is working with our community partners, like Jason Wells of Insight Commercial Real Estate Brokerage, which make opportunities like this happen."

"The Lawton-Fort Sill Economic Development Corporation has engaged in new strategies to bring new jobs to Lawton," said Phil Kennedy, Chairman of the Lawton-Fort Sill Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors. "These 500 jobs are important to our community and we are going to continue to take actions to bring quality jobs to the region."

In July 2013, Serco Inc. was awarded a new contract by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services to support the newly created health benefit exchanges. Serco will operate four centers for the in-taking, routing, processing, reviewing, and troubleshooting of applications submitted for enrollment into a qualified health plan. Serco will comply with all applicable privacy statutes and regulations, including the privacy and security standards established by the Federally Facilitated Marketplace pertaining to the collection, use, disclosure, retention, and destruction of personally identifying information. Besides the center in Oklahoma, the other centers are located in Arkansas, Kentucky and Missouri.

"This recent economic development victory demonstrates our community's collective vision to diversify business opportunities within our community through smart growth initiatives," said Mayor Fred Fitch, City of Lawton. "Today's announcement reasserts the fact that the Southwest Oklahoma region is a significant economic development engine for the State of Oklahoma. It is new jobs like these that will help diversify and grow our local economy."

The Lawton-Fort Sill Economic Development Corporation is working with Serco officials in conducting a hiring event October 21-24, 2013 at the Lawton City Hall, 212 SW 9<sup>th</sup> Street downstairs Banquet Hall. Serco has posted these new jobs online and individuals wishing to apply directly can go online to <http://jobs.serco-na.com/lawton-jobs>.

The Lawton-Fort Sill Economic Development Corporation is a 501 (c) 6 not-for-profit corporation supported and led by the community's business leaders, city government, and top academic institutions. The Lawton-Fort Sill EDC collaborates closely with other entities throughout the southwest OK/Lawton region and the state to ensure a globally competitive and sustainable regional economy through quality job creation.

For more information, call the Lawton-Fort Sill Economic Development Corporation at (580) 355-3541 or visit us on the web at [www.lawtonedc.com](http://www.lawtonedc.com).

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