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At Home Jobs are Easy to Find According to Telecommuting Mom

Palmyra, VA – Each day, Leslie Truex, work-at-home mom and owner of Work-At-Home Success (<http://www.workathomesuccess.com>) and Jobs At Home Success (<http://www.jobsathomesuccess.com>) finds 100's of legitimate work-at-home jobs posted on the internet. Indeed, over 24 million Americans worked from home as an employee for at least 1 day per week in 2004 according to the International Telework Association and Council (ITAC). So why is it that thousands of Americans waste millions of dollars each year on work-at-home scams? According to Truex, the reason is that people don't understand telecommuting. "When people search for a traditional job, they search the classified ads based on their education, skills and experience. They submit professional applications and wait anxiously for an interview. But for some reason, when they want a work-at-home job, they search for some company that will let them sign up to lick envelopes. The truth is, telecommuting jobs are exactly like traditional jobs, they are just done at home."

Truex admits that she struggled to find legitimate work and fell for scams when she first sought to work-at-home. Eventually she clued in to the fact that all the telecommuters she spoke to had real jobs; the same kind of jobs found in the traditional job market. Since that time she has worked for companies online and off in a variety of jobs including writing and researching. Currently she telecommutes as a social worker for a Roanoke agency.

How can people find work-at-home jobs? Truex has a set of rules she recommends people follow when looking for a work-at-home job.

- 1) Recognize that you won't get paid to lick envelopes, glue bird houses, process email or any of the common work-at-home scams.
- 2) Never pay money for a work-at-home job. Legitimate employers never charge money to put you on payroll or to supply you with materials to do the job. Truex emphasizes that this rule is for work-at-home jobs and not home business.
- 3) Take inventory of your skills and experience. Employers are looking for employees who can fill a specific job and won't take just anyone.
- 4) Prepare a quality resume and always interact with potential employers in a professional manner. You have one chance to impress an employer and position yourself over the 100's even 1000's of other applicants.
- 5) Search for jobs where jobs are posted. Online job search sites and classifieds are good resources though Truex warns scams and biz ops do get posted on these sites. Learn to recognize a legitimate job from the scam...hint: asking for money is a clue.
- 6) Don't be afraid to invest in education, a quality job search service, or resume assistance. This is not buying a job but paying for services that can increase your odds of finding and obtaining a job.
- 7) Commit time to the search and application process each day.

Truex shares her expertise and posts work-at-home jobs in her online newsletter Work-At-Home Success & Jobs-At-Home Success News. She offers a free report, “eJobs At Home” to every subscriber. Subscriptions are free and can be obtained at Work-At-Home Success (<http://www.workathomesuccess.com>) or at Jobs At Home Success (<http://www.jobsathomesuccess.com>).

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