

Grant Summary

Grant Program	Job-Driven (JD) National Emergency Grant (NEG)
Grantee Name	Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
Grantee City and State	Springfield, Illinois
Grant Award Amount	\$6,175,000
Location of Grant Activities	Statewide
Project Description	<p>Illinois will partner with the Illinois Pathways Information Technology (IT) Learning Exchange to work with local and regional industry/employer partnerships to provide job-driven employment opportunities in high-demand occupations. Services provided by Local Workforce Investment Areas (LWIAs) will include occupational training and work-based training, such as apprenticeships, on-the-job training, customized training, work experience and internships, as well as job coaching and job matching. Work-based training, a key project component, provides much-needed income during the training period and helps participants quickly reenter the workforce, learn necessary skills, and obtain employment utilizing the newly acquired skills, competencies, and credentials. Participants may receive both work-based training and occupational training that leads to credentialing.</p>
Key Industries	Information Technology
Populations to be Served	Dislocated workers with priority to the long-term unemployed; Unemployment Insurance (UI) recipients that have been profiled as likely to exhaust UI benefits; foreign-trained immigrant dislocated workers facing barriers in their trained profession; and recently separated veterans
Partners	Illinois will partner with the Illinois Pathways Information Technology Learning Exchange; Illinois Pathways Interagency Committee (IPIC); Unemployment Insurance; Wagner-Peyser Employment Services; Department of Commerce and Economic Development (DCEO); Workforce Investment Act Adult and Dislocated Worker programs; the Trade Adjustment Assistance program; the Illinois Community College Board; and CompTIA . Up to 2.5 percent of the JD NEG award will be used for further partnership development strategies.
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