Cleveland/Cuyahoga Workforce Investment Board Wins U.S. Labor Department $2.1 million - Job Training Grant

Grant to help displaced workers with job training and placement

CLEVELAND – The City of Cleveland/Cuyahoga County Workforce Investment Board announced that it has won a competitive sector partnership grant in the amount of $2,075,396.43 from the U.S. Department of Labor via the Ohio Department of Job & Family Services (ODJFS). The grant will provide training and employment to dislocated workers in Northeast Ohio based on the skills businesses need for in-demand jobs in three key industries: healthcare, manufacturing and information technology.

In addition, a new initiative called Talent NEO will be leveraged to incorporate a skills-based assessment within the provided job training. This initiative is coordinated by Towards Employment, a Cleveland area non-profit dedicated to empowering individuals to achieve and maintain self-sufficiency through employment, in order to combine skills-based assessments with training to improve job placement.

Project leader OhioMeansJobs | Cleveland-Cuyahoga County has partnered with the following organizations to connect businesses and workers with the goal of employment after completion of job training:

- Manufacturing Advocacy & Growth Network (MAGNET) – manufacturing
- Regional Information Technology Engagement (RITE) Board - information technology
- NewBridge - healthcare in collaboration with major area hospitals
- Training for jobs in Welding, CNC Machining, Patient Care Technician and several technology occupations are also available.

To learn more about this or other types of job assistance and training opportunities, individuals may call (216) 518-4954. The following one-hour orientation sessions at OhioMeansJobs | Cleveland/Cuyahoga County locations listed below are also open to the public.

- 1020 Bolivar Rd, Cleveland, OH 44115 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Mondays.
- 11699 Brookpark Rd, Parma, OH 44130. 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Thursdays.
About TalentNEO

TalentNEO is a new way of connecting workers with jobs by combining the skills they already have along with a skills-based assessment. OhioMeansJobs | Cleveland-Cuyahoga County is part of a large network of entities participating in this initiative which is being led locally by Towards Employment. For more information on this initiative and other locations where this assessment is available to anyone seeking work please visit talentneo.org

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