



# U.S. Department of Labor

## Leveraging TAA and NEG Services for Dislocated Workers

### Trade and Globalization Adjustment Assistance Act of 2009 (TGAAA)

## Overview

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# Trade Adjustment Assistance

- Established in the Trade Act of 1974 to assist workers affected by trade.
- **Most recent amendments:**
  - 2002 Act – Petitions filed before May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009
  - 2009 Act – Petitions filed on or after May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009
- **Key Changes in 2009 Act:** (1) Expands coverage to include service sector jobs (2) Improves workers opportunities for training (3) Funds reemployment and case management services.

# Workers Group Coverage

- **Primary Workers:** Workers whose job loss is directly related to increased imports or shifts in the production of articles or in the provision of services outside the United States
- **Secondarily –Affected Workers:** Workers whose firm is a supplier or downstream producer or a service provider to a certified firm
- **Public Agency Workers:** Workers from a department or agency of a State or local government or of the Federal Government or subdivision thereof

# Eligibility Requirements

- **Group Eligibility** – Certification of a petition filed with DOL and the Governor by a group of workers, the employer, union or representative, or a One-Stop Operator or partner.
- **Individual Eligibility** – Approval by the State agency of individual application for benefits.

# Region 6 - Program Activity

Between 05/18 thru 03 /31

<b>YEAR</b>	<b>07/08</b>	<b>08/09</b>	<b>09/10</b>
<b>Petitions</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>569</b>
<b>Certifications</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>333</b>
<b>Workers</b>	<b>9,839</b>	<b>18,407</b>	<b>35,729</b>

# PNW - Program Activity

## Between 05/18 thru 03 /31

	<b>07/08</b>	<b>08/09</b>	<b>09/10</b>
	<b>Cert/Wk</b>	<b>Cert/Wk</b>	<b>Cert/Wk</b>
<b>AK</b>	1/140	0/0	1/3
<b>HI</b>	1/119	1/66	1/1
<b>ID</b>	7/856	4/474	28/1,714
<b>OR</b>	25/987	34/4,882	69/9,845
<b>WA</b>	14/1,315	32/2,563	48/3,922

# Improved Benefits and Services

- Case Management Services
- Training
- Income Support (TRA)
- Job Search and Relocation benefits
- Wage Subsidy (ATAA/RTAA)
- Health Coverage Tax Credit (HCTC)

# Program Funds

- Cap on training funds
- Formula for distributing funds
- Case management funds
- Coordination with WIA

# Factors for Funding Distribution

- ✓ Trend in number of workers covered by certification
- ✓ Trend in number of workers in training
- ✓ Estimated amount of funding needed to provide approved TAA training.

# Agreements with States

- Ensure integration of the TAA program into its One-Stop system
- Ensure that rapid Response activities and appropriate core and intensive services are made available to workers for whom a petition for TAA has been filed
- Make available assistance or services not authorized or funds unavailable under the TAA program.

# Questions / Comments / Resources

[www.doleta.gov/tradeact](http://www.doleta.gov/tradeact)

<http://www.servicelocator.org>

*Thank You*

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