

Grant Summary

Grant Program	Job-Driven (JD) National Emergency Grant (NEG)
Grantee Name	Washington State Employment Security Department
Grantee City and State	Olympia, Washington
Grant Award Amount	\$6,175,000
Location of Grant Activities	Statewide
Project Description	<p>Washington will implement both expanded and new local and regional partnerships to provide eligible dislocated workers identified as long-term unemployed (or likely to exhaust benefits) with interventions designed to reconnect them to the labor market and, as warranted, equip them with industry recognized credentials and certificates so they can attain unsubsidized employment. Two regions will also serve foreign-trained dislocated workers facing barriers to employment in their trained field.</p> <p>Washington's JD NEG project will have the full spectrum of work-based training options that includes Registered Apprenticeship and pre-apprenticeship, on-the-job training, customized training, career pathways, and accelerated learning (the last option implemented via Washington's nationally-recognized I-BEST model). Funds will be used to provide work-based training in a class-size cohort environment in some regions and blended learning that uses classroom, virtual, video, self-directed, and project-based features in others. One region will provide entrepreneurship training to participants through the Ice House model.</p>
Key Industries	Construction; Finance and Insurance; Healthcare; Logistics; Manufacturing; and Transportation and Warehousing. Some areas of the State will also include Life Science; Clean Technology; and Renewable Energy
Populations to be Served	Dislocated workers that are long-term unemployed and Unemployment Insurance (UI) recipients that have been profiled as likely to exhaust UI benefits. Veterans will be given priority of service
Partners	Local workforce investment boards (all of which reflect the range of business, labor, secondary and post-secondary education, economic development, social service, and state government); business and industry partnerships, including the Olympic Advanced Manufacturing Group; Technology Alliance Group for Northwest Washington (TAG); Northwest Food Processors Association (NFPA); and the Puget Sound Welcome Back Center (PSWBC)
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