

RWDB Report - April 26, 2016

Trade

John Deere (National Dislocated Workers Grant)

- 114 Enrolled in Classroom Training
- 1 classroom submitted and pending approval for next semester
- 5 have completed training and found employment
- 1 has withdrawn from training because of new employment
- 1 is off for a term for a leave of absence approved by the School and Trade
- 18 currently utilizing ATAA/RTAA
- 1 in progress for RTAA
- 2 completed relocation assistance for new job.

Ocwen Petition #82503 05/13/2014

- State Emergency Grant Val Peterson
 Classroom training request in progress: 52
- Active classroom training: 100
- Completed classroom training: 7
- RTAA: 9 with 4 additional in progress
- On-the-job Training (OJT): 3 in progress
- Two Intermediate Excel workshops are scheduled for May 9 & 11 and May 17 & 18 specific to Ocwen dislocated workers
- Networking group is in process of being scheduled
- Survey has been distributed to gauge interest for additional training/workshop opportunities

Dislocated Workers

John Deere Foundry – 45 affected as of 1/15/16, meeting held 12/18/15 under approved Trade petition # 85873

John Deere – Dubuque and Davenport – 100 total, 80-Dubuqe – 20 Davenport. Many are workers that transferred from Waterloo and will be under approved petition

CBE – 34 employees as of 4/4/16, meeting held on 3/23/16

American HomePatient – 37 employees as of 4/22/16, meeting held 4/21/16

Employment Services

New Members Report:	Jan 734	Feb –578	Mar -651
Workshop Attendees	Jan -648	Feb -449	Mar -690
National Career Readiness Certificate	Jan -131	Feb -103	Mar -162
Workshops Offered	Jan- 62	Feb- 58	Mar- 73

WIOA Young Adult Program

- Currently we have 7 young adults placed in Work Experiences (WEPs) with 6 additional to start by end of month.
- Since July 1, 2015 we have had a total of 20 WEPs.
- 4 WEPs have been hired by the employer that served as their worksite
- 2 students enrolled in the Fall passed the HiSET (High School Equivalency Diploma)
- 3 students completed the Prepare to Care training, became certified Nurse Aides, and are working in their field.
- Several students that we are working with are still enrolled in high school or attending post-secondary programs in which WIOA provided funding for educational assistance, including short term training such as Nurse Aide.
- We are currently serving 77 young adults on our caseloads.

Business Services Team

- Specialized hiring events for Ocwen employees were held on April 14, 2016 at Waterloo
 Center for the Arts. It was a morning event and 29 employees were present.
 Approximately 60 customers attended the event seeking employment.
- The BSR Team continues to support our Region 7 schools with providing proctoring or proctor training with the Staff. Last month, students at Waverly HS and Independent HS were tested.
- Manpower Inc. of Iowa received an award from the Greater Cedar Valley Alliance and we were asked to be their guest as one of their community partners to share in receiving the award.
- May 4, 2016, the BSR Team will be supporting Independence Economic Development on achieving Skilled Iowa and HBI community recognition. Presentations will be made by Lt. Governor Reynolds and Linda Rouse from the State HBI.
- Douglas Marshall reported the following presentations at the Women's Center for Change: Mary Robinson from Tyson foods "Coping with Work Pressures"; Nikka VanArsdale from Iowa Vocational Rehabilitation Services and Ryan Brennan from Manpower, "Temp to Hire Opportunities"

Job-Driven Apprenticeship Grant

- John Johnson, new Workforce Development Specialist
- Currently 25 enrolled in program. Goal: 50
- In March, state enrollments climbed from 107 to 144. Success will help us obtain a one year grant extension.
- Winery/Brewery distiller is a newest occupation that has become a State registered apprenticeship