



RWDB Report – August 25, 2016

Trade

John Deere National Dislocated Workers Grant (NDWG)

119 Enrolled in Classroom Training
1 classroom submitted and pending approval for next semester 8/22/16
7 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1 has withdrawn from training because of new employment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
 1- has requested a one term Leave from school
19 currently utilizing ATAA/RTAA 1 in progress for RTAA
2 completed relocation assistance for new job.

Ocwen State Emergency Grant (SEG)

132 enrolled in classroom training
10 additional classroom training requests are in progress
15 have graduated and found employment
16 are utilizing RTAA/ATAA
5 additional participants are working on RTAA/ATAA requests

Petition 82503 expired 5/13/16 which means participants would need a layoff date of 5/13/16 or earlier to fall under petition 82503. Petition 91581 was certified to cover those that were laid off 5/14/16 or later. We are starting to see participants access benefits under Petition 91581.

Dislocated Workers

Terex – Informational meetings were held July 28th at the Waverly Civic Center for 95 workers, in collaboration with Waverly Economic Development who opened their job listing website to employers interested in hiring the affected employees. The WARN letter indicated 100 union positions affected with the closing on 9/19/16 with 55 additional layoffs between 12/1/16 and 7/21/17. BSR team hosted a hiring event in Waverly on August 23rd with over 60 companies attending. Christi wrote a State Emergency Grant to hire another case manager.

Employment Services

New Members Report:	June - 628 (2015 – 690)	July – 924 (2015 – 927)
Workshop Attendees	June - 600	July - 430
National Career Readiness Cert	June - 121	July - 124
Workshops Offered	June- 58	July - 40

Sector Partnership –National Emergency Grant (SP-NEG)

- The first participant enrolled in this grant was hired at Pries Manufacturing as a Safety & Quality Control Specialist earning \$16/hour. The grant reimburses 50% of the on-the-job training for the first six months and covers the participant's tools.

PROMISE JOBS Grant

HCC received the award for the Northern District in the grant competition. We requested program funding of \$1,209,836 but were awarded \$780,967.

The following PJ positions were eliminated as a result of the funding cut:

- *Region 1 – Decorah/Dubuque:* Reduced to 3 FTEs from 4 FTEs
- *Region 2 – Mason City:* Reduced to 1 FTE from 3 FTEs
- *Region 6 – Marshalltown:* Reduced to 1 FTE from 4 FTEs
- *Region 7 – Waterloo:* Reduced to 4.5 FTEs from 7 FTEs

WIOA Youth/Young Adult Program

- Partnered with the Mayor of Waterloo to bring back the Mayor's Summer Youth Program, providing career readiness workshops and paid work experiences to 18 youth.
- Courier article highlighting this collaboration and our year round Work Experience program.

Business Services Team

Employers' Council Of Iowa, Cedar Valley Chapter

JULY 28 HOT TOPICS: LABOR LAW CHANGES, Waverly Hospital
AUG 17 Annual Legislative Forum, Cedar Falls Library

Iowa Department of Corrections

Recorded Hires 13

Men's Work Release Center / Job Search 101 / Individual Advising - AUG 4 & 18

Parole Center / One-on-One Advising - JULY 7 & 21; AUG 4, 18 & 25

Waterloo Women's Center for Change / Presentations

JULY 12 K. Kono, HCC GAP/PACE
JULY 14 P. Mohling, Youth Services
JULY 19 L. Henderson, EOC
JULY 28 S. Spieker, DSS Program
AUG 2 Anthony Arrington, Manpower, Inc.
AUG 9 D. Marshall, Tips for Success: Hiring Events & Job Fairs
AUG 11 Hiring Event: UNI: CUE
AUG 16 C. Snell, Job Corps of Iowa
AUG 23 Hiring Event: Waverly Center
AUG 30 M. Robinson, Tyson Fresh Meats

Business Services Team

On August 11, 2016 Cedar Valley Iowa WORKS held a hiring event at the UNI-Cue in downtown Waterloo. There were 32 employees and 65 job seekers attended. The event lasted 2 hours.

Aug 23, 2016 with the following Co-Sponsors Tyson Meats, Cedar Valley Alliance, Bremer Economic Development, and Hy-Vee sponsored a hiring event at the Centre in Waverly. There were 64 employers and 160 job seekers attended. The event was to help support the Terex employees, the success of the event is that we had many Terex employees, but we also had job seekers from the various counties around Bremer. The employers were pleased we hosted a hiring event outside of Blackhawk County. The team was asked several times if we would hold this event annually. It was a successful event with the support of our Blackhawk and Bremer counties business.

The team has been busy supporting the 1-866 line and RESA programs.

The team is also in the planning for our Oct 18, 2016 Employer Summit to be held at Hawkeye Community College in Tama Hall. We will be educating and informing our Region 7 Business the benefits of hiring untapped resources in the community.

Aug 24, 2016 Rhonda Hall and Lacie Westendorf attended the Hawkeye Community College Student Resource Fair.