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Governor Walker Announces \$1.2 Million in Additional Funding to Help Dislocated Workers Learn New Job Skills

MADISON – Governor Scott Walker today announced \$1.2 million in additional employment and training assistance to help approximately 1,600 dislocated workers across the state learn new job skills.

“Wisconsin employers, manufacturers in particular, have jobs to fill, but say they can’t find workers with the right skills,” Governor Walker said. “The federal funding will help meet their needs by providing additional employment and training assistance to dislocated workers, so that they can gain new skills and pursue the good jobs that are now available, as well as those we are working to help employers create.”

The \$1.2 million in federal funding is being allocated by Department of Workforce Development (DWD) Secretary Reggie Newson to six Workforce Development Areas (WDAs). The six DWD partners will expand services to workers laid off at 48 companies. Approximately \$1.8 million has been awarded to nine partners since July 1, 2012.

Dislocated workers should contact their local Job Centers for assistance that can include testing, career counseling, retraining and job placement. For job center locations, they can call toll-free, 1-888-258-9966, or visit www.wisconsinjobcenter.org/directory/. Statewide job listings are available on the DWD website, www.JobCenterOfWisconsin.com.

Grant Recipients and awards since July 1, 2012:

- Milwaukee WDA: \$920,000 to assist workers from: American United Taxi Services, Wyndham Milwaukee Airport, T-Shirt International, Maximus, CSM Bakery, Patrick Cudahy, Dana Sealing Products, Rock-Tenn, Frontier/Republic Airlines, Talgo and Walgreens Home Care.
- West Central WDA: \$557,234 to assist workers from Community Healthcare Partners, Cumberland Memorial Hospital, Pactiv Corporation, K-Mart - Rice Lake, Hutchinson Technology, iPacesetters and Johnson Controls
- North Central WDA: \$425,000 for Harley-Davidson-Tomahawk, Federal Mogul, Fiskars, West Asset Management, and SuperValu-Spencer.
- South Central WDA: \$275,000 to assist workers from Allstate Insurance, Webcrafters, Mayville Products and Famous Footwear
- Bay Area WDA: \$209,462 for Dominion Energy, Richco Structures, Palmer Johnson and Shipbuilders of WI (Burger Boats).
- Western WDA: \$189,150 for ATK, Chartwells, Everbrite, Eagle Systems and Services, Inc. and BSA/LB&B Logistics Services workers

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- Southeastern Wisconsin WDA: \$175,000 to assist workers from Kenosha Unified School District and General Converters & Assemblers, Trostel and John Sterling Corporation.
- Fox Valley WDA: \$137,802 to assist workers from Churney/Kraft, Oshkosh Defense, Albany International, Brake Parts (Affinia Group), Mayville Products and Plexus.
- Waukesha, Ozaukee, Washington WDA: \$93,400 for workers from APS Healthcare, BMO Harris, InnoWear Paper, Silgan Containers, Ace Distribution and Sells Printing.

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