

New program for employers and those seeking employment

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Perry JFS will be administering a new program with the assistance of a federal grant.

This new program, funded through the On-the-job Training National Emergency Grant, is called OJT NEG.

The purpose of this new program is to put displaced/unemployed workers into jobs earning wages while receiving the necessary training. The OJT NEG program will be offered to both employers and to job seekers.

Job Seekers interested in participating in the OJT NEG program must meet the following criteria:

Must be dislocated worker for at least 158 days ~ this does not have to be consecutive.

Must have or can receive help in preparing a resume by our JFS staff. The resume will also be retained by JFS staff.

Must complete a background check if requested
Must pass employment pre-screening.

Must meet the job requirements.

Job Seekers who are

interested may contact Mendra Hupp @ (740) 342-3551 ext 645 or Diane McCabe who will determine participant eligibility for the program @ (740) 342-3551 ext 625.

Employers interested in participating in the OJT NEG program must be private-for-profit or non-profit businesses. For the purposes of this grant, public sector employers are ineligible for participation in this program. The OJT NEG program is beneficial to employers because it allows them to hire workers to fill open positions in their businesses while providing them with the necessary training. Once certain criteria are met, the employer is eligible for a reimbursement of up to \$8,000 for on-the-job training provided to the OJT NEG participant.

Employers who are interested in participating in the OJT NEG program may contact Hupp at 342-3551 ext. 645 for any additional information or to enroll. To view the OJT NEG brochure, please visit www.perryjfs.org.

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