

REGIONAL JOB TRAINING PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Purpose

The program will help increase the knowledge, education and skills of Ohio's Appalachian communities by supporting regional job training efforts to equip Ohio's workforce with additional skills to grow the economy and prepare Ohioans for in-demand jobs. It is the hope of the Governor's Office of Appalachia that projects proposed under the Program will complement Governor Kasich's workforce objectives: 1) Connect Business and Education, 2) Create a Culture of Continuous Learning and 3) Build Career Pathways.

Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants include educational institutions (*i.e.*, local school districts, career technical schools, community colleges, four-year institutions, education service agencies), cities, counties, villages, non-profits, private for-profit businesses, and libraries. Businesses must be registered with the Secretary of State to do business in Ohio. Applicants will be subrecipient to OMEGA.

Partners

Applicants are strongly encouraged to establish partnerships and collaborate with regional schools and educational institutions, local businesses and other workforce providers in their respective counties and region. Applicants are also encouraged to utilize Ohio's In-demand Jobs provided by the Ohio Means Jobs website at ohiomeansjobs.com.

Eligible Projects

Funds can be used to pay for job training, student wages, job training equipment, internships, co-ops, externships, work experiences, instructional costs and materials, job skill advancement and retraining, career services and transportation costs in conjunction with regional job training. Additional activities that support job training may be eligible. All proposed projects must be reviewed and approved by the Governor's Office of Appalachia.

LOCAL MATCH <u>NOT</u> REQUIRED.

Schedule

- August 31, 2018: Pre-Applications due to OMEGA
- September 18, 2018: OMEGA's Executive Board Approves Priority List
- December 31, 2018: OMEGA Application due to State's Appalachian Program Manager
- June 1, 2019: Start of Grant Period (may be earlier)

Grant Period

Two years from the grant award date to complete the project.

<u>IMPORTANT:</u> THE MAXIMUM GRANT REQUEST IS \$250,000; HOWEVER, OMEGA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO LOWER THE AMOUNT REQUESTED IF NEEDED TO BETTER SERVE THE REGION.