

Job Training and Economic Development Grant Program

FY 2011 Grant Application Cycle

Background

The Job Training and Economic Development Grant Program was created to foster local economic development by linking the needs of low-wage, low-skilled employed workers and unemployed disadvantaged individuals with the workforce needs of local industry.

Through this program, the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity awards grants to Community-Based Organizations to provide training to meet the needs of the local industry.

Eligible Applicants

The Department seeks applications from Non-Profit Community Based Organizations that directly provide job training services.

In addition, the Organization must have a local Board of Directors with a history of serving low-wage/low-skilled workers and/or unemployed disadvantaged individuals.

Eligible applicants include entities currently operating JTED programs.

Program Category

The Department awards grants in two categories:

- **Category I: Industry Linked Training for Low-Wage/Low-Skilled Workers**

A community-based provider partners with local employers in need of a better trained workforce for existing low-wage and low-skilled workers and newly hired disadvantaged persons. The community-based provider enters into partnership agreements with employers to design curricula and deliver skills training to the workers. The program increases the skill levels of the workers, as well as their earning potential and job advancement.

- **Category II: Industry-Linked Training for Unemployed Disadvantaged Individuals**

A community-based provider establishes partnerships with employers and works with local economic development organizations to develop and operate training programs for unemployed disadvantaged individuals that meet the skill needs of local industry. The community-based provider enters into partnership agreements with local employers to develop a skill curriculum for the unemployed disadvantaged individual that meets the local employer's needs and establishes job placement opportunities after training.

Submittal and Information Session

The JTED information session has been scheduled in conjunction with the Digital Divide Program. Reference the right of this form for information on the sessions. Applications must be received by the Department no later than end of day, March 10, 2011. Respondents must submit an original and three copies along with an electronic submission of the completed format to:

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Information Sessions

Chicago Session

Wednesday February 16, 2011

9:00a–12:00p JTED
1:00p–4:00p Digital Divide

James R. Thompson Center
Assembly Hall Auditorium
100 W. Randolph Street
Chicago, IL 60601

Webinar Session

Thursday February 17, 2011

1:00p–2:30p Digital Divide
2:30p–4:00p JTED

Login URL to register for webinar:

<http://training.illinoisworknet.com/ws/ddited>

Further Information

Inquiries regarding the RFA should be directed to:

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