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## WORKSOURCE NORTHWEST GEORGIA DISASTER/COVID-19 DISLOCATED WORKER NATIONAL EMERGENCY GRANT

Northwest Georgia Regional Commission Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Program was awarded a grant of over \$1.3 million, through the Technical College System of Georgia's (TCSG) Office of Workforce Development (OWD) and the US Department of Labor (USDOL).

The grant has been extended through March 31, 2023 and can be used for disaster relief employment and training activities, to assist those negatively impacted by COVID-19, individuals who have been laid off from their place of employment due to lack of work or closure, or have been unemployed for at least 12 weeks of the most recent 15 week period.

To apply for this specific program, visit our webpage at <a href="https://www.careerdepot.org">www.careerdepot.org</a>.

An online application is available, click on the link: Disaster/COVID-19 Application

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For information regarding other programs and services, visit our webpage at www.careerdepot.org. There are several online applications specific for: Adult/DW training ("WIOA Applicant Portal"), On-the-Job Training ("Employers") and Youth Training ("Youth").

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# Gordon Commerce Center and other Warehouse Projects Proposed in Gordon County

In the past 11 months, several industrial and warehouse proposal projects are underway in Gordon County.

The Gordon Commerce Center (more than five times the size of the Lowe's Distribution Center in nearby Shannon), makes seven mega campuses planned or underway on either side of I-75 with a combined value of \$662.3 million.

The Gordon Commerce Center, has plans for 1.1 million square feet with a construction value of \$80 million. It features "one industrial building, employee parking, truck courts and all associated infrastructure," according to the Development of Regional Impact report from CHI/Acquisitions LP out of Atlanta.

Another smaller project in the Gordon County area is the Calhoun 75 Commerce Center, with more than 400,000 square feet and two other projects farther south off the interstate.

Also proposed is Miller Ferry Technology Center Miller Ferry Road at Shaw Road on the Gordon County side of Adairsville. Plans call for 1.56 million square feet under roof with a project cost of \$160 million.

Also in the works is Union Grove South, Union Grove North, Tradepoint 75, Union Grove Seefried, Belwood and now Gordon Commerce Center.

Reference for more details:

Gordon Commerce Center is the 7th major proposal in 11 months; combined impact: \$662 million, 7.6 million square feet under roof. | News | northwestgeorgianews.com

#### STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



Megan was served by Anne Rapp, WIOA Career Advisor, Chattahoochee Technical College, North Metro Campus.

"Without WIOA I would not have been able to attend this course. Perusing a career in the dental field is something I have wanted to do for quite a while and when I went to DASA and they suggested applying, I thought it would be a long drawn out and difficult process. It was anything but that! The paperwork was straight forward and easy to know what information was needed. Anne Rapp was very kind and easy to work with throughout the whole process.

After I was approved for the grant filling out the paperwork was easy each week and the payments included help with gas and childcare. I definitely was second guessing if I was going to be able to afford to start training for a new career but WIOA made that all possible! I was hired at an orthodontist's office by the time I graduated from the program."

Thank you.

Megan Harvell





### **Earn CEU Credits and Learn!**

Due to the overwhelmingly positive feedback from last year's Georgia Department of Labor (GDOL) webinar, "COVID Recruitment Strategies: Thriving During and After a Pandemic", the GDOL's Business Services Unit will be debuting a new webinar this fall.

If you missed last year's webinar, please select the following link to view it: dol.georgia.gov/recruitment-during-covid-webinar

For attending this 90-minute webinar, you will earn 1.5 CEU credits and the registration fee will be only \$25.

More information will be coming shortly regarding the webinar topic, dates, and registration instructions. We look forward to seeing you this fall as we continue to discuss and share valuable insights into the ever-changing dynamics of the workplace in 2022 and beyond.



RECRUITMENT DURING COVID WEBINAR LINK



#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

#### SETA 2023 Spring Conference March 12-15, 2023 The Peabody, Memphis, TN



The Southeastern Employment and Training Association (SETA) provides professional growth opportunities for all workforce development partners. SETA is a regional organization of professionals and policymakers representing all areas of the job training partnership and workforce development system, whose purpose is to provide an information exchange process that will assist the members in more effectively improving individual knowledge and skill in utilizing job training resources. The current states from which the primary membership is based are: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee.

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# NWGRC WorkSource Northwest Georgia Workforce Innovation and Opportunity (WIOA) Upcoming Meetings

Northwest Georgia Workforce Development Board Youth Committee Meeting Northwest Georgia Regional Commission, Rome, GA November 9, 2022 at noon

Workforce Development Board of Northwest Georgia Council of Chief Elected Officials of Northwest Georgia Georgia Northwestern Technical College, Calhoun, GA November 16, 2022 at Noon

Northwest Georgia Regional Commission Council Rome Civic Center, Rome, GA January 19, 2023 at 11:00 am

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