

Economic Opportunities

Career Pathway in Advanced Manufacturing

Lima, OH

Project Profile

SNAPSHOT

Activity Type – Job training.

Beneficiaries – The project has benefited over 200 low-and-moderate-income, unemployed, underemployed and displaced workers.

Project Total – Approximately \$43,000 annually

CDBG Funds – Approximately \$7,000 annually

Leverage Ratio – 1:5

Key Result – The needs of businesses are matched with the needs of lower-income job seekers.

Words of Advice – Keeping students and training programs in constant contact with industry is key to helping students succeed.

More Information –
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PLACE

Although more than 20 chemical and process operations companies employing over 4,000 people are concentrated in the Lima area, the unemployment rate is over 16 percent. The city recognized that it could support business expansion and recruitment while also preparing lower-income residents for good jobs.

PEOPLE

Previously, companies had to spend weeks training new hires for certain jobs. The objective of the pathway program was to create a pool of trained job seekers to reduce this training burden and encourage the hiring of unemployed, underemployed, and displaced workers.

PROJECT

Since 2006, the city has funded a Basic Manufacturing Certificate program as a stepping stone to the Apollo/Rhodes College stackable certification process.

PARTNERS

This successful partnership between educational institutions, career training facilities, and local government connects the Apollo Career Center, Rhodes State College, and the Bradfield Center with local industries. CDBG has Leverage Ratioid additional funding from the U.S. Department of Labor Economic Development Administration.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

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