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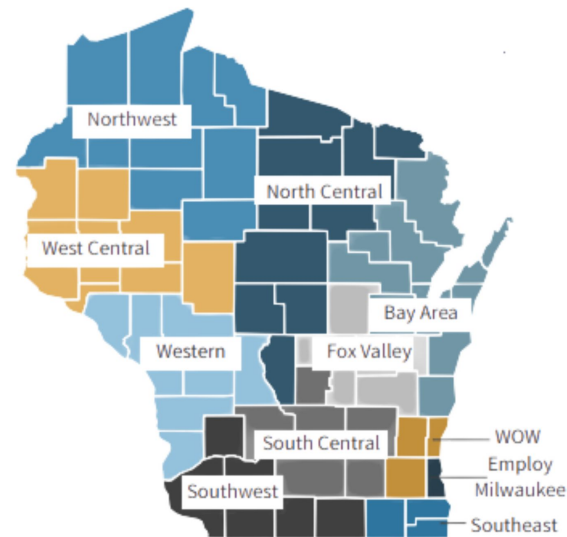
WDBSCW Presentation

City-County Homeless Issues Committee



Workforce Development Board of South Central Wisconsin

- WDBSCW is a private non profit 501(c)3 organization with a 42-year history as a **leader in workforce development**
- Connect employers, job seekers through partnerships to **build a skilled workforce that meets the needs of local industry**
- Oversee federal, state and locally-funded workforce development programs and services in **Columbia, Dane, Dodge, Jefferson, Marquette and Sauk Counties**





WIOA Title 1

The **Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)** is a federal law designed to help job seekers access employment, education, training, and support services.

Title 1 focuses on Adult, Dislocated Worker, and Youth employment and training programs.

- **Adult Program:** Provides training, job search assistance, and career services for adults
- **Dislocated Worker Program:** Aids individuals who have lost their jobs due to layoffs or other reasons
- **Youth Program:** Offers career exploration, education, and job training for young people aged 14-24

Goals & Outcomes



Improved access to quality job opportunities
Support to businesses with skilled workers
Coordinated support across systems

1,500

Participants
served
annually

75%

Employment
Retention
Rate (12mos)

\$17.15

Average hourly
wage post-
program



Program Supports

Resources and Wrap-Around

- Training & Tuition Costs
- Transportation Assistance
- Child Care Assistance
- Tools and Equipment for Work
- Housing Assistance

Assistance is available to eligible and enrolled individuals

Funded support is assessed and approved based on participant need and funding availability



Collaborative Workforce System

We're In This Together

Our regional workforce system connects a network of **education, economic development, business, and community** partners, all working together to create a comprehensive support structure for individuals seeking employment and career advancement

- Formalized agreements with Dane County Job Center agencies, Technical Colleges, Dept. of Workforce Development and HUD-supported agencies, YouthBuild and Job Corps providers
- Collaborative partnerships with local government, education, industry and community based orgs



Current Initiatives and Collaboratives

Partnering to provide stability and support for youth
experiencing homelessness in South Central Wisconsin

01

NYEC Youth Housing and
Employment Strategic
Planning Initiative

02

Cities for Financial
Empowerment Summer Jobs
Connect

03

Independent Living
Program



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