16.580  EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL FORMULA GRANT PROGRAM

Program Description: Since the national foreclosure crisis began, the State has been at the forefront of efforts to preserve homeownership. DLLR has launched a Mortgage and Fraud Initiative program with funds from the Bureau of Justice Assistance. This grant has ended.

Formula Description: This grant is from formula funds at the Department of Justice.

Program Supported/Population Served: Homeowners needing assistance with foreclosures.

16.812  SECOND CHANCE ACT - CAREER TECHNOLOGY PROJECT

Program Description: The State of Maryland incarcerates 23,000 offenders and releases more than 13,000 annually. About 60% of the released population returns to Baltimore City where technology skills are in high demand. Approximately 40% of the offenders have less than a high school education and even less have a skill or know how to use technology. Male inmates with a history and/or a conviction for a drug offense (32.3%) will be the target population. Each participant must be within 18 months of work release/parole/release from the institution to be eligible to participate and complete the DeskTop User Specialist program. Participants will also receive Employment Readiness (ER) instruction. Employers in the IT field will be targeted for students in this program. Former offenders from this program will be videoed to provide specialized information sessions in a peer mentoring format. Instruction in soft skills is an important component of the curriculum. This grant has ended.

17.002  LABOR FORCE STATISTIC

Program Description: Provides statistical data on labor force activities to analyze the effect of current and long-term economic development on employment trends. Funds are available to provide data regarding employment, hours and earnings, occupational employment statistics, local area labor force and employment, mass layoff statistics, and covered employment and wages.


Program Supported/Population Served: Workforce Development statewide, Labor Market Analysis & Information /General Public and Business Community

17.005  COMPENSATION & WORKING CONDITIONS
**Program Description:** Provides timely and relevant data on levels and trends in wages and employee benefits, occupational safety and health, collective bargaining, and work stoppages.

**Formula Description:** State agencies or local governments are eligible to apply for cooperative agreement funding and share costs in operating statistical programs regarding occupational safety and health statistics. The federal share for each state or local government’s statistical program may be up to 50% of the state or local government’s total cost.

**Program Supported/Population Served:** Labor and Industry statewide, Occupational Safety & Health Administration

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17.207 EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

**Program Description:** Places persons in employment by providing a variety of placement services, at no charge, to job-seekers and to employers seeking qualified individuals to fill job openings. As part of the “One-Stop” delivery system, the Employment Service provides a variety of services related to a labor exchange system, including job search assistance, referral and placement assistance to job seekers, reemployment services to unemployment insurance claimants, and recruitment services to employers with job openings. Included is also funding for the One-Stop Workforce Information Grant which provides Labor Market Information and Workforce Information to state and local workforce investment boards, One-Stop Career Centers, businesses, employers and the public.

**Formula Description:** Under the Wagner-Peyser Act, funds are allotted to states in accordance with the formula based on monthly averages for the state’s share of the civilian labor force and unemployment based on the last calendar year data.

**Program Supported/Population Served:** “One-Stop” Career Centers Workforce Development, Job Seekers and Employers statewide

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17.225 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

**Program Description:** Administers the unemployment insurance program for eligible workers, through federal and state cooperation, including the payment of trade adjustment assistance, disaster unemployment assistance, unemployment compensation for federal employees and ex-service members. States have direct responsibility for operating their own unemployment insurance programs, while the federal government finances the cost of administration. State unemployment insurance tax collections from employers are used solely for benefit payments.

**Formula Description:** State Unemployment Insurance Agencies apply for grants to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, based on target performance levels issued to the state pursuant to a nationally developed workload estimate. The budget figures below include amounts used for National Unemployment Insurance activity grants (such as IT support grants) in addition to local administrative costs.
Program Supported/Population Served: Eligible workers who are involuntarily unemployed and are able & available to work.

17.245 TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE - WORKERS

Program Description: Provides adjustment assistance to workers adversely affected by increased imports, and assists them in finding suitable employment. Trade impacted workers are eligible to receive job search and relocation allowances in addition to the cost of training programs. They may receive subsistence and transportation allowances to attend approved training outside the normal commuting distance of a worker’s regular place of residence.

Formula Description: Not applicable. State Employment Service Agencies serve as agents administering worker adjustment assistance provisions of the Trade Act.

Funds are provided to states on an ongoing basis based on demonstrated need. These totals do not reflect funding for Trade Readjustment Allowances (TRA) and Alternative Trade Adjustment Assistance (ATAA).

Program Supported/Population Served: Eligible workers adversely affected by increased imports statewide.

17.258 WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY (WIOA) ADULT PROGRAM

Program Description: Provides workforce investment activities that increase the employment, retention and earnings of participants, and increase occupational skill attainment by the participants. Improves the quality of the workforce, reduces welfare dependency, and enhances the productivity and competitiveness of the nation’s economy. Increases employment as measured by entry into unsubsidized employment. Provides a full menu of services, including job training, education and employment services, through a network of “One-Stop” Career Centers, to any adult job seeker (regardless of income) interested in career advancement. The State Employment Service and local WIOA staff work together, providing services to job seekers and employers.

Formula Description: Funds are allotted to states based on formula described in WIOA legislation, which includes three factors. Two factors are based on relative shares of unemployed individuals. The third factor is based on relative shares of disadvantaged adults.

Program Supported/Population Served: “One Stop” Career Centers Job Seekers and Employers statewide
**17.259 WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY (WIOA) YOUTH ACTIVITIES**

**Program Description:** Helps low-income youth between the ages of 14 and 24 acquire the educational and occupational skills, training and support needed to achieve academic and employment success, and successfully transition to careers and productive adulthood. The Act authorizes use of funds for youth employment and training activities that assist eligible youth by providing mentoring opportunities, opportunities for training as well as opportunities for leadership, development, decision-making, citizenship, and community service.

**Formula Description:** Funds are allotted to states under the formula described in WIA legislation, which includes three factors. Two factors are based on relative shares of unemployed individuals. The third factor is based on relative shares of disadvantaged youth.

**Program Supported/Population Served:** Eligible low-income youth (ages 14 – 24) statewide.

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**17.260 CAREER PATHWAYS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE INITIATIVE**

**Program Description:** This grant supports the development of comprehensive career pathway programs for adult and dislocated workers. New approaches to adult education and training that increase program completion and credential attainment have emerged. The career pathways programs will enable adults to access training by combining them with adult basic education.

**Formula Description:** National Emergency Grant funds are provided to states to address needs of employees and employers.

**Program Supported/Population Served:** Unemployed adults, and dislocated workers.

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**17.261 WORKFORCE DATA QUALITY INITIATIVE**

**Program Description:** The purpose of these funds is to improve the State’s longitudinal data systems. This grant supports DLLR’s continued partnership with the Jacob France Institute and other participating State agencies to ‘map’ how improved administrative database capabilities align with Federal, State, local workforce investment board and economic development authority performance reporting requirements and high priority research and evaluation study opportunities.

**Formula Description:** These funds were granted through a solicitation for applications to fund Demonstration Projects.

**Program Supported/Population Served:** Training program, performance data, unemployed, employers.
17.271 WORK OPPORTUNITY TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

**Program Description:** Federal tax credit available to employers who hire and retain veterans and individuals from other target groups with significant barriers to employment.

**Program Supported/Population Served:** Workforce Development / Employers and workers statewide

17.273 TEMPORARY LABOR CERTIFICATION FOR FOREIGN WORKERS

**Program Description:** Protects jobs of American workers and assures that wages and working conditions of U.S. workers will not be adversely affected by the admission of nonagricultural workers from other countries. Assists employers by supplementing the workforce with needed skills.

**Program Supported/Population Served:** Workforce Development / Employers and Foreign Workers statewide

17.277 National Dislocated Worker Grants (DWGs)

**Program Description:** National Emergency Grants (NEGs), are discretionary grants awarded by the Secretary of Labor, under Section 170 of WIOA. DWGs provide resources to states and other eligible applicants to respond to large, unexpected layoff events causing significant job losses. This funding is intended to temporarily expand capacity to serve dislocated workers, including military service members, and meet the increased demand for WIOA employment and training services, with a purpose to reemploy laid off workers and enhance their employability and earnings.

17.278 WIOA DISLOCATED WORKERS

**NOTE:** 17.278 is the new CFDA number for WIA Dislocated Worker Formula Grants

**Program Description:** Provides workforce investment activities, increasing employment, retention, earnings and occupational skills of participants. This program provides re-employment services for dislocated workers, improving quality of the workforce and enhancing the productivity and competitiveness of the nation’s economy and it increases employment as measured by entry into unsubsidized employment, retention in unsubsidized employment six months after entry into employment, and extent of recovery of prior wage levels.

**Formula Description:** Funds are allotted to states based on the formula described in WIOA legislation, and includes three factors. Two factors are based on relative shares of unemployed individuals. The third factor is based on relative shares of long-term unemployed individuals. Applications for “National Dislocated Worker Grants” funds (addressing specific plant closings, mass layoffs, etc.) are made by the state and other authorized applicants.

17.280 WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA) DISLOCATED WORKER NATIONAL RESERVE DEMONSTRATION GRANTS (Expanding Business Engagement)

Formula Description: The federal share of costs may not exceed 50% of the total cost of the state program. This grant has ended.

17.503 OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH – STATE PROGRAM

Program Description: Provides funds for comprehensive state occupational safety and health programs. Federally designated state agencies responsible for occupational safety and health provide standards covering occupational safety and health issues, an enforcement program for those standards, and adequate legal authority and resources to operate the program. The mission of the program is to save lives, reduce injuries and illnesses resulting from workplace hazards through an effective mix of compliance, consultation, training, and standards activity.

Formula Description: The federal share of costs may not exceed 50% of the total cost of the state program.

Program Supported/Population Served: Employers and workers statewide

17.504 CONSULTATION AGREEMENTS – OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH

Program Description: Provides funds for consultative workplace safety and health services, targeting smaller employers with more hazardous operations.

Formula Description: Applications for funding are distributed annually to the designated state agency by the U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Funding to states for administering their consultation program can be renewed indefinitely, provided that state consultation activities continue to meet the federal requirements of the program. The federal share of costs may not exceed 90% of the total cost of the state program.

Program Supported/Population Served: Private employers statewide

17.801 DISABLED VETERANS OUTREACH PROGRAM (DVOP)

Program Description: Provides outreach to veterans through community agencies and organizations; provides assistance to community-based groups and organizations and appropriate grantees under other federal and federally-funded employment and training programs; and
provides employability development and vocational guidance to eligible veterans, especially disabled veterans, utilizing a case-management approach to services, wherever applicable.

**Formula Description:** State Employment Agencies receive funding to support one DVOP specialist for each 7,400 veterans between the ages of 20 and 64 residing in the state.

**Program Supported/Population Served:** “One-Stop” Career Centers: Disabled and Other Veterans statewide

17.804 LOCAL VETERAN’S EMPLOYMENT REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM (LVER)

**Program Description:** LVER staff work with employers to promote veterans as job seekers who have highly marketable skills and experience. LVER staff advocate for veterans to gain employment and training opportunities with business, industry, and community-based organizations. To accomplish this, LVER staff participates in a variety of outreach activities. LVER staff establishes, facilitates, and/or maintains regular contact with employers to include federal contractors. They will coordinate with employer relations representatives as part of the system to include veterans in their marketing efforts. LVER staff provides and facilitates a full range of employment, training, and placement services to meet the needs of priority veterans in targeted categories identified and approved in the State Plan.

**Formula Description:** State Employment Agencies receive support to fund, as nearly as practicable: (1) one full-time LVER assigned to each local Employment Service (ES) office with 1,100 or more registered veterans; (2) one additional full-time LVER may be assigned to each local ES office for each 1,500 registered veterans above 1,100; and, (3) one half-time LVER assigned to each local ES office with at least 350, but less than 1,100, registered veterans.

**Program Supported/Population Served:** “One-Stop” Career Centers: Veterans Statewide

84.002 ADULT EDUCATION

**Program Description:** Provides funds for local adult education and literacy service programs, including high school credentialing, workplace literacy services, family literacy serves and English literacy and civics education programs. Program participation is limited to adults and out-of-school youths aged 16 and older. The Act lists specific performance measures by which states will be assessed. These include: demonstrated improvements in literacy skill levels in reading, writing, and speaking in the English language, numeracy, placement, retention, or completion of postsecondary education, receipt of a high school diploma, or its equivalent.

**Formula Description:** Not more than 12.5% of the state allotment may be used for state leadership activities, including professional development. Not more than 82.5% of the state allotment shall be used to support local programs, correctional education, and other institutionalized individuals.
Program Supported/Population Served: Adults in need of basic education and GED.

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