



## **National Dislocated Worker Grant: General Motors-Lordstown Workers**

In April 2018, General Motors (GM) issued a WARN notice announcing the layoff of second-shift production operations at the company's Lordstown plant in northeast Ohio. In addition, three auto industry suppliers in the same area issued WARN notices indicating that their own layoffs would occur between June and September 2018. These layoffs affected nearly 1,700 workers. To help them access services and become reemployed as quickly as possible, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS) applied for and received a two-year \$1.75 million National Dislocated Worker Grant from the U.S. Department of Labor.

### **How will the grant be used?**

From now through June 30, 2020, the grant will be used for three purposes:

- To operate a transition center near the GM plant, at the UAW Local 1112 Union Hall in Trumbull County. The center will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each weekday.
- To provide career services to up to 337 affected workers. Career services can include case management services, employment counseling, workshops, assessments and help developing career plans.
- To provide pre-apprenticeship training to laid-off workers and incentives to employers who hire former GM-Lordstown/auto supply workers who complete ApprenticeOhio programs.

### **Who will provide the grant's services?**

ODJFS will staff the transition center and provide case management and job placement services. Workforce Areas 17 and 18 will enroll participants and conduct workshops. Workforce Area 1 will serve as the administrative entity, procuring the transition center, processing invoices and hiring peer counselors.

### **Who is eligible for services?**

Workers who lose their jobs as a result of GM-Lordstown/auto supply layoffs or who are returning veterans. All workers affected by these layoffs also are eligible for federal Trade programs, which provide benefits and services to workers who lose their jobs because of increased imports from, or shifts in work to, foreign countries. The goal of Trade programs is to help the affected workers become reemployed as quickly as possible.

### **How can individuals access these services?**

Visit the transition center at the UAW Local 1112 Union Hall or contact an OhioMeansJobs center in Trumbull County. To find the nearest OhioMeansJobs center, visit [jfs.ohio.gov/wioamap](http://jfs.ohio.gov/wioamap) or [OhioMeansJobs.com](http://OhioMeansJobs.com) and click on the icon for "OhioMeansJobs centers."

### **Where can I get more information about the grant?**

Please email [OWDGRANTS@jfs.ohio.gov](mailto:OWDGRANTS@jfs.ohio.gov).