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DOL grants \$38 million to assist Michigan workers	<a href="http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20091193.htm">http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20091193.htm</a>	Press Release	The U.S. Department of Labor today announced three National Emergency Grants totaling \$38,033,600 to assist workers affected by documented layoffs from multiple companies in three defined regional economies throughout Michigan. These grants will provide flexibility to serve 2,161 workers currently displaced and those affected by future layoffs occurring within these regions during the grants' 12-month period of performance.	<p>The U.S. Department of Labor today announced three National Emergency Grants totaling \$38,033,600 to assist workers affected by documented layoffs from multiple companies in three defined regional economies throughout Michigan. These grants will provide flexibility to serve 2,161 workers currently displaced and those affected by future layoffs occurring within these regions during the grants' 12-month period of performance. Based on state of Michigan estimates, about 13,291 total workers ultimately will be served.</p> <p>The first regional economy, known as Southeast Michigan, is comprised of Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland, St. Clair, Washtenaw and Wayne (including the city of Detroit) counties. The second regional economy, known as Mid-Michigan, is comprised of Bay, Clinton, Eaton, Genesee (including the city of Flint), Huron, Ingham, Lapeer, Midland, Saginaw, Sanilac, Shiawassee and Tuscola counties. The final region, known as West Michigan, is comprised of Allegan, Berrien, Cass, Kent (including the city of Grand Rapids), Muskegon, Oceana, Ottawa and Van Buren counties.</p> <p>"These grants are part of our active commitment to retraining</p>	9/29/2009 13:00	grant;NEG;Michigan;layoff;training;

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DOL grants \$430,000 to assist financial services workers in Maine	<a href="http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20091161.htm">http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20091161.htm</a>	Press Release	The U.S. Department of Labor today announced a \$430,417 grant to assist approximately 65 workers affected by May 2009 layoffs at two locations of the Standard Insurance Co. in Portland and South Portland, Maine. The grant will provide affected workers with access to the full array of dislocated worker services.	<p>The U.S. Department of Labor today announced a \$430,417 grant to assist approximately 65 workers affected by May 2009 layoffs at two locations of the Standard Insurance Co. in Portland and South Portland, Maine.</p> <p>"The economic downturn has had a disproportionate impact on the financial services industry," said Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis. "Today's grant will help affected workers retool their skills to successfully obtain employment in new careers or in similar occupations within other industries."</p> <p>Awarded to the Maine Department of Labor, this grant will be operated by Coastal Counties Workforce Inc. The grant will provide affected workers with access to the full array of dislocated worker services. These services may include skills assessment, individual career counseling and occupational skills training.</p> <p>This grant will be funded by resources made available for National Emergency Grants under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.</p> <p>National Emergency Grants are part of the secretary of labor's discretionary fund and are awarded based on a state's ability to</p>	9/29/2009 11:00	grants;NEG;Maine;financial;services;retrain;
DOL grants \$2 million to assist Maine workers	<a href="http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20091162.htm">http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20091162.htm</a>	Press Release	The U.S. Department of Labor today announced a \$2,066,981 grant to assist approximately 300 workers affected by 2009 layoffs from RR Donnelley in Wells, Maine. Awarded to the Maine Department of Labor, this grant will be operated by Coastal Counties Workforce Inc. The grant will provide affected workers with access to the full array of dislocated worker services.	<p>The U.S. Department of Labor today announced a \$2,066,981 grant to assist approximately 300 workers affected by 2009 layoffs from RR Donnelley in Wells, Maine.</p> <p>"The loss of a job is never easy, and these workers deserve our support as they seek re-employment," said Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis. "Today's grant will help individuals by providing the skills, retraining and job search assistance they need to obtain new jobs in high-growth and high-demand industries in the area."</p> <p>Awarded to the Maine Department of Labor, this grant will be operated by Coastal Counties Workforce Inc. The grant will provide affected workers with access to the full array of dislocated worker services. These services may include skills assessment, individual career counseling and occupational skills training. Maine Department of Labor data indicate possible future job openings in the advanced manufacturing, health care, retail and tourism industries.</p> <p>Of the \$2,066,981 announced today, \$851,120 will be released initially. Additional funding up to the amount approved will be made available as the state demonstrates a c</p> <p>This grant will be funded by resources made available for Nati</p>	9/29/2009 11:00	grants;Neg;Maine;print;industry;training;

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Sec. Solis statement on Summer Youth jobs	<a href="http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20091183.htm">http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20091183.htm</a>	Press Release	<p>Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis today issued the following statement regarding the success of the Summer Youth Employment Program for the nation's youth:</p> <p>"We are proud that through the Recovery Act, more than 226,000 of our nation's young people had the opportunity to participate in summer employment as of July 31. The Summer Youth Employment Program surpassed our expectations and enriched the lives of thousands of our nation's youth by creating real work opportunities."</p>	<p>Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis today issued the following statement regarding the success of the Summer Youth Employment Program for the nation's youth:</p> <p>"We are proud that through the Recovery Act, more than 226,000 of our nation's young people had the opportunity to participate in summer employment as of July 31. The Summer Youth Employment Program surpassed our expectations and enriched the lives of thousands of our nation's youth by creating real work opportunities. At the same time, tens of thousands of young people also participated in Recovery Act funded career readiness programs such as skills training and mentoring activities that will continue year-round.</p> <p>"The 2009 Summer Youth Employment Program came at a time when young people were facing a difficult job market. After a decade without a dedicated federal summer jobs program, the effort created opportunities for young people that would have not existed otherwise.</p> <p>"It is important to note that at no time did summer youth participants compete with adults seeking permanent employment. In fact, public and private employers worked with them to create jobs. Simply put, we have succeeded in our efforts to increase job s</p>	9/23/2009 18:15	Solis;statement;youth;jobs;summer;training;
DOL grants \$300,000 to Maine paper workers	<a href="http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20091121.htm">http://www.dol.gov/opa/media/press/eta/eta20091121.htm</a>	Press Release	<p>The U.S. Department of Labor today announced a \$323,565 grant to assist workers affected by layoffs at NewPage Corp.'s Rumford Paper Mill in Rumford, Maine. Awarded to the Maine Department of Labor, this grant will be operated by the Central/Western Maine Workforce Investment Board. It will provide these dislocated workers, all of whom are also certified by the Labor Department as eligible for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA), with access to "wrap-around" and supportive services.</p>	<p>The U.S. Department of Labor today announced a \$323,565 grant to assist workers affected by layoffs at NewPage Corp.'s Rumford Paper Mill in Rumford, Maine.</p> <p>"Today's grant will provide employment-related services that are crucial to finding new jobs in burgeoning areas of the economy," said Secretary of Labor Hilda L. Solis. "These workers deserve our support as they seek to upgrade existing skills, or prepare for new careers in promising regional industries."</p> <p>Awarded to the Maine Department of Labor, this grant will be operated by the Central/Western Maine Workforce Investment Board. It will provide these dislocated workers, all of whom are also certified by the Labor Department as eligible for Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA), with access to "wrap-around" and supportive services — such as dependent care and transportation assistance — that are not available through the TAA program.</p> <p>Maine's paper manufacturing industry has seen a gradual reduction of hours and operation over the past 10 years. Layoffs at NewPage Corp. took place over a series of nine events that occurred between Feb. 2 and April 1, 2009.</p> <p>The amount released today will be funded by resources made</p>	9/17/2009 12:00	grants;NEG;Maine;paper;industry;training;