Supporting Virginia's COVID-19 Dislocated Workers

Statewide

Project Summary (Need)
The Virginia Community College System, together with the Workforce Development Boards, proposes to train laid off hospitality workers to enable them to rapidly move into highly needed positions. These positions are: Admissions, Certified Nursing Assistants, Medical Assisting, and Certified Healthcare Workers. Other positions currently needed and anticipated to be needed in greater numbers include Triage Nurses, Phlebotomists, Lab Technicians, Mental Health and Grief Counselors, Transportation and Trucking workers. Virginia anticipates that there will be an increasing need for additional cleanup activities in response to the impacts of the disaster.

Disaster Relief Employment
The proposed DWG will create disaster-relief positions such as medical assistance, delivery of food, set-up of quarantined areas, and the sanitization of public buildings. The project will also focus on employment and training activities for individuals looking to fill jobs in the healthcare fields.

Eligible Participants
Workers laid off due to quarantine orders or business closures related to disruptions caused by the outbreak are eligible participants. Also eligible are workers unable to go to their regular workplace due to social distancing requirements, as well as those missing work to care for a family member.

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