Supporting Idaho’s COVID-19 Dislocated Workers

Statewide

Project Summary (Need)

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor of the state of Idaho declared a state emergency, and ordering immediate shut downs, closures and layoffs across every county in the state. Idaho’s hotels, restaurants, and bars employed approximately 70,782 employees in the “Accommodations and Food” industry. Idaho’s project is flexible and mobile, and will provide the necessary resources to impacted businesses and workers across the state that were severely impacted by this declaration.

Disaster Relief Employment

The project proposes the cleanup of impacted sites across the state, such as nursing homes and similar facilities, and the provision of appropriate training and personal protective equipment (PPE); the distribution of other basic needs, such food and clothing, to others impacted by the COVID pandemic, focusing on those most in need, such as low-income basic-skills deficient adults, low-income families with younger children or older, less ambulatory adults. The project will also cover onboarding and orientation costs for location specific documentation and procedures and standards, EMR, PPE, HIPPA, etc. These positions will assist with relief work for professionals currently working in these arenas to prevent/avoid burnout and other issues affecting these workers. The program will also provide supportive services.

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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