Supporting Cherokee Nation's COVID-19 Dislocated Workers

The entire Cherokee Nation reservation, located across the following 14 counties: Adair, Cherokee, Craig, Delaware, Mayes, McIntosh, Muskogee, Nowata, Ottawa, Rogers, Sequoyah, Tulsa, Wagoner and Washington.

Project Summary (Need)

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Cherokee Nation Indian Reservation located in Northeastern Oklahoma has experienced a series of large dislocations across the entire community. The crisis has affected most of the state's economy, requiring that employment recovery activities focus mainly on certain sectors of the economy.

Employment Recovery Activities

The Tribe's application documented significant and widespread layoffs on the reservation throughout the 14 rural counties. Reemployment services will focus on ensuring participants receive the necessary skills to sustain economic security in new careers.

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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