

# Trade & Economic Transition DWG

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Grantee



**Palmetto Goodwill**

Targeted Populations



**Dislocated Workers**

## Funding Announcement

Training & Employment Guidance Letter (TEGL) No. 2-18

Additional DWG Resources



Trade and Economic Transition National Dislocated Worker Grants (DWG), with funding of up to \$100 million for each award, \$8 million for each individual award. This grant will enable successful applicants to address ongoing or emerging workforce and economic challenges by providing training and career services to dislocated workers seeking reentry into the workforce, and increasing their skill levels to become competitive for growing or high-demand employment opportunities.



Planned Participants Served

**400**



Total Award Amount

**\$4,246,254**



## Economic Transition Factors

The challenge facing the local economy in Palmetto Goodwill's service area in the context of dislocated workforce is twofold: 1) Reported closures and layoffs in Palmetto Goodwill's service area have resulted in 1,781 dislocated workers in the last 18 months; 2) Large-scale businesses are citing recent difficulties finding "adequately skilled labor" and report hiring has been a bigger challenge than they expected.



## Proposal Summary

Palmetto Goodwill will connect the dislocated workforce to high-demand sectors by transitioning program participants into (1) career credentialing programs and/or (2) on-the-job training employment programs resulting in (3) sustainable employment.



## Sectors of Focus

- Production and Mechanical
- Hospitality
- Medical
- Business Operations Support
- Software / IT



## Proposed Outcome

The favorable business climate, low state taxes, developing land, and access to the public port system makes South Carolina an attractive location to global marketplaces for companies from Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Sweden, and the U.K. to effectively expand their U. S. manufacturing presence and booming domestic businesses.



Project Service Area

Period of Award: September 2018-September 2020