National Health Emergency Dislocated Worker Grants



Washington

Counties of Grays Harbor, Lewis, Mason, Pacific, and Thurston

Grant Number:







11/1/2021 -10/31/2023 Total Award



\$1,785,474

Planned **Participants**





Dislocated Workers



Project Overview

This Disaster Recovery National Dislocated Worker Grant funding will continue to support the NHE DWG project providing disaster relief jobs and employment services to eligible individuals in the Washington State counties impacted by the health and economic effects of widespread opioid use, addiction, and overdose.



Project Description

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services declared the opioid crisis a national public health emergency in October 2017. This proposal specifically addresses the challenges experienced by individuals impacted by the opioid epidemic, who experience job loss and/or underemployment, coupled with an inability to afford housing, further compounded by COVID-19. As a result of more skilled workers being added to the pool of jobseekers competing for work, there is a greater need for this population to receive training to increase their employability through career readiness, job skill training, and related supportive services.



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