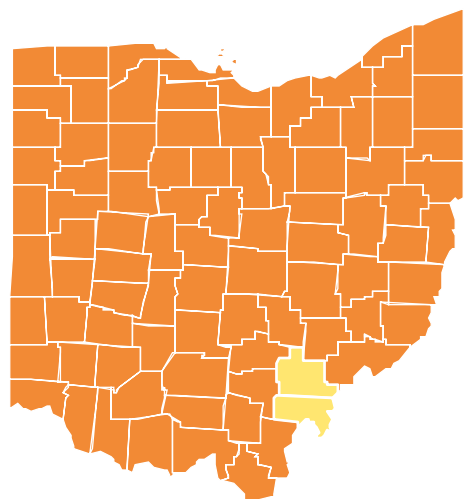


National Dislocated Worker Grants

WORKFORCE OPPORTUNITY FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES (WORC IV)

Appalachian Regional Commission and Delta Regional Authority (ARC - DRA)
Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA-ETA-22-13)

Grant Number: MI-38992-22-60-A-39



Area to be Served: Athens, and Meigs Counties

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Building Experience Through Training and Education in Rural Appalachia Ohio: BETTER Appalachia

The goal of the WORC grants is to create economic prosperity and gainful employment opportunities for eligible residents in impacted ARC and DRA regions, enabling them to remain and thrive in these communities.

BETTER Appalachia Ohio will provide on-the-job training opportunities to individuals who are underserved and underrepresented in the workforce or have barriers to employment in Athens and Meigs Counties. BETTER Appalachia is a collaborative effort between community development organizations (Rural Action and Coalfield Development), employer and industry representative partners (Athens Hocking Recycling Centers, Zero Waste Event Productions, Snowville Creamery, United Plant Savers), and state/local workforce development centers. BETTER Appalachia will offer training, educational, professional, and personal development opportunities to 20 participants divided into four cohorts (cohort) over 36 months. The participants will be employed for up to six months at either a RA social enterprise or one of our industry partners at \$14/hour. These individuals will have the opportunity to engage in classes for industry certifications and credentials.



Planned
Participants

20



Award
Amount

\$1,421,763



Target
Population

Multiple
Groups



Period of
Performance

9/15/22
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9/30/25