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Congresswoman Bean visits the McHenry County Workforce Network office

WOODSTOCK, IL – Congresswoman Melissa Bean was given a guided tour of the McHenry County Workforce Network office on Thursday, April 1th to observe how the Workforce Network was helping put individuals back to work. McHenry County Board District 2 Representative Lyn Orphal was also available on this tour.

“It is always great when our Congressional Representatives can take time out of their busy schedule to observe the good things they are doing for McHenry County Citizens,” stated Lyn Orphal in regards to the Congresswoman’s visit.

In 2009, Congresswoman Melissa Bean recently obtained a \$387,187 in funding for the McHenry County College (MCC) Flexible and Sustainable Training (F.A.S.T.) program. The program is the result of a partnership between McHenry County, the McHenry County Economic Development Corporation, the McHenry County Workforce Network, McHenry County Workforce Board, and MCC for workforce training. The training will provide employer-identified, short-term occupational training needs in the specific fields of Basic Manufacturing, Computer Numerical Controlled (CNC) Machining and Bilingual Nurse Assistance (BNA). MCC recently launched the Basic Manufacturing course and plans to follow with CNC Machining later this year and the with BNA training next spring. Program funds cover the cost of training, so there is no fee for qualified participants.

In addition to assisting with the F.A.S.T. program, McHenry County Workforce Network administers the Federal Workforce Investment Act. Services are available to help job seekers with their employment and training needs and to assist area employers with a variety of business services. For more detailed information visit the Workforce Network website at www.mchenrycountyworkforce.com.

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Congresswoman Bean speaking with staff at the McHenry County Workforce Network office.



Congresswoman Bean taking a tour of the McHenry County Workforce Network office.