

# Fiscal Year 2012/2013 Budget Highlights and Goals

## McHenry County Workforce Network Department

### **FY2012 Highlights**

- Federal funding for program services was reduced by 7%.
- Congressman Hultgren visited the Workforce Center and met with staff and customers to learn how the workforce system works in McHenry County. Also discussed was how federal budget cuts are impacting local program services.
- Department was awarded \$13,500 grant from the McHenry County Community Foundation to serve at risk youth in the Workplace Skills for 2012 work readiness program.
- Over 8000 visitors utilized 15, 700 services at the Workforce Center.
- Over 3500 people attended department programs such as job club, job fairs, seminars, mock interviews and resume critiques.
- 626 individuals participated in WIA funded services.
- 150 WIA eligible customers participated in training in high demand occupations.
- 51% of expended grant dollars were spent on training programs, which exceed the 40% training requirement imposed by Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO), the State department that administers WIA grants.
- Workforce Network exceeded the required federal spending levels during the last program year.
- The department exceeded 5 of its 9 federal performance goals negotiated with DCEO. Of the remaining 4 that were met, the department reached 96.4%, 97.21%, 99.93% and 99.34% of its negotiated goals for those measures.

### **FY2013 Goals**

- To maintain quality programs and service levels after an additional 12.2% cut in federal funding over the 7% cut the previous program year.
- To re-negotiate performance goals with DCEO and to achieve those goals for adult, youth and dislocated worker programs.
- To spend the federally required 80% of WIA allocated funds by 6/30/13, which will keep funds from being re-allocated to other State Workforce Areas.
- To continue outreach and recruitment activities for WIA programs.
- To collaborate with existing workforce partners and develop new partners in enhancing workforce programs in McHenry County.