

Welcome Back Home.

WORKFORCE 2.0: IVY TECH AND IEDC ROLL OUT TRAINING PROGRAM

Seeking to address a persistent need faced by Indiana employers, the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) and Ivy Tech Corporate College (ITCC) are collaborating to provide a cost-effective opportunity for Hoosier companies to have new hires trained by Ivy Tech.

Workforce 2.0, being piloted in the last quarter of 2012, is a forgivable-loan program intended to help to defray some of the costs that companies incur addressing the “skills gap” and to build an Indiana workforce of certified workers.

After ITCC and IEDC have identified companies ready to hire, ITCC will consult with these companies to build the certificate-based quality training solutions that meet their needs. ITCC and each company will identify candidates for training and employment. (New hires must never have previously worked for the company.)

An agreement is reached whereby the new employee agrees to work for at least one year, and the company agrees to retain the employee for as long (assuming no terminable offense). The firm makes a loan, to be forgiven after one year of continuous employment, to cover 50 percent of the cost of the appropriate program at Ivy Tech. Using Skills Enhancement Fund money, IEDC pays for

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Did you know ...

that the Valparaiso-based Regional Development Company can help you to get up to 90-percent financing at a lower interest rate for business growth and expansion?

Contact us to learn more!

Pulaski Co. Economic Development bringing OSHA 30 training to Winamac

As part of continuing efforts to improve our local workforce and to assist local companies, PCED is pleased to announce that it is bringing trainers from Heritage Group Safety, of Indianapolis, to Winamac to offer complete OSHA 30 training in January 2013.

The thirty hours of training will take place on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, 9-11 January, and then on Thursday and Friday, 17-18 January; sessions will begin at either 7:00 or 8:00 a.m. each day and will last for six hours, with one hour allotted for lunch. The training will occur at the corporate headquarters of The Braun Corporation, 631 West Eleventh Street (S.R. 14 West), Winamac.

The class is limited to the first 20 participants, and a cap of 5 employees per company is in effect. This opportunity for local OSHA 30 training not only will allow employers to save on travel and related expenses, but also is being offered at a very competitive cost. Although, at most, it could cost \$500 per employee, that rate is likely to be discounted to about \$415. If this program is successful, and enough interest is shown, then PCED will arrange for future sessions.

If your Pulaski-County company is interested in participating, contact PCED Executive Director Nathan P. Origer for more information.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ...

Pulaski Health Care Center on 25 years of nursing and rehabilitation care in Winamac!

Schlatter's, Inc., on 60 years of intelligent-water-management service to farmers near and far!

the Link family on the opening of their new truck-parts store at Link Environmental!

T&S Recycle on its recent relocation and expansion, financed by the Revolving Loan Fund!

PULASKI COUNTY, HOME TO ...

- the Power from the Past antique-engine-and-tractor show.
- the Chamber's Winter Wonderland.
- the Francesville Fall Festival, Monterey Days, Star City Day, the Medaryville Decorating Committee Annual Poker Run, and much more!

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Lieutenant Governor visits Francesville

In mid-September, as part of her Hoosier Crossroads Tour, Lieutenant Governor Becky Skillman visited Pulaski County, dropping in at local drainage-pipe manufacturer Fratco. Under fourth-generation Overmyer-family ownership, Fratco has three plants in three states, employs more than 100 people, and is a truly entrepreneurial business. Known for agricultural products, the company makes corrugated piping for industrial, commercial, residential, and public-sector storm-water management, too. While at Fratco, Mrs. Skillman presented to owner Christopher Overmyer a Partner in Progress award.

Congratulations, Chris — and everyone at Fratco!

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the other half. ITCC will receive 75 percent of the funds at the onset; the final quarter will be paid after the student-employee is successfully certified.

If your company may be interested in the Workforce 2.0 program, contact PCED Executive Director Nathan P. Origer for more information.

WHY PULASKI COUNTY?

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Our Mission

Pulaski County Economic Development holds to a mission to promote and improve the quality of economic development throughout Pulaski County in pursuit of excellence through the following endeavors:

- *Supporting the expansion and continued investment of Pulaski County businesses.
- *Recruiting new business and industry into Pulaski County.
- *Promoting tourism and the increase of transient spending in Pulaski County.
- *Developing and supporting business services such as workforce development, infrastructure, planning, financial programs, technology initiatives and entrepreneurial programs.
- *Conducting charitable and educational activities.

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