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Next Level Jobs for Indiana's Great Southwest



Two million Hoosiers need additional training to compete in the 21st Century workforce, and there will be over 1 million job openings in Indiana due to retirements and the creation of new jobs by 2025. In Southwest Indiana alone, over 8,000 jobs right now are going unfilled. Whether you're a Hoosier looking for a better-paying job or an employer looking for a better-skilled workforce, Indiana's Next Level Jobs initiative can help.

For job seekers, the Workforce Ready Grant Qualifying Programs offer credit bearing and non-credit bearing certificates through partners Ivy Tech Community College and Vincennes University in sectors such as Advanced Manufacturing, Building and Construction and Health and Life Sciences.

[Click here for a complete listing of certificates.](#)

For employers, the Employer Training Grant offers reimbursable training cost of up to \$2,500 per new employee that are trained, hired and retained for 6 months; application limit of \$25,000 per employer in eligible businesses in any of the following sectors: Advanced Manufacturing, IT/Business Services, Transportation and Logistics, Health Sciences, Building and Construction and Agriculture.

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Community Development News

Help to Refine the State's Action Plan

The State of Indiana is asking citizens to provide their feedback on the State of Indiana Annual Action Plan for 2018. This proposed plan details the method of distribution of the State's HUD-funded programs: State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME); Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program; and Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Program.

If you would like to review the draft plan and submit feedback, please do so before April 1, 2018. An on-line version of the plan can be found on the [OCRA web site](#).

If you have questions about the plan or would like more information about how the plan may or may not affect your community, please contact the **Coalition's Community Development Team at 812-423-2020**.

Berry Global adds \$70M and 150 jobs to Evansville Plant



Berry Global announces plans to invest \$70 million in its downtown Evansville manufacturing facility while adding up to 150 jobs.

For the full press release, please click below.

[Berry Global Expands in Southwest Indiana](#)

Business Feature - Toyota Indiana

About Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Indiana

Toyota Indiana began production in Princeton, Ind., in 1998. Today, it employs more than 5,400 team members from the Tri-State who build the Sequoia full-size sport utility vehicle, Sienna minivan and Highlander and Highlander Hybrid midsize sport utility vehicles. Toyota's total investment at the Princeton, Ind., plant is \$4.3 billion.



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