



## Worker Training and Placement in High Growth and Emerging Industry Sectors

### Purpose of the Grant

Competitive funding for research, labor exchange and job training that prepares workers for careers in energy efficiency, renewable energy and health care

### What Funds Are Available?

\$750 million total (\$500 million designated for energy efficiency and renewable energy careers, and \$250 million designated for health care careers)

### What Agencies Will Receive the Funds?

Local WIBs will apply directly to the Department of Labor

### When to Apply

DOL has released applications for 5 separate competitive grants:

1. Green Capacity Building Grants – deadline 8/5/09
2. State Labor Market Information Improvement Grants – deadline 8/14/09
3. Energy Training Partnership Grants – deadline 9/4/09
4. Pathways Out of Poverty Grants – deadline 9/29/09
5. State Energy Partnership Grants – deadline 10/20/09

Grant Applications can be found here: [www.doleta.gov/grants/find\\_grants.cfm](http://www.doleta.gov/grants/find_grants.cfm)

Grants 3 and 5 above will reserve a portion of funds for communities impacted by automotive-related restructuring (an automotive coalition has identified the following states as being significantly impacted: Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, Texas, and Wisconsin)

### Specific Allowable Activities

Will include projects that provide training to upgrade skills of employed workers in enterprise communities or empowerment zones; promote distance learning; and establish partnerships with national organizations with expertise in employment and training services

**DOL Guidance:** <http://wdr.doleta.gov/directives/attach/ten/TEN44-08.pdf>

### How Does Cisco Networking Academy Fit In?

Cisco Networking Academy is creating a pipeline of talent that will fuel workforce development initiatives in support of economic recovery including IT in healthcare and green jobs. Networking Academy delivers:

- IT and networking skills mapped to high-skill, high-demand, high-wage jobs in virtually every industry
- sustainable partnerships with high schools and community colleges at the forefront of workforce development
- education and career pathways

### What You Can Do NOW

- Meet with leaders at your local Workforce Investment Board
- Develop a project that uses Cisco® Networking Academy® to target IT in GREEN jobs and healthcare.
- Review the state-by-state Networking Academy Project 51 profile to get statistics on IT demands in your state
- Find tools to help with your grant on Cisco Networking Academy's **Economic Stimulus (ARRA) page** at [http://www.cisco.com/web/learning/netacad/us/econ\\_stim.html](http://www.cisco.com/web/learning/netacad/us/econ_stim.html), including the Cisco Grants Office Webinar schedule and recordings
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