

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act PY25 Formula Grant

Grant Period: July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2027

Grant Amount: \$8,516,791

Strategic Imperative Supported: Increasing Industry-Led Workforce Solutions – Develop Solutions through Career Pathways.

Project Purpose: Support integrated workforce services for youth, adults, and dislocated workers across Lake County.

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) has awarded Lake County Workforce Development (LCWD) \$8,516,791 in Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Program Year 2025 (PY25) Formula Grant funds. The grant includes funding from all three WIOA Title I stream: Youth, Adult, and Dislocated Worker.

PY'25 WIOA ALLOCATIONS	
Youth	2,569,497
Adult	2,412,417
Dislocated Worker	3,534,877
Total	8,516,791

The WIOA Grant supports the Workforce Development Department staff, Job Center operations, and the delivery of high-impact employment and training services to Lake County residents. The WIOA Grant will be used to provide a range of career pathway services including tuition assistance, paid work experiences, employer training grants, and job readiness support. Services are targeted toward high school students, out-of-school youth, unemployed and underemployed adults, dislocated workers, and incumbent workers.

Key grant-funded activities include:

- Career coaching and employment navigation
- Tuition assistance and credential-based training
- Paid internships and transitional jobs
- On-the-job training and incumbent worker training grants
- Business services and labor market intelligence
- Job Center staffing and operational infrastructure

This grant provides essential funding to help individuals connect to meaningful employment, strengthen local talent pipelines, and support Lake County businesses.