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"Million Dollar Bobbi" Shares Grant Writing Tips with Local Employers

Fox Valley Workforce Development Board Hosts Fast Forward Grant Training February 28 in Oshkosh

Bobbi Miller, business services manager for the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board, will lead a training event for all employers interested in learning how to submit a successful Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development Fast Forward Grant. The training will be held 1-4 pm on Wednesday, February 28, at the Oshkosh Job Center, 219 Washington Avenue, Suite 107, Oshkosh.

The goal of the training session is to increase applicants' understanding of the WFF grant application process, grant program goals, funding processes and information on what makes a successful grant application. A Fast Forward Grant is one in which the DWD matches financial commitments from partner employers. The program has tough metrics, requiring all employees to not only complete the program and demonstrate proficiency, but the company must also provide each employee with a salary increase within a set period of time.

"I call her 'Million Dollar Bobbi," said Anthony Snyder, CEO of the Fox Valley
Workforce Development Board. "She's been incredibly successful at bringing coalitions of

employers together, tackling critical training needs and ensuring that the outcomes are a real knockout!" Since 2013, the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board has worked with local employers in its six county area of Calumet, Green Lake, Fond du Lac, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago, to bring in more than \$1 million in Fast Forward Grant dollars.

This training session is free, but registration is required by emailing Carrie Korth at ckorth@fvwdb.com or calling 920-720-5600.

Other activities of the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board include programs for workers aged 55 and older, job search strategies and resume building for those who are unemployed or underemployed, and working with local employers and technical colleges to develop training programs to upskill workers for roles to be filled along the I-41 corridor.

The Fox Valley Workforce Development Board, based in Neenah, represents the six counties of Calumet, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago. The best way to find out about services that are right for you is to visit one of the six (6) Job Centers in Berlin, Fond du Lac, Menasha, Oshkosh, Waupaca or Wautoma, or check out the web site at www.foxvalleyjobcenters.com.

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Fox Valley Workforce Development Board (FVWDB) is a not-for-profit working to build a world-class workforce in northeast Wisconsin. Serving six counties — Calumet, Green Lake, Fond du Lac, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago — FVWDB collaborates with a number of state and local agencies to help job seekers gain the skills needed to find employment, and to help businesses find the highly skilled workers they need.

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