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Fox Valley Workforce Development Board Opens Support Form to Help Workers & Businesses Rebuild After Menasha Tornado

NEENAH, WI — Following the devastating July 27 tornado in Menasha, local recovery efforts are shifting from emergency cleanup to taking care of the people and local businesses impacted by the storm. To ensure no one has to navigate this difficult time alone, the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board (FVWDB) has opened a community support form on the Oshkosh Job Center website at www.oshkoshjobcenter.com.

The online form allows local workers and business owners to share how they have been affected, whether through sudden layoffs or temporary or permanent workplace closures.

"As impacted residents move to the next stage of storm recovery, both employers and employees may find their businesses are either temporarily or permanently closed," said Anthony Snyder, CEO of the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board. "We urge anyone facing job loss or operational disruptions to connect with the Fox Valley Workforce Development Board immediately. Our team is fully prepared to provide immediate unemployment guidance, job placement resources, and employer support to help our community navigate these next steps."

Anyone who submits the form will be connected with a local workforce professional. These specialists are ready to offer compassionate, hands-on guidance for essential recovery services, including:

- **Unemployment Claims:** Step-by-step help for displaced workers navigating the Unemployment Insurance filing process.
- **WARN Notices:** Compliance support and transition planning for business owners who must file local worker notices.
- **Free Career Training:** Enrollment in retraining classes fully paid for by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).
- **Job Seeker Services:** Personalized help with building resumes and finding new employment opportunities.

Community members are encouraged to fill out the form today so local teams can start coordinating personal support immediately and to determine if additional resources are needed to serve dislocated workers and employers in our region. For immediate assistance, reach out to these contacts:

- **For Businesses/Employers:** Bobbi Miller, FVWDB Business Solutions Manager, at **920-470-0837** or via email at bmiller@fvwdb.com
- **For Employees/Workers:** Forward Service Corporation (FSC) at **920-278-9264** or via email at foxvalleywioa@fsc-corp.org

The Fox Valley Workforce Development Board, based in Neenah, represents the six counties of Calumet, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago. Leaders from a

variety of employers, training providers, labor unions, chambers, economic development agencies and other private and public entities, come together to solve problems in their workforce development area.

Funded primarily by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), the FVWDB leads a number of workforce development and job training programs in its six-county area in NE Wisconsin in partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development (DWD), the Wisconsin Department of Corrections (DOC) and the US Department of Labor.

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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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