

Operating Incentives

Job Training

Administered by DCEO, the Employee Training Investment Program (ETIP) is a streamlined, cost-effective program to help Illinois workers keep their skills consistent with changing technologies and business processes. Businesses benefit through increased productivity, reduced costs, improved quality and competitiveness.

ETIP provides grants that can reimburse companies for up to 50 percent of the cost of training their employees. Employers may select the workers that will participate in the training. Instructors may be plant workers, public education employees, private consultants, or others who possess the required instructional expertise.

Recruitment Assistance Program

In addition to ETIP grant funds, DCEO and the City of Staunton can coordinate a company's workforce development efforts through the County's Employment and Training Department. The Department is conveniently located in nearby Litchfield, IL. Funded through the Federal Workforce Investment Act, Macoupin County Employment and Training provides free or low cost outreach, recruitment, assessment and additional job training assistance to new or existing employers. They can conduct job fairs and post ads in local newspapers to assist in the recruitment of skilled employees. Macoupin County works in cooperation with the DCEO to ensure that the company is provided a customized and coordinated action plan for filling its employment needs which maximizes all available state, local and federal job tax credits and training funds.