

Sustainability Updates



Join the Ohio TechNet Team

Those who volunteered to assist OTN with our sustainability planning will meet next week to begin identifying committees aligned to the work required to formalize our vision statement, logic plan, budget, outreach to potential funders, etc.

If interested in joining this work team, please contact **Melika Matthews**.

Making Ohio Campaign

Ohio TechNet supported the launch of MakingOhio.com. This marketing campaign has sparked interest in manufacturing among students and community stakeholders. Let's continue to spread the word about manufacturing via MakingOhio.com and Making Ohio social media platforms!



News and Updates

Ohio Department of Higher Ed issues Regional RAPIDS Awards

More than \$3.6 million in capital funding was approved for transfer by the state's Controlling Board to provide four regional



awards for the Regionally Aligned Priorities in Delivering Skills (RAPIDS), the department's workforce development projects.

[Read more!](#)

AACC to host Workforce Development Institute Exploring Intersections conference

The American Association of Community Colleges will hold a four-day event in New Orleans, **Jan. 30 - Feb. 2**, highlighting the importance of collaboration between the community college workforce and economic development efforts.



TAACCCT grantees are invited to a series of pre-meeting events beginning Jan. 29 through Jan. 30 prior to the start of the Workforce Development Institute.

[Learn More!](#)

A Quick-Start Toolkit: Building Registered Apprenticeship Programs

This toolkit, shared on WorkforceGPS, provides steps and resources to help practitioners start and register an apprenticeship program.



[Learn More!](#)

Featured Success Story

Welding Training Leads to Increased Earnings

A Cincinnati State graduate is using his welding skills as he launches his career. Shortly after graduation, he was hired by Artistic Ironworks earning \$15/hr, a \$5/hr increase from his earnings at intake. In his new position, he works for the company creating custom ironwork pieces for clients.



[Submit a Success Story](#)

Manufacturing USA Corner

LIFT earns 2017 ASM Foundation Pacesetter Award

Lightweight Innovations For Tomorrow (LIFT) was honored with this year's ASM Foundation Pacesetter Award in recognition of its involvement in education and workforce development with the institute's ASM Teacher Bootcamps.



[Read the recap!](#)

Project Managers' Corner

Open Requests

Project Managers receive multiple requests from the grant lead team. Priority requests are highlighted to the right.

[View all Recent Requests!](#)

PRIORITY REQUESTS

- [Upload Deliverables to SharePoint](#)
- [Upload Career Pathways to SharePoint](#)
- [Submit a Success Story](#)
- Obtain approval from employers for inclusion on Ohio TechNet website

Veterans Corner

Workforce Team Reports First-Year Impact

The ODVS Veteran Workforce Team reached its one-year anniversary in October.

The group's goal includes connecting with businesses of all sizes across the state to highlight the unique skill sets veterans bring to the table, as well as providing customized training for employers interested in learning more about veteran employment targeted for human resources, recruiters and hiring managers.

In its first year, the team conducted nearly 100 training sessions for more than 1,500 attendees, representing nearly 800 Ohio employers and established programs to hire and retain veterans at 15 businesses.



[Learn more about the Veterans Workforce Team!](#)

Ohio Means Veteran Jobs

OhioMeansJobs has a portal for veterans. This includes a military skills translator to help veterans build a civilian resume, an MOS search to match veterans military skills with Ohio's in-demand jobs, a list of more than 1,400 military-friendly employers and information on how veterans and military spouses receive priority service when obtaining a state-issued professional license or certificate.

[Go to Ohio Means Veteran Jobs!](#)



MTAGS

MTAGs provide a statewide guarantee that certain types of military training, experience, and/or coursework align to existing college and university courses and will be awarded appropriate credit.

[Learn More!](#)



Learning From Other TAACCCT Initiatives

Embracing the Community College Mission

How can community colleges expand their impact on the workforce of the future? That was the question explored during a recent roundtable discussion with four leading voices from the industry, education, workforce development, and nonprofit sectors.

[Read on!](#)



Resources

Resource List

Ohio TechNet resources are added to SharePoint on an ongoing basis. These can be easily accessed using the Quick Links to the right.

Contact [Melika Matthews](#) for SharePoint access.

QUICK LINKS:

- [OTN Training Recordings, Documents, & Materials](#)
- [OTN Technical Assistance Files](#)
- [OTN Technical Assistance Links](#)
- [OTN Affinity/Work Team Collaboration Sites](#)
- [TAACCCT Learning Network](#)
- [TAACCCT Sustainability Toolkit](#)
- [Open Educational Resources](#)

Ohio TechNet is designed to transform the way in which higher education works with employers to better align education and training with industry needs for Advanced Manufacturing in Ohio. The goals and strategies of Ohio TechNet are to better identify businesses' most pressing needs, align and accelerate training programs to fill the skills gap, and support transformation of the state's workforce delivery system.

Ohio TechNet launched in 2014 via a \$15 million TAACCCT grant made to LCCC on behalf of a statewide consortium of 11 Ohio community colleges including Columbus State, Cincinnati State, Tri-C, Eastern Gateway, Lakeland, LCCC, Owens, Rhodes, Stark State, Sinclair and Zane State.

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