

# Job Training

The Job Training Partnership Act program is designed to combine the resources of the State, business and local government in an effort to develop programs which will help put Alaskans to work. JTPA programs are intended to help economically disadvantaged and long-term unemployed

individuals to receive job training and secure good jobs. A variety of training opportunities and services are offered, including classroom and on-the-job training, job searches, career counseling, aptitude testing and job referrals.

For the purposes of service provision, Alaska is divided into three Ser-



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vice Delivery Areas: Anchorage (plus the Mat-Su Borough), the Fairbanks North Star Borough, and the remainder of the State (Alaska Statewide SDA). Programs in each of these areas are carried out under the guidance of a Private Industry Council (PIC) made up of business and community leaders. The PICs, in partnership with local government, design a plan tailored to the local training needs of those targeted to receive services. A 15-member State Job Training Coordinating Council (SJTCC) appointed by the Governor provides oversight and advisory functions for all Alaskan JTPA matters.

DCRA staff in Anchorage operate the Job Training Partnership Office which provides support to the SJTCC and administers the overall State JTPA program. Additionally, the Alaska Statewide SDA, which provides JTPA services for all of rural Alaska, is administered by DCRA staff located in Juneau with regional offices in Nome, Bethel, Fairbanks, Anchorage and Juneau.

JTPA grants are also available for vocational education coordination, older workers training, youth summer employment, dislocated worker training programs, and other discretionary training grants.



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