# What is CareerForce?

CareerForce is Minnesota's career development and talent matching resource. We have an extensive network of partners throughout the state and together we're dedicated to delivering prosperous outcomes for career seekers, employers, communities and for Minnesota. Anyone is welcome to access our many innovative programs and services at CareerForce locations throughout the state or on CareerForceMN.com.

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Minnesota's Career Resource

Getting Back to Work After a Trade-Related Layoff

#### Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA)

## **GETTING BACK TO WORK** with Trade Adjustment Assistance Services

The Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) Program is a federal program that provides aid to workers who lost their jobs, are at risk of losing their jobs, or whose hours of work and wages are reduced as a result of foreign competition.

TAA services are designed to help you regain employment that is the same or better than the job you are at risk of losing or have actually lost.

#### TAA, IN COLLABORATION WITH DISLOCATED WORKER PROGRAM, MAY BE ABLE TO PROVIDE

#### **Reemployment Services**

- Employment Counseling
- Skills and Interest Assessments
- Job Search, resume, and interviewing workshops
- Self-Directed Job Search Services

#### Job Search Allowance

For costs associated with a job search outside of your local area

#### **Relocation Allowance**

For costs associated with relocating to a job outside of your local area



#### **Training Services**

Eligible workers can select one of the following training options within specific timeframes:

- Classroom/online training (short or long-term)
- On-the-job training
- Apprenticeship/Employer-based training

Classroom training can include:

- Prerequisites required for the approved training program
- Courses leading to a degree, diploma, or industry recognized credential

#### Trade Readjustment Allowance (TRA)

Extended unemployment benefits for eligible workers enrolled in TAA-approved full-time training

#### **Transportation and Subsistence Allowances**

For costs of attending training outside your local area

#### Reemployment Trade Adjustment Assistance (RTAA)

Wage supplement available to workers 50 years of age or older if a new job pays less than their tradeimpacted position

#### Health Coverage Tax Credit

HCTC pays 72.5% of qualified health insurance premiums for eligible individuals and their families; administered by the IRS

## **TAA** Petition Approval Process

#### A business closes, threatens a layoff, or lays off workers.

- A group of three or more workers, a company official, a union representative, or a CareerForce partner files a petition with the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Trade Adjustment Assistance (OTAA).
- **3** OTAA investigates the petition.
- 4 OTAA certifies or denies the petition for TAA eligibility.

# YOUR NEXT STEPS

If the petition is certified, TAA will send you an eligibility letter and TAA Handbook through certified mail.

Connect with a Dislocated Worker Provider to get started; each TAA service has its own timeline. Providers can be found: <u>mn.gov/deed/job-seekers/</u> recently-unemployed/layoff/dwp-serviceproviders.jsp

#### Visit CareerForceMN.com/TAA to learn more about TAA services