WIN JOB CENTERS

Brookhaven 545 Brookway Boulevard 601-833-3511

Canton Madison County WIN Job Center 152 Watford Parkway Drive 601-859-7609

> **Columbus** (Golden Triangle) 5000 N. Frontage Road 662-328-6876

DeSoto County Southhaven 7320 Highway 51 N 662-341-4002

Gulfport 10162 Southpark Drive 228-897-6900

Jackson 5959 I-55 N., Frontage Rd., Ste. C. 601-321-7931

> **McComb** 416 Marion Avenue 601-684-4421

Natchez 107 Colonel John Pitchford Parkway 601-442-0243

> **Pearl** 212 St. Paul Street 601-321-5441

Vicksburg 1625 Monroe Street 601-638-1452



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On-the-Job Training



MCOT ON-THE-JOB TRAINING PROGRAM

The Mississippi Careers of Tomorrow (MCOT) initiative provides employment opportunities for individuals and employers in filling job openings in the **Information Technology** and **Engineering** fields.

HOW DOES MCOT WORK?

Working through the WIN Job Centers, MCOT places individuals into available jobs in the targeted fields with employers. The employer trains the individual to their specifications during a prescribed period of time. At the conclusion of training, the employer is eligible for a partial reimbursement of the wages paid to the employee during the training period.

THE RESULT?

Through MCOT, employers are able to defray the cost of training their new employees and individuals gain valuable On-the-Job training and permanent employment. It's a WIN-WIN deal.



WHICH EMPLOYERS QUALIFY FOR MCOT?

Any private non-profit or private for-profit employer qualifies who:

- Offers a full-time position in one of the targeted IT or Engineering fields;
- Has an IRS identification number;
- Has Workers' Compensation or equivalent insurance in effect during the duration of the OJT training;
- Maintains an adequate system of bookkeeping to track training and submit invoicing for reimbursement.

WHAT INDIVIDUALS QUALIFY FOR MCOT TRAINING?

Any individual who:

- is a U.S. citizen;
- is not currently employed by the employer who is to provide the On-the-Job training
- is unemployed or underemployed and seeking work in higher-level careers in the IT or Engineering fields; and
- meets the employer's requirements for employment in the available position.

HOW DO INDIVIDUALS GET STARTED?

Contact one of the WIN Job Centers listed on the back and ask about employment opportunities with the Mississippi Careers of Tomorrow program.

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It'S Easy! Just contact Mr. Terry Hodges, MCOT Project Manager, at thodges@mdes.ms.gov or (601)321-5443.

You can also visit one of the WIN Job Centers listed on the back and ask for a WIN Job Center OJT Specialist. One of these individuals will work with you to develop an OJT agreement that will meet your company's specific hiring and training needs.

WIN Job Center staff will assist you in finding an individual you wish to hire and train, or you can locate your own potential employees and refer them to the WIN Job Center.

The main thing to remember is that both you the employer, and the individual you will hire, must work with the WIN Job Center staff PRIOR to placing the individual on your payroll.