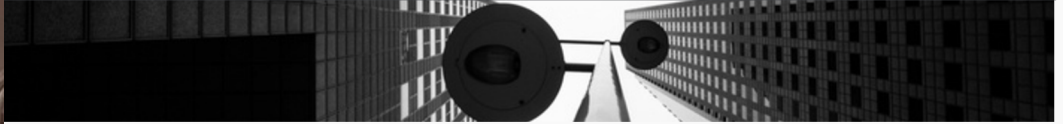


AUGUST 2024

SOUTHERN 14

NEWSLETTER



Success Story

Tracy Sutton came into the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity office at Wabash Area Development, Inc. in June 2022. He was seeking assistance for the Radiography Program offered at Olney Central College.

Tracy had been employed at Champion Laboratories, Inc. He was laid off from his job after 27 years of employment.

Tracy had applied to the Radiography Program at Olney Central College and was accepted into the program. He completed the 2-year program with all A's and B's in the classes and clinicals. He enjoyed the various clinical sites obtaining knowledge and experience.

Tracy graduated in May 2024. He passed the ARRT exam for his Radiologic Technologist License. He started his employment right away at Saint Vincent's Health System as a Radiology Technologist.

Tracy is very appreciative of all the assistance that the program was able to give him with tuition, books, uniforms, mileage reimbursement and testing fee reimbursement.

OFFICE NOTES:

- Upcoming Board Meeting: September 10, 2024
- Time: 7:00 pm
- Location: SIC Building G or Via Zoom

BOARD OFFICE:

- Open M-TR: 8-5
- PO BOX 186 Carmi, IL 62821
- Phone: 618-382-5024



WADI MONTHLY UPDATE

July 17th Ryan T attended SIC to meet with potential participants. Most of WADI's summer WEX students have gone back to school. They do however, have several youth starting this semester. This fall WADI has two beginning in cosmetology, two in CDL, one in auto-tech, one in diesel tech, three in LPN, one in RN, and one in criminal justice. At the end of July, the LWIB completed its quarterly in-service. During the in-service, career planners were given instruction on many topics but really learned a lot about the Service Matrix. Ryan and his staff also participated in the Policy Revision Taskforce and Business Services Team. At the end of August, the LWIB will be completing their quarterly programmatic monitoring.

SDC MONTHLY UPDATE

SDC WIOA has completed putting on new participants for the Fall 2024 semester. They estimate an additional 20 new participants began this fall. As of August 15th, SDC has one participant in the Youth-In-School WEX in Hardin County. They have a total of 4 participants in Adult WEX. Two of them are in Hardin County, one in Union County and one is also in Alexander County. SDC also has one Dislocated Worker on WEX. The Quest grant currently has 5 participants. Two participants are in Pope County, one is in Johnson County, one is in Hardin County, and one is in Union County. In July, SDC took part in several meetings including SIC potential students, Policy Revision Taskforce, and Business Services. In August, SDC plans to participate in the IWDS 2.0 webinar.

SOUTHERN 14 UPDATES

Each year the Illinois Workforce Partnership or IWP presents an award to winners from across the state that are nominated by each LWIA and then selected by a panel of workforce professionals. Shawnee Development Council and Wabash Area Development Inc. have submitted three local participants to our board for the Individual Achievement Award. This award recognizes the accomplishments of a participant whose progression through services leading to their goal was timely and focused. We should know by the September board meeting if our regional nominee has received this state award! Congratulations to the three local nominees: Tracy Sutton, Johnna Musgraves, and Zoe Dismore. We have concluded our Policy Revision Taskforce duties! Pam and Jessica still have some minor things to complete for this state project but we are ahead of schedule with our required policy revisions. The Local Plan revisions have been submitted to the state as well. Board reappointment letters went out last month and Jessica should have that project wrapped up by the September meeting.



CHANGES?

- Have you moved?
- Changed phone number?
- New email?
- Please notify the board office at boffice@so14lwib.com with any changes
- It is extremely important to let us know because of travel and communication! Thanks!!

Budget Information

PY23 (July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2024)			
	Total Budget	Expended 7/1/23 - 6/30/24	Remaining Budget
WADI			
In School Youth	52,042.04	48,250.81	3,791.23
Out of School Youth	149,658.44	78,301.59	71,356.85
Adult	396,421.99	309,051.19	87,370.80
Dislocated Worker	78,386.93	52,219.01	26,167.92
Total WADI	676,509.40	487,822.60	188,686.80
SDC			
In School Youth	77,097.01	44,719.93	32,377.08
Out of School Youth	125,478.00	50,197.14	75,280.86
Adult	400,480.61	336,190.70	64,289.91
Dislocated Worker	96,281.44	66,597.48	29,683.96
Total SDC	699,337.06	497,705.25	201,631.81



- Release date of July 25, 2024

INFORMATION:

- Each issue you will see rotating information and data to keep you all informed in different ways!
- Like to see something included in the monthly newsletter?
- Email boffice@so14lwib.com

Not Seasonally Adjusted Unemployment Rates (percent) for Local Counties and Areas

Labor Market Area	Jun 2024	Jun 2023	Over-the-Year Change
Carbondale MSA	5.8 %	4.7 %	1.1
Jackson County	5.8 %	4.8 %	1.0
Williamson County	5.7 %	4.6 %	1.1
Surrounding Counties			
Alexander County	8.5 %	7.1 %	1.4
Franklin County	6.9 %	5.8 %	1.1
Johnson County	7.4 %	6.0 %	1.4
Massac County	6.5 %	5.9 %	0.6
Perry County	6.5 %	5.5 %	1.0
Pulaski County	9.3 %	8.4 %	0.9
Randolph County	5.2 %	4.3 %	0.9
Union County	5.9 %	5.4 %	0.5
Harrisburg Area			
Gallatin County	6.3 %	6.1 %	0.2
Hamilton County	4.5 %	4.0 %	0.5
Hardin County	8.2 %	6.2 %	2.0
Pope County	5.5 %	4.1 %	1.4
Saline County	6.2 %	5.4 %	0.8
White County	5.1 %	4.2 %	0.9
Olney - Mt. Carmel Area			
Edwards County	5.3 %	5.0 %	0.3
Lawrence County	6.7 %	5.4 %	1.3
Richland County	5.2 %	4.7 %	0.5
Wabash County	4.5 %	3.7 %	0.8
Wayne County	5.6 %	4.8 %	0.8
Other Areas			
LWIA 23	5.3 %	4.4 %	0.9
LWIA 24	5.2 %	4.4 %	0.8
LWIA 25	6.0 %	5.0 %	1.0
LWIA 26	6.0 %	5.2 %	0.8
Southern EDR	6.0 %	5.1 %	0.9

Southern Illinois Highlights

Carbondale – Marion Area

The June 2024 unemployment rate was 5.8 percent. This was a +1.1 percentage points increase from the June 2023 rate of 4.7 percent. Employers in the region added +800 jobs year-over-year, including an increase in Government (+200) payrolls.

Surrounding Counties

Total nonfarm payrolls decreased by -225 jobs in June 2024 compared to a year ago.

Employment rose among Natural Resources-Mining (+75), Government (+25), Leisure-Hospitality (+25) and Information (+25) sector employers.

Employer payrolls were unchanged in the Professional-Business Services and Other Services sectors. Payrolls declined among employers in Trade-Transportation-Utilities (-150), Private Education-Health Services (-100), Construction (-50), Financial Activities (-25) and Manufacturing (-25).

Harrisburg Area

Total nonfarm employment increased by +325 jobs in June 2024 compared to June 2023.

Employment gains were posted by employers in Private Education-Health Services (+200), Government (+125), Natural Resources-Mining (+75), Financial Activities (+75) and Information (+25).

No change was recorded in payrolls in the Professional-Business Services, Leisure-Hospitality or Manufacturing sectors.

Employment declined among employers in Construction (-75), Other Services (-50) and Trade-Transportation-Utilities (-25).

Olney – Mt. Carmel Area

Total nonfarm payrolls contracted by -75 jobs in June 2024 compared to June 2023.

Payrolls increased among employers in the Private Education-Health Services (+75), Other Services (+25), Natural Resources-Mining (+25) and Government (+25) sectors.

Payroll employment was unchanged for employers in Leisure-Hospitality, Information and Trade-Transportation-Utilities.

In the region, employers in the Manufacturing (-150), Construction (-50), Profession-Business Services (-25) and Financial Activities (-25) sectors had a lower number of employees in June 2024 than in June 2023.