SOUTHERN 14 NEWSLETTER





SUCCESS STORY

Sydnie Ross first enrolled in the Surgical Technology training program through Shawnee Community College during the fall 2021 semester. She applied for WIOA in July of that year. When Sydnie started her training, she already had and Associate degree in Art, Science, and General Studies. She also had a certificate in General Education Core. She completed all of these with high honors.

Sydnie had been working as a part-time clerk in a local tax service agency since 2017. She continued to do so once she started her training in August of 2021. She maintained straight A's every semester from that time until she graduated in May 2023. She also made Shawnee Community College's President's list throughout the length of her training.

OFFICE NOTES:

- Upcoming Board Meeting: September 12, 2023
- 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

Always upbeat and positive, highly motivated, and a strong determination to success, Sydnie knew she has to stay focused in order to reach her goal of becoming a surgical technologist. She was amazed at all she had to learn, but that never lessened her intentions of reaching her goal and being able to assist surgeons in an operating room setting.

The bulk of Sydnie's training was as SICCM (Southern Illinois Collegiate Common Market) in Herrin, with some of her training being at SCC. She also traveled to St. Francis Hospital and Silber Springs Surgery Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri, They Physician's Surgery Center in Carbondale, and the Southern Illinois Orthopedic Center in Herrin for clinicals. She feels like she gained a lot of knowledge and confidence during her experiences at each location.

Cindy Arthur, Sydnie's career planner, spoke with Sydnie earlier this month. She told Cindy everything is going great and that she loves her job with the Physician's Surgery Center in Carbondale. She was asked to join the group of technologists and surgeons a few days after graduating from SCC in May of this year. Sydnie said that being asked to join the group was definitely one of the happiest days of her life!!





CHANGES?

- Have you moved?
- Changed phone number?
- New email?
- Please notify the board office at boffice@sol4lwib.com with any changes
- It is extremely important to let us know because of travel and communication!
 Thanks!!

WADI MONTHLY UPDATE

This month has been a great time of learning for career planners as the Fall Semester is approaching. The career planners have been training and organizing like crazy. They attended Jim Potts WIOA training at SIC in Harrisburg on June 27th and 28th. The quarterly in service done by Southern 14, which included a file review, was done at the central office in Enfield on July 6th and 11th. All career planners as well as Ryan Trueblood attended. Bonnie Glad says she feels as though she is learning new things each day and is eager to put everything into practice as this is her first semester to schedule inquirants for testing and the application process without being in training. Nelda is busy scheduling appointments for the Fall Semster and already has 6 lined up. She has completed one applicationg for Truck Driving in Wayne County as well.

SDC MONTHLY UPDATE

SDC WIOA is continuing services to the students enrolled in the summer semester at Shawnee College. We are also preparing to add eligible participants for the fall semester beginning August 14th. SDC has hired a total of 3 new participants on the 1E Adult Work Experience program. Currently there is one in each of the following counties: Hardin, Pulaski, and Union. We have more potential participants we are working with to get on the program and about 4 worksites to be used for this program. June 11th – 20th, SDC hosted the Innovative Readiness Training (IRT) at Anna–Jonesboro high school in Anna where free medical, dental, and other services were provided by the military free to anyone that attended. WIOA Career Planners attended Jim Pott's training in Harrisburg on June 28th & 29th.

SOUTHERN 14 UPDATES

We have been pre-approved for the QUEST grant that will allow the area to serve 28 individuals (24 with work experience and 4 with short-term certificate program) who have been deemed long term unemployed or never been employed. The total requested was \$253,860 – this includes \$12000 administrative budget for board staff and \$34,900 of programmatic administrative budget for service provider staff as well as, supportive service, work experience wages and classroom training. Pam and Jessica have started visiting each of the 14 county boards at their regularly scheduled meetings. These visits are to update the county CEO's and county boards regarding funding and participant information. July 27th is the Business Services Team (BST) meeting. The team assists in finding solutions to business specific services that may be needed in our area. Each partner will also update the BST regarding any new information that us upcoming for their organization.

COUNTY OVERVIEW

PY22 (July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023)										Active as of 6/30/23			
	Participant's Served	Active as of 6/30/23	Exited as of 6/30/23	Employed at Exit	% Employed at Exit	County % of Participants Served	22-681026 Allocation	County % of Allocation		Youth	Adult	DW	
Alexander County	14	7	7	1	14.3%	6.9%	85,252	7.1%	118,545	1	6	0	7
Edwards County	4	2	2	1	50.0%	2.0%	40,555	3.4%	33,870	1	1	0	2
Gallatin County	11	3	8	5	62.5%	5.4%	40,755	3.4%	93,142	2	1	0	3
Hamilton County	5	1	4	4	100.0%	2.5%	59,999	5.0%	42,337	0	1	0	1
Hardin County	9	4	5	1	20.0%	4.4%	31,398	2.6%	76,207	2	2	0	4
Johnson County	21	10	11	4	36.4%	10.3%	99,730	8.3%	177,817	2	7	1	10
Massac County	15	10	5	1	20.0%	7.4%	104,044	8.7%	127,012	1	5	4	10
Pope County	4	1	3	0	0.0%	2.0%	29,112	2.4%	33,870	0	1	0	1
Pulaski County	32	18	14	3	21.4%	15.7%	73,750	6.2%	270,959	3	9	6	18
Saline County	43	17	26	14	53.8%	21.1%	222,446	18.6%	364,101	11	5	1	17
Union County	18	13	5	3	60.0%	8.8%	137,225	11.5%	152,414	3	7	3	13
Wabash County	8	4	4	2	50.0%	3.9%	75,581	6.3%	67,740	1	3	0	4
Wayne County	12	6	6	5	83.3%	5.9%	104,375	8.7%	101,610	1	4	1	6
White County	8	4	4	3	75.0%	3.9%	92,266	7.7%	67,740	4	0	0	4
	204	100	104	47	45.2%		1,196,489		1,727,364	32	52	16	100



- **News Release**
- June 23, 2023

INFORMATION:

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

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

Labor Market Area	May 2023	May 2022	Over the Year Change			
Carbondale-Marion MSA	4.0 %	4.2 %	-0.2			
Jackson County	4.0 %	4.3 %	-0.3			
Williamson County	4.0 %	4.2 %	-0.2			
Surrounding Counties						
Alexander County	5.2 %	6.0 %	-0.8			
Franklin County	5.0 %	4.9 %	0.1			
Johnson County	5.0 %	5.2 %	-0.2			
Massac County	4.4 %	4.6 %	-0.2			
Perry County	4.8 %	4.9 %	-0.1			
Pulaski County	6.8 %	6.4 %	0.4			
Randolph County	3.6 %	3.5 %	0.1			
Union County	4.4 %	4.7 %	-0.3			
Harrisburg Area						
Gallatin County	5.4 %	4.9 %	0.5			
Hamilton County	3.3 %	3.4 %	-0.1			
Hardin County	4.7 %	4.8 %	-0.1			
Pope County	3.6 %	4.2 %	-0.6			
Saline County	4.6 %	4.9 %	-0.3			
White County	3.9 %	3.8 %	0.1			
Olney - Mt. Carmel Area						
Edwards County	4.9 %	4.5 %	0.4			
Lawrence County	4.6 %	5.5 %	-0.9			
Richland County	3.7 %	3.6 %	0.1			
Wabash County	2.9 %	3.4 %	-0.5			
Wayne County	4.1 %	3.7 %	0.4			
Other Areas						
LWIA 23	3.7 %	3.8 %	-0.1			
LWIA 24	3.8 %	3.8 %	0.0			
LWIA 25	4.3 %	4.4 %	-0.1			
LWIA 26	4.3 %	4.4 %	-0.1			
Southern EDR	4.3 %	4.4 %	-0.1			

Southern Illinois Highlights

Carbondale - Marion Area

The May 2023 unemployment rate was 4.0 percent. This was a decrease of -0.2 percentage point from the May 2022 rate of 4.2 percent. Total nonfarm employment increased by +700 jobs in May 2023 compared to May a year ago. Government payrolls increased over-the-year (+200).

Surrounding Counties

Total nonfarm payrolls increased by +350 jobs in May 2023 compared to a year ago.

Employment gains were posted in Government (+275), Leisure and Hospitality (+100), Manufacturing (+75), Construction (+75), Educational and Health Services (+25), and Natural Resources and Mining (+25).

No change was reported in Financial Activities or Information.

May payrolls posted declines in Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (-175), Professional and Business Services (-50), and Other Services (-25).

Harrisburg Area

Total nonfarm employment increased by +625 jobs in May 2023 compared to May 2022.

Employment gains were posted in Government (+325), Educational and Health Services (+100), Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+75), Information (+75), Natural Resources and Mining (+50) and Construction (+25).

Manufacturing, Other Services, and Financial Activities payrolls were unchanged in May 2023.

Employment declined over-the-year in Professional and Business Services (-50) and Leisure and Hospitality (-25).

Olney - Mt. Carmel Area

Total nonfarm employment increased by +525 jobs in May 2023 compared to May 2022.

Payrolls increased in Government (+350), Educational and Health Services (+75), Other Services (+50), Professional and Business Services (+25), Leisure and Hospitality (+25), Construction (+25), and Information (+25).

Trade, Transportation and Utilities, Manufacturing, and Financial Activities payrolls were unchanged. Payrolls decreased in Natural Resources and Mining (-25).