



**State of Illinois
EMPLOYER TRAINING INVESTMENT
Program Summary**

COMMON NAME: ETIP

LEGAL NAME: Employer Training Investment Program

PROGRAM TYPE: Workforce Training

TYPE OF BENEFITS: Training Grant

DESCRIPTION OF BENEFITS: The Employer Training Investment Program (ETIP) supports Illinois workers' efforts to upgrade their skills in order to remain current in new technologies and business practices, enabling companies to remain competitive, expand into new markets and introduce more efficient technologies into their operations.

ALLOWED USES OF BENEFITS: ETIP grants may reimburse Illinois companies for up to 50 percent of the cost of training their employees.

ELIGIBLE GEOGRAPHIC AREA: Statewide

ELIGIBLE BUSINESS TYPES: Grants may be awarded to individual businesses, intermediary organizations operating multi-company training projects and original equipment manufacturers sponsoring multi-company training projects for employees of their Illinois supplier companies.

BENEFITS ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Illinois companies that are retraining/upgrading the skills of their existing workforce may be eligible for ETIP grants. Grants may be awarded to individual companies, as well as to intermediary organizations offering training to meet the common training needs of multiple companies.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Individual companies undertaking customized on-site training programs may apply for an ETIP grant if they are: expanding the business enterprise in Illinois, expanding into new markets, introducing more efficient technologies/continuous improvement systems, expanding exports from Illinois, and providing additional training to employees who will be threatened with layoff.

Intermediary organizations may apply for grant funds on behalf of the companies participating in the project. This organization conducts or sponsors the employee training programs. The intermediary organization coordinated all grant administrative and training evaluation reporting functions on behalf of the companies in the project. Eligible applications include Illinois-based business and industry associations, institutions of higher education, and large manufacturers for supplier network companies, strategic business partnerships, and labor organizations.

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