

# The Source

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## Stark and Tuscarawas Counties

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## Workforce Funded Training Orientation Sessions Scheduled

### WORKFORCE FUNDED TRAINING ORIENTATION SESSIONS



#### STARK COUNTY

June 13 @ 2:00PM  
June 21 @ 10:00AM



#### TUSCARAWAS COUNTY

June 15 @ 2:00PM

[OMJWORK.COM/TRAINING](https://www.omjwork.com/training)

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# Success Stories

## *Lorenzo Villafane-Frazier and the CCMEP Program*

Lorenzo Villafane-Frazier came to the OhioMeansJobs Center with the help of his mentor at Mentor Stark. He enrolled in the CCMEP Program and began working with case manager, Chelsey Moore.

Lorenzo had several barriers that hindered him from being career-ready including being aged-out of foster care, homelessness, having a learning disability, low income, and much more. The first step Lorenzo took was starting classes at Next Level Employment. These classes met three days a week to help with career awareness, leadership development, financial literacy, and counseling services.

Once he started classes, Lorenzo was able to enroll in Bridges, an Ohio program that helps young adults who left foster care obtain resources for housing, employment, education, and more. Lorenzo was assigned to a Bridges representative, and through them was able to rent his very own room in a house in Stark County.

After taking classes for only 30 days at Next Level Employment, he was recognized as career-ready and was offered an internship at The Art Hub Factory. Though it was not what he expected, this opportunity offered Lorenzo experience working with his interests of art, fashion, drawing, and design. He started at The Art Hub Factory as an Art Intern in March 2023, works 20 hours a week, and earns \$11.75 an hour. Lorenzo has quickly learned key skills such as patience, focus and determination, and working with others. He enjoys using spray paint he's never used before and learning different techniques and tools with sand paper.

Lorenzo stated, "When you start to learn what you want, you do what it takes to make that happen." His case manager Chelsey also shared, "Lorenzo has been an awesome client to work with and watch grow. I get so happy with each milestone he accomplishes. He has really shown **determination and perseverance** throughout his time in our program and I can't wait to help and see what comes next for him."

# Stark Tuscarawas Workforce Development Board and Team NEO Present Preview of “Future of Work” Research and Data

Stark Tuscarawas Workforce Development Board, presented a preview of the “Future of Work” research and data, prepared and presented by Team NEO, at the “Maintaining Competitiveness | The Intersection of Technology & Talent” Event on Friday, May 19th.

With about 80 people in attendance, the event focused on technology advances needed for business success heading into the next five to 10 years.

Panelists also shared their experiences with new industry trends and technology, included: Rebecca Kuzma (facilitator), Jennifer Kessel, Dan Passerini, and Mike Lauber.

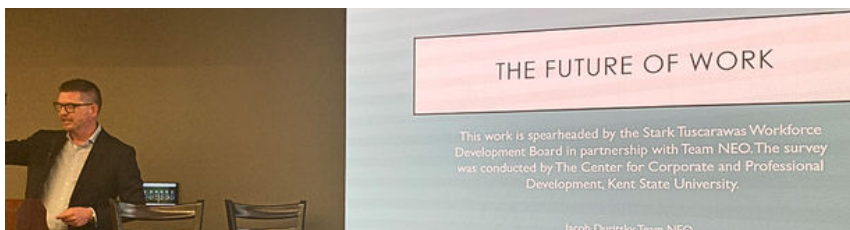
Many partner organizations are to thank in supporting this effort including: Alliance Area Development, Alliance Area Chamber of Commerce, Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce, Massillon WestStark Chamber of Commerce, OhioMeansJobs Stark & Tuscarawas Counties/Business Resource Network, Stark County Human Resource Association, Stark Economic Development Board, Tuscarawas County Chamber of Commerce, Tuscarawas County Economic Development Corporation, Tuscarawas County Convention & Visitors Bureau, Tuscora SHRM, and Visit Canton.



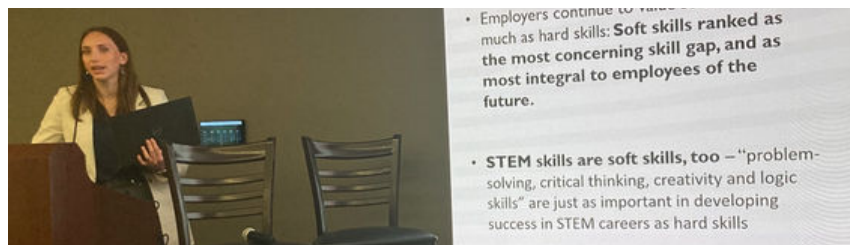
Panelists: Rebecca Kuzma, Jennifer Kessel, Dan Passerini, and Mike Lauber



STWDB Executive Director, JoAnn Breedlove



Jacob Duritsky, Team NEO



Abby Logar, Team NEO

# Ohio Workforce Association “Education and Advocacy Day” a Success



Ohio Workforce Association, a 501c3 non-profit organization, represents all 20 local workforce development boards across Ohio.

The association held its “Education and Advocacy Day” on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, at the statehouse with an opportunity for workforce board directors, board chairs and members, to meet with their state general assembly representatives to share workforce innovations occurring in local districts through workforce board partnerships and OhioMeansJobs center activities. An evening reception capped off the day to bring together workforce system leadership and general assembly representatives and staff.



Representative Scott Oelslager (District 48) and STWDB Director JoAnn Breedlove



OWA's evening reception attendees included (L-R) Rob Guentter, Director, Area 16 Workforce Development Board, Bradford Barger, Assistant Director, ODJFS, Board Member, Workforce Area 16, Matt Damschroder, Director, ODJFS, Laurie McKnight, Director, Area 14 Workforce Development Board



A visit with Senator Al Landis (District 31), Jennifer Meek Eells, OWA Executive Director, JoAnn Breedlove, STWDB Director, and Scott Robinson, STWDB Board Chair



OWA's "Education and Advocacy Day" conversation with Representative Nick Santucci (District 64) and Ohio workforce development board directors

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# In-Demand Jobs Week 2023

In-Demand Jobs Week is the statewide celebration of the jobs, industries, and skills that are in demand in Ohio. Community leaders statewide partner in planning engaging events and activities to inspire excitement and awareness among students and job seekers. This year, In-Demand Jobs Week was held May 1-5.

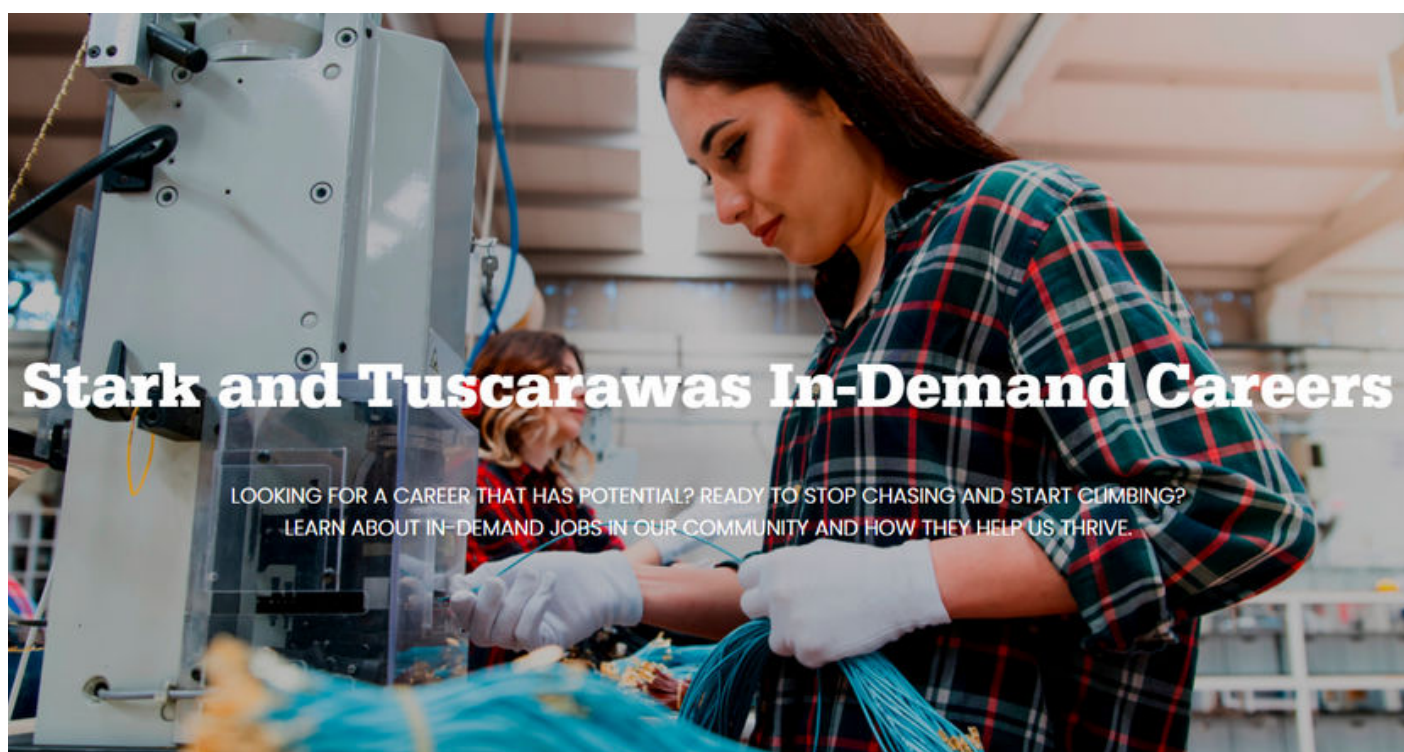
The OhioMeansJobs Stark and Tuscarawas Counties Centers celebrated In-Demand Jobs Week by holding 3 different Career Fairs throughout the week. With the partnership of Strengthening Stark, a separate web page was created, where job seekers, employers, and educators could gain knowledge and access resources surrounding in-demand jobs.

On Monday, May 1st, a Career Fair was held at the OhioMeansJobs Stark Center. Employers who participated include Aultman Healthcare, PCC Airfoils, Daimler Truck North America, Seifert Technology, and Canton City Schools as an education resource.

On Tuesday, May 2nd, a Career Fair was held at the OhioMeansJobs Tuscarawas Center. Employers who participated include Cleveland Clinic Union Hospital, Seifert Associates, Kimble Companies, Novelis, as well as Buckeye Career Center, and Kent State Tuscarawas serving as the educational resources.

On Thursday, May 4th there was a virtual Career Fair held for any of the previously mentioned employers to participate and engage with job seekers virtually.

Throughout the course of the week and the week preceding In-Demand Jobs week, the website landing page saw 532 visits. Many community partners stated that they found the site very helpful.



# Leadership Tuscarawas County

Employment Services Manager at OhioMeansJobs Stark and Tuscarawas Counties, Logan Little, graduated on May 9, 2023 from the 2023 Leadership Tuscarawas County program. Leadership Tuscarawas County was created to, “develop passionate, visionary leaders to strengthen the community.” Individuals interested in participating in the program must complete an application process and be selected to participate.

Once selected, participants work together in a ten-month program that includes team building techniques, problem-solving, economic development and culminating the in the development of community projects to address potential needs and issues in the community.

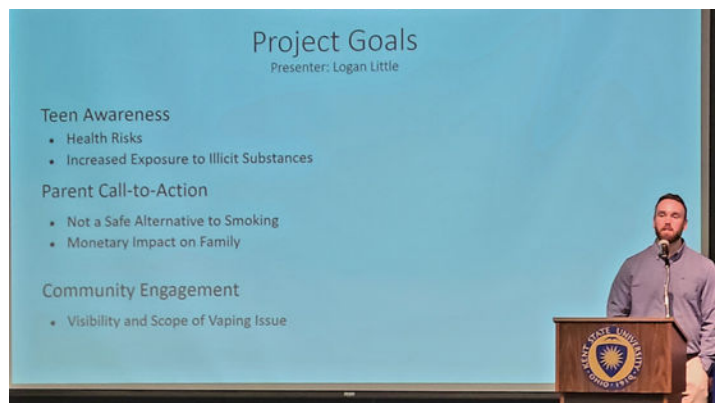
Little’s team’s program, “Dude, Save Your Lungs,” focused on youth anti-vaping and was done in conjunction with a leadership group of Newcomerstown High School students. The goals of the program included raising teen awareness of the health risks of vaping, encouraging parental awareness of the monetary impact of vaping and engage the community of the visibility and scope of the vaping issue. A community event was held and an art contest for three additional schools around anti-vaping occurred.

Three other teams also presented their projects at the graduation which was held at Founders Hall at Kent State Tuscarawas. The event was attended by community members, family members, and the upcoming class of Leadership Tuscarawas. It was also the 20th anniversary of the first Leadership Tuscarawas class and several of those graduates were in attendance as well.

Congratulations to Logan on his achievement!



Logan Little and family



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# Buckeye Career Center Adult Education Open House

The summer season has arrived. What are your plans for the next few months? What about the next year or beyond? Buckeye Career Center (BCC) would love to be a part of your summer excitement! We are actively enrolling for our Adult Education courses for the 2023-24 school year, with most courses lasting under nine months, and short-term classes lasting a few weeks or months.

We have student openings in Cosmetology, Dental Assisting, HVAC-R, Heavy Equipment/CDL A Operator, Medical Assisting, Medical Office Support, Law Enforcement Training Academy, Utility Lineworker, and Welding Technology. Students who successfully complete a program, are eligible to obtain several industry-recognized credentials and a career-technical passport. Those enrolled in the free, Adult Diploma Program (ADP) can also earn a high school diploma, if applicable.

An Adult Education Open House will be held June 6, 2023, from 4:30-6:30 pm. The \$50 full-time program application fee will be waived for anyone who attends the event.

BCC is also seeking to hire additional Adult Education instructors in the fields of Cosmetology, HVAC-R, Heavy Equipment, Medical Assisting, and Medical Office Support. Hours and work days vary based on the schedule of the specific program.

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For more information on programs or employment opportunities, please call the Buckeye Career Center Adult Education office at 330-339-2288 or stop by 545 University, Dr. NE., New Philadelphia.



*To serve the community by empowering people, of all ages, to discover their passion and prepare for their future through career and technical education.*

# Hiring Events Held at OhioMeansJobs Stark and Tuscarawas Counties



## TWO JOB RECRUITMENTS !

**June 5th, 2023 1pm to 3pm**

**@ OhioMeansJobs Center-Stark Co.**

822 30th Street NW, Canton, OH 44709

**June 7th, 2023 1pm to 3pm**

**@ OhioMeansJobs Center-Tuscarawas Co.**

1260 Monroe Street, Suite 35Q, New Philadelphia, OH 44663

**BOTH FULL-TIME & PART-TIME POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

**COMPANY WILL TRAIN!**

Openings for: Commercial Cleaners, Lead Associate Cleaners and Carpet Cleaning Techs

Worksite locations include Canton, Massillon and Dover Areas

**ON-SITE INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED ON THE SPOT!**

**SPEAK DIRECTLY WITH THEIR HR TEAM!**



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# Find OhioMeansJobs at Events in the Community

## OhioMeansJobs at the Library

Monday, June 5th from 10:00AM-12:00PM

Dover Public Library (525 N. Walnut St. Dover, OH 44622)

[Find OhioMeansJobs Center staff at the library to assist with your job search needs!](#)

## OhioMeansJobs at the Library

Wednesday, June 7th from 1:30PM-3:30PM

Bolivar Public Library (455 Water St. SW, Bolivar, OH 44612)

[Find OhioMeansJobs Center staff at the library to assist with your job search needs!](#)

## OhioMeansJobs at the Library

Wednesday, June 14th from 1:30PM-3:30PM

Tuscarawas County Public Library (121 Fair Ave. NW, New Philadelphia, OH 44663)

[Find OhioMeansJobs Center staff at the library to assist with your job search needs!](#)

## OhioMeansJobs at the Library

Tuesday, June 20th from 2:30PM-4:30PM

Dover Public Library (525 N. Walnut St. Dover, OH 44622)

[Find OhioMeansJobs Center staff at the library to assist with your job search needs!](#)

## OhioMeansJobs at the Library

Wednesday, June 28th from 1:30PM-3:30PM

Sugarcreek Public Library (120 S. Broadway St. Sugarcreek, OH 44681)

[Find OhioMeansJobs Center staff at the library to assist with your job search needs!](#)

# Ohio Unemployment Update

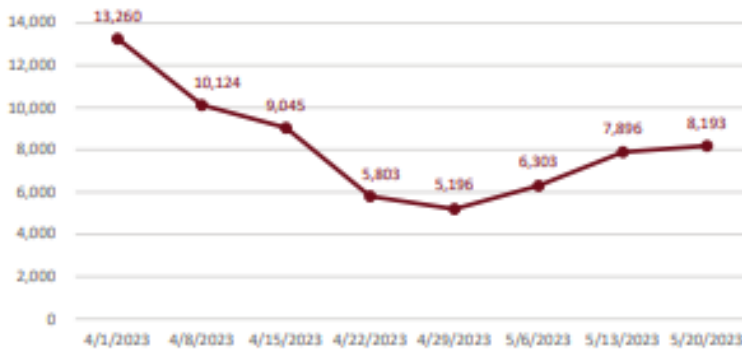


Department of  
Job and Family Services

Ohio Jobless Claims, May 14 - May 20

April  
Unemployment Rate  
Ohio 3.7%  
U.S. 3.4%

Initial Claims



Initial Jobless Claims

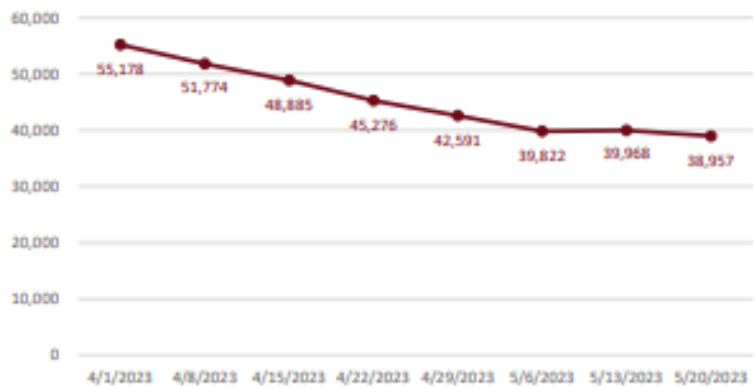
**8,193**  
Traditional Unemployment

8-Week Average: **8,228** Initial Claims

Continued Jobless Claims

**38,957**  
Traditional Unemployment

Continued Claims



8-Week Average: **45,306** Continued Claims

**47,150**  
Total Claims

April Labor Force Participation Rate

Ohio **61.8%**  
U.S. **62.6%**

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# Tech Tips with Carolyn Varlamos

This month's Tech Tips look at how to adjust cell spacing for a table in Microsoft Word and seven things you didn't know you could do in PowerPoint. The tips have been found by OhioMeansJobs tech guru Carolyn Varlamos with the help of the HowtoGeek.com and techrepublic.com websites.

## How to Adjust Cell Spacing for a Table in Microsoft Word

By Sandy Writtenhouse, How-to Geek

If you want more spacing around the cells of your table, Microsoft Word can accommodate you. Because the setting is a bit hidden, we'll show you where to find it and how to adjust the cell spacing for your table.

Although tables are wonderful tools for structuring data, they can also become packed and hard on the eyes. By adding spacing around the cells, you can make your data easier to read or simply give your table a unique appearance.

<https://www.howtogeek.com/810368/cell-spacing-in-word/>

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## Seven Things You Didn't Know You Could Do in PowerPoint

By Sandy Writtenhouse, How-to Geek

Some features in Microsoft PowerPoint stand out like creating animations, adding slide transitions, and inserting charts, shapes, and 3D models. But then there are those features that are a bit hidden. Whether you want to improve your slides as you build them or enhance your presentation of the slideshow, check out these things you may not realize you can do in PowerPoint.

<https://www.howtogeek.com/808441/things-you-didnt-know-you-could-do-in-powerpoint/>



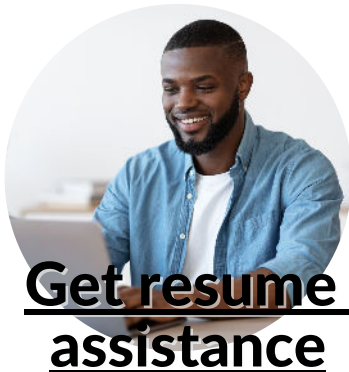
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