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National Disability Employment Awareness Month

Individuals with disabilities can visit their local OhioMeansJobs Center or OhioMeansJobs.com for free employment services

COLUMBUS, OHIO – During National Disability Employment Awareness Month, Ohio Department of Job and Family Services Director Matt Damschroder reminds Ohioans with disabilities that they can take advantage of many free employment services at the state’s OhioMeansJobs Centers and [OhioMeansAccessibility.com](https://www.ohioMeansJobs.com).

“OhioMeansJobs Centers provide invaluable assistance to all job seekers, including individuals with disabilities,” Damschroder said. “Not only can individuals find services like career planning and training, these centers place an emphasis on accessibility such as through offering larger, more accessible computer work stations, adaptive equipment for computers and phones, sign language interpretation, and more. Individuals can contact their local OhioMeansJobs Center to learn what types of assistance and equipment are available.”

In addition, OhioMeansJobs Centers partner with Opportunities for Ohioans with Disabilities ([OOD](https://www.ood.ohio.gov)), the state agency that helps Ohioans with disabilities receive individualized support to find a job and build a successful career.

"OhioMeansJobs Centers and OOD are committed to enhancing employment opportunities for all Ohioans, including individuals with disabilities," said Kevin L. Miller, OOD Director. "By providing personalized services and fostering partnerships with employers, we aim to help individuals navigate barriers to employment and achieve their career goals."

Every county in Ohio has an OhioMeansJobs Center. The centers offer free career planning, job training, and other employment services to Ohioans looking for work and to employers seeking workers. Individuals can use the public computers and phones at the centers to complete online



training, prepare resumes, and search and apply for jobs. To find an OhioMeansJobs Center near you, visit [OhioMeansJobs.com](https://ohiojobs.com) or [OhioMeansAccessibility.com](https://ohiojobs.com/ohio-means-accessibility) and click on “FIND A JOB CENTER” at the bottom of the page – or call 1-888-296-7541.

ODJFS also oversees [OhioMeansAccessibility.com](https://ohiojobs.com/ohio-means-accessibility), which is part of [OhioMeansJobs.com](https://ohiojobs.com). It offers many of the same services that are available at local OhioMeansJobs Centers. If they choose, job seekers who post their resumes at [OhioMeansAccessibility.com](https://ohiojobs.com/ohio-means-accessibility) can give their permission to be referred to employers specifically looking to hire individuals with disabilities. The website also has information about financial security and independence, overcoming barriers to work, benefits and job accommodations, and more.

At both [OhioMeansAccessibility.com](https://ohiojobs.com/ohio-means-accessibility) and [OhioMeansJobs.com](https://ohiojobs.com), job seekers can search more than 100,000 job openings and access many other features. These include a resume builder and rater, a budget calculator, skill and interest assessments, online tutorials, free GED and college entrance practice tests, and special sections for veterans, students, unemployment claimants, and workers with disabilities.

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The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services manages vital programs that strengthen Ohio families.

These include job training and employment services, unemployment insurance, cash and food assistance, adult protective services, and child support services.

