



WHEREAS, over the past year, Ohio has seen record employment in the private sector and has had more jobs than ever before in multiple industries; and

WHEREAS, Ohio is committed to ensuring that every Ohioan has the tools to live up to their full potential and also has opportunities to live the American dream, no matter their age, background or ability; and

WHEREAS, WorkOhio was launched in January 2026 at WorkOhio.Gov to assist Ohioans by allowing them to easily access personalized guidance, career resources, education and training opportunities, and in-demand jobs; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services oversees a variety of programs and services to help employers build their workforces and help Ohioans find jobs and launch, build, or change careers; and

WHEREAS, free employment services are available for employers and job seekers at OhioMeansJobs.com and the state's local OhioMeansJobs Centers, found in every one of Ohio's 88 counties; and

WHEREAS, more than 61,000 Ohioans received one-on-one help with job searches at the state's OhioMeansJobs Centers during state fiscal year 2026; and

WHEREAS, whether in person or online, Ohioans can find and apply for job openings, complete skill and career interest assessments, create or enhance their resumes, and practice interviewing; and

WHEREAS, employers can contact local OhioMeansJobs Centers or use OhioMeansJobs.com for help with employment needs, including posting job openings; finding skilled candidates; establishing an apprenticeship or internship program; connecting with educators and job-training programs; applying for training programs, hiring incentives, and tax credits; organizing job fairs or mass recruitment events; researching wage trends and economic indicators; and learning about accommodating employees with disabilities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, we, *Mike DeWine and Jim Tressel*, Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby recognize September 2026 as,

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MONTH

on this 1st day of September 2026;

Mike DeWine
Governor



Jim Tressel
Lieutenant Governor