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The Towanda Career Day connected more than 30 local employers with more than 450 students from across the region. NTRPDC BEP career coaches have organized multiple career days to build the future workforce, helping students learn about future employment opportunities and develop career interests.

The NTRPDC BEP has served more than 1,500 students in 16 schools during the 2016 school year at career fairs, presentations, events, one-on-one counseling, or in small group settings.
Twenty-one healthcare employees were trained in “Improving Healthcare through Supervisory Development,” one of several trainings offered through the HIP in 2016. This human resources-focused training was attended by employees of Guthrie, Endless Mountains Health Systems, and Martha Lloyd Community Services.

The HIP represents the Workforce Areas of the Northern Tier, Lackawanna, Luzerne/Schuylkill, and the Poconos. Sixty health care employers participate in the partnership, including every major health care facility in the Northern Tier.
Susquehanna Depot Borough was awarded $250,000 from the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) to complete a $1,363,167 brownfield redevelopment project and construct a community park and playground in the borough.

NTRPDC assisted 11 projects in 2016 in pursuing grant funds. These communities were awarded $797,377 to assist in completing $2,386,239 worth of valuable community and economic development projects.
Penn Troy Manufacturing, Inc., received assistance to exhibit at the leading international maritime trade fair (SMM Trade Show in Germany) and also participated in a supply chain catalog at the Australasian Oil and Gas Show, increasing their connections with distributors internationally.

In 2016, the Export Program worked with businesses that exported $29 million worth of goods and services to countries around the world, including China, Mexico, Canada, Egypt, and India.
Superior Landscape Management was awarded its first government contract by the Pennsylvania State Police for lawn maintenance services at the Tunkhannock Police Barracks. The business has been in operation for more than 20 years. With assistance from the Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC) they have been able to grow and find new markets.

In 2016, the PTAC assisted Northern Tier businesses in obtaining $12,998,654 in contract awards from the state and federal government.
Forty-eight youth participated in the Summer Youth program, obtaining real work experience and classroom instruction on workplace expectations and responsibilities. These youth took career exploration field trips to area businesses and completed paid work opportunities at the 16 participating employers (public and private sector entities, for-profit companies, and non-profit organizations).

This program has been a longstanding example of coordination and partnership between the Northern Tier Workforce Development Board and area employers.
The 2017-2020 Northern Tier Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) listed more than $205 million in transportation projects for the next four years. Projects include intersection improvements at US 6/PA 14 in Troy; resurfacing US 220 in Laporte, restoring PA 706 in Rush Township, resurfacing US 6 near Gaines, and SR 29 slide restoration in Noxen.
NTRPDC provided 17 training opportunities and two equipment shows to municipalities in 2016.

- 206 individuals were trained in transportation infrastructure management issues through LTAP.
- 75 municipal employees attended the Municipal Summit.
- 45 municipal employees were trained on QuickBooks accounting software.
- 465 individuals and 86 vendors attended the two equipment shows in 2016.
NT PREP partners collaborated to assist RSJ Technologies, a production machining company in Canton, with its expansion and growth. A loan from The Progress Authority, technical assistance from the Northeast PA Industrial Resource Center and the NTRPDC Procurement Program, and workforce recruitment and training services combined to make a difference for this company’s bottom line.

PREP is Pennsylvania’s statewide network of economic development service providers working together to deliver vital business assistance services across the commonwealth. NTRPDC serves as the PREP Regional Coordinator for our region.
NTRPDC closed a $100,000 loan to Troy Veterinary Clinic to assist in renovations to their existing building. Part of a $500,000 project, these improvements have created one part time position and retained 21 jobs.

In 2016, NTRPDC closed loans to 17 businesses totaling $1,680,365, resulting in the creation and retention of 378 jobs and leveraging of $4,188,593 in additional capital. The ability to assist businesses with their financial needs remains a hallmark of our business assistance programs.
A Reentry Employment Specialist (RES) training took place for service professionals to support ex-offenders who are building employment skills. This is leading to the development of a reengagement program.

Also in 2016 PA CareerLink® began to implement mobile service to better reach customers. Assistance includes basic career services, initial assessments, resume assistance, and referrals.

In 2016, more than 11,000 jobseekers visited PA CareerLink® in the region, with services provided to more than 1,300 local employers.
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