



# **NIEHS WETP ARRA Supported Accomplishments**

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# NIEHS WETP and ARRA

- NIEHS WETP received \$6,784,076
- NIEHS WETP ARRA funds supported:
  - Health and safety training
  - Hazardous waste and remediation industries and green jobs
  - Job retention and creation



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# NIEHS and ARRA

Awardee	Amount received
Midwest Consortium	\$620,494
LIUNA	\$800,000
New Jersey/New York Hazardous Materials Worker Training Center	\$400,000
OAI, Inc	\$482,000
International Union of Operating Engineers	\$441,000
Center for Construction Research and Training (CPWR)	\$615,000
International Brotherhood of Teamsters	\$628,000
SEIU Education and Training Fund	\$265,136
The New England Consortium	\$373,270
Dillard University	\$400,000
International Chemical Workers Union	\$403,044
Western Region Universities Consortium	\$425,000
United Steel Workers	\$720,250
Information In Place	\$46,716
MetaMedia Training International, Inc	\$46, 737
BandeMar Networks	\$117,429
<b>Total Amount Funded</b>	<b>\$6,784,076</b>



# ARRA Report

- **Objective:** Document activities of the awardees who received Recovery Act funds and highlight successes and achievements
- **Methodology:** structured interviews with awardees and awardee partners

# Major Themes and Accomplishments

- Over 13,300 (?) workers trained
- Over 20 locations across the U.S.
- Populations trained included underemployed, unemployed, recently laid-off workers, under-skilled workers



ICWU, Chicago

# Major Themes and Accomplishments (cont.)

OAI, inc.

- Job placement rate varied
- Work in construction, demolition, hazardous waste cleanup, weatherization, alternative energy development



# Major Themes and Accomplishments (cont.)



Midwest Consortium

- Courses taught include:
  - OSHA 10-hour and 30 hour, HAZWOPER, Lead, Asbestos, and Mold Awareness and Abatement, Forklift Safety Course, CPR, First Aid, Life Skills, Weatherization, “Green Construction”, etc.



# Major Themes and Accomplishments (cont.)

- Partners have described ARRA funds as:
  - “crucial to individuals living in inner cities”
  - “provided needed opportunities to underserved populations”
  - “provided trainees with self-confidence and empowerment”
  - “Successes [of graduates] would not have happened without the Recovery Act”



# Major Themes and Accomplishments (cont.)

- Employers have said of ARRA graduates:
  - “Graduates came to us with great skills and responsibilities, and work ethics.”
  - Employers are pleased that the graduates are “knowledgeable individuals who know about the environmental industry, and are impressed with the individual’s work ethics”
  - “The training that the MWTP students received enables them to work scheduled track shows at the New Orleans Convention Center.”



# Lessons Learned

- Job Placement
  - ARRA funds were distributed at different times to states and locals
  - However, those who partnered with community-based organizations and other organizations, had better time placing graduates
- Lack of Sustainability



**Thank you!**