



## NO WORKER LEFT BEHIND



Friends:

No Worker Left Behind is up and running! Here's the latest news on happenings around the state since Governor Granholm launched the program on August 1.

### **Caraco Pharmaceuticals to Stay – And GROW – in Motown!**

Caraco Pharmaceuticals Ltd. was a homegrown Detroit business with a great problem. The maker of generic medicines needed space to grow – and help to make sure it could find and train the workforce it needs to maintain and hone its world class standards. Would they be able to do it here in Michigan, or would they move to another state, several of which were offering millions of dollars in training funds?

Enter a new partnership between DLEG's No Worker Left Behind crew and the Michigan Economic Development Corporation initiated by Governor Granholm. Through an intensive series of meetings and discussions with the company, we developed partnerships with Wayne State University (to recruit and train chemists) and Henry Ford Community College (to recruit and train production workers). In the end, company CEO Daniel Movens said the comprehensive training package Michigan put together was crucial to the company's decision to stay in Detroit, build a new facility and add hundreds of good jobs for Detroiters.

You can read the front page Free Press story about how No Worker Left Behind is helping Caraco Pharmaceutical Laboratories Ltd. create several hundred new jobs at <http://www.freep.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20070814/COL06/708140406/1081>.

### **Governor Granholm and Lt. Governor Cherry hold press conferences on No Worker Left Behind**

- On August 13th, Governor Granholm held a press conference at Kalamazoo Valley Community College focusing on the No Worker Left Behind initiative. Attending the press conference were employers, as well as job seekers, who emphasized how No Worker Left Behind will enable them to locate skilled employees and/or obtain a good paying career in Michigan, and representatives of area community colleges and the local Michigan Works! Agency. Governor Granholm once again emphasized the importance of providing a helping hand to Michigan's employers and our dislocated workers, and how partnerships between the various groups in the region are critical in making this initiative a success.
- On August 15th, Lt. Governor Cherry conducted a similar press conference at Bay de Noc Community College in Escanaba. Lt. Governor Cherry said the program is especially important to the Upper Peninsula, already regarded as "a great place to live." By upgrading the workforce, the region will be better able to attract new investments, he said. To access local media articles regarding this event, go to <http://www.ironmountaindailynews.com/stories/articles.asp?articleID=7314> or <http://www.dailypress.net/stories/articles.asp?articleID=12893>.

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To view a short web cast of the press conference go to <http://www.wluctv6.com/Global/Link.asp?L=260958>.

### **What to do if you're having trouble signing up for No Worker Left Behind**

The starting point for No Worker Left Behind is the local Michigan Works! Agency (MWA). You can find your local agency or service center by visiting <http://www.michiganworks.org/page.cfm/14>. There's been tremendous response from job seekers around the state who are interested in signing up for this free tuition program. Michigan Works! Agencies have been busy working with individuals, explaining the program, determining eligibility, and identifying course offerings at community colleges and other training resources. As an additional resource, Michiganders who still have questions or concerns or are unsure what to do may contact the DLEG No Worker Left Behind Action Team by e-mailing [nwlb@michigan.gov](mailto:nwlb@michigan.gov) or calling (517) 335-1319. Don't be shy!

### **Additional Funding Resources Now Available**

#### **Training dollars announced through the U.S. Department of Labor Employment and Training Administration (USDOL ETA)**

USDOL ETA announced the availability of \$125 million in community-based job training grants to be awarded through a competitive process to support workforce training for high growth/high demand industries. Funds will be awarded to individual community or technical colleges, community college districts, a state community college, or One-Stop career centers to support or engage in a combination of capacity building and training activities. Individual grant awards are anticipated to range from \$500,000 to \$2 million. Applications are due October 10, 2007.

For more information visit:

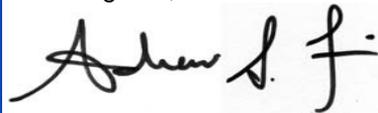
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#### **AARP Foundation announces scholarship program**

AARP Foundation announced a scholarship program for women over 40 who can demonstrate financial need. Scholarships will range from \$500 to \$5,000, depending on financial need and the cost of the education or training program. Applications are available beginning August 31, 2007 and are due October 31, 2007. For more information visit [www.aarp.org/womensscholarship](http://www.aarp.org/womensscholarship).

Stay tuned for the latest updates on Michigan's workforce programs!

Best Regards,



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