

## **Extended Employment Sheltered Workshop Program**

**August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

### ***COVID-19***

We now have had 35 shops (3 on their second round) with 89 confirmed cases of active working employees, 73 (33 still out) certified employees, and 16 (8 still out) staff members (including senior management staff). At present we have five (5) hospitalized with one (1) just coming of the ventilator. Unfortunately we have now had our second (2) death.

One bad trend we are starting to see is that out of the last three shops with confirmed cases, we are seeing a higher number of cases. In the first 30 incidents, certified case numbers were one or two at the most but recently it has been 7 to 15 confirmed cases on initial testing. DHSS and some LPHAs (Local Public Health Agencies) are now starting to have trouble with the box-in strategy and contact tracing. They need our help. This is a compliance issue and an OSHA-CDC requirement to be able to provide information about who these employees have had close and extend contact with in the workplace.

### ***New Directors, Managers and CEOs***

Oregon County Sheltered Workshop, Alton, Missouri has gone with a tri-management team:

Darrell Strain - [jdsocsw@centurytel.net](mailto:jdsocsw@centurytel.net) is the CFO

Stephen Colley - [ocsw@centurytel.net](mailto:ocsw@centurytel.net) will handle the retail and out –reach operations

Joe Wheeler – will handle the operations and off-site work crews

### ***Openings for Directors, Managers and CEOs***

Boone Center Inc., St Peters

### ***WIOA***

Three hundred and three (303) employees shown as working on the DESE system did not receive the required WIOA training. Two hundred and sixty-four (264) have shown no work or training hours since March. These employees are no longer eligible to receive commensurate wages due to not receiving the counseling/training. Therefore, they are being removed from working status on the DESE system. The other thirty-nine (39) will be confirmed over the next few weeks (it is believed they are earning above \$7.25 per hour and did not require the counseling's).

The removal of these employees, along with the employees that are known to not be returning, will drop the “working status” of employees below five thousand (5000) for the first time since March of 1978 or in retrospect, before the passage of Senate Bill 40.

## Status of EESW

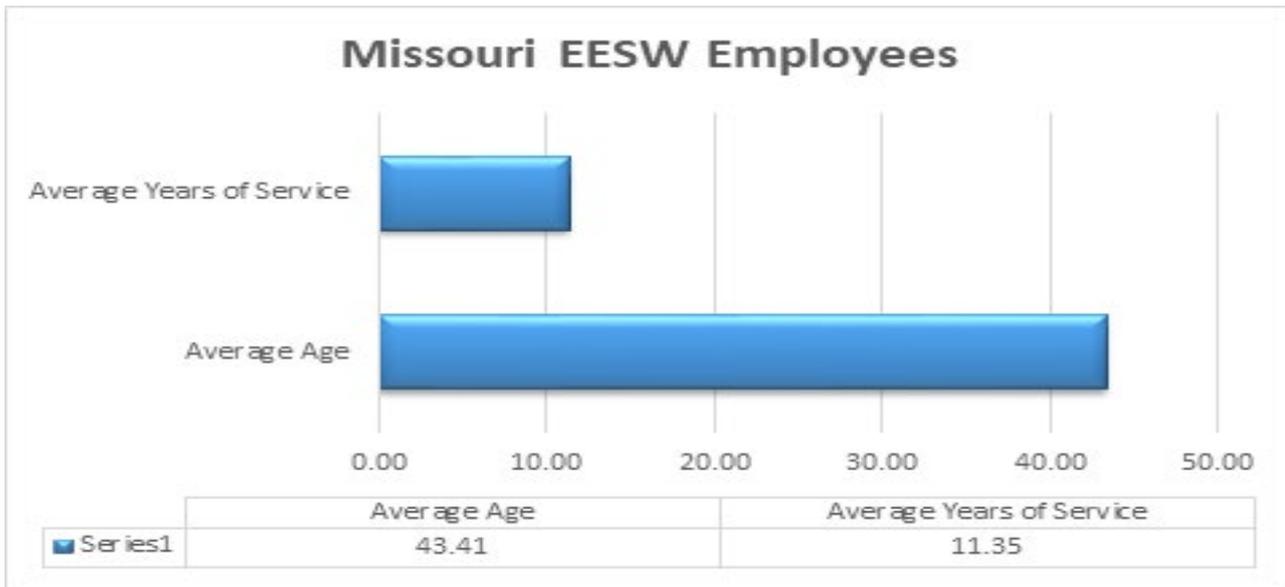
- 84 of the 86 workshop corporations are open with the last two (2) due to come back on line in August.

### DESE-EESW Snapshot

	Employees	Hrs. Worked	Wages Pd.	Avg. Wage	Waiting TBH
<b>FY 20</b>	5467 (-377)	5,929,111	\$27,396,396	\$4.62	369
<b>FY19</b>	5844	7,491,325	\$32,846,447	\$4.38	328

Jul-20	Employees	Hrs. Worked	Wages Pd.	Avg. Wage	Waiting TBH
Current	4598 (-1,197)	427,215	\$2,139,038	\$6.01	373
Past Year	5795	484,680	\$2,033,282	\$4.20	346

August	Employees	Hrs. Worked	Wages Pd.	Avg. Wage	Waiting TBH
Current	4825 (-962)	327,398	\$2,432,354	\$7.43	374
Last (Aug) Year	5787	588,381	\$2,602,658	\$4.43	346
<b>YTD</b>	<b>4712 (-779)</b>	<b>754,613</b>	<b>\$4,571,392</b>	<b>\$6.42</b>	<b>373</b>
Past YTD	5491	1,073,061	\$4,635,940	\$4.32	338



## Grant

***Just a reminder the Grant applications are due at the close of business August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020.***

### ***More FAQ:***

- *Do we have to have made the expenditures before we ask for them on the application—computer, big screen, printer-scanner, etc.? **On the computers and other Technology. No you have till Dec 31, 2020 to spend the \$2500. But it must be requested in this round...***
- *On training expenses, can we lump the weeks together but itemize the different expenses? Example—can I put date of April 1 through July 31, copying costs on one line, and postage on one line, staff on one line, or do I have to do each thing for every week (we sent out training info every Friday)? **Yes, you may lump each distinct item together like you suggest postage total on one line copy total on the other etc.***
- *Can we only apply for training and PPE expenses through July 31? **You may apply for PPE cost either expended/paid for or on order to the date you actually file. Even if that date is Aug 27<sup>th</sup> the day before the grant is due.***
- *We brought in temporary workers to help with production (contract workers). Can we include this cost in our submission? **Sorry NO they (hours) would have not be eligible for State Aid under normal operations therefore are not covered under the CARE's grant monies for a EESW.***
- *To be honest we have bought enough PPE to last the whole year at the present rate of usage. Can or should we submit the whole thing or split it up? **If you have auditable invoice(s) for your purchases and they have been made please submit all of them.***
- *It says to submit single item invoices over \$5000 with the application. My question, is that a combination or truly one item? **It is one single item or contracted project.***

Example: three sinks were installed around the shop to promote hand washing and social distancing the contract for these three sinks \$6250. You would submit that contract and invoice for reimbursement.

Example 2: three sinks were installed around the shop but done by our maintenance. Each sink cost \$283 including the faucets we spent another \$300 on piping, materials, etc. It took her two weeks to install. How do we bill? That would fall under line item not invoiced need to be submitted.

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