

Northern Middle Tennessee Workforce Development Board AJC Report

For October 1 to December 31, 2020

Report Date: February 10, 2021

Local Area Updates

Near the end of October, the Northern Middle Tennessee Workforce Board announced a new initiative for every American Job Center (AJC) across our thirteen-county area. New Skills November was launched as a free short-term training; with funding that would be available through the Tennessee Community CARES grant.

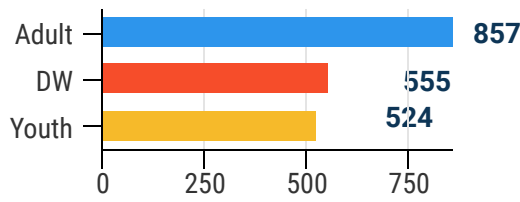
The board established a partnership with Training Providers; Vol State, Nashville State, the Nashville Technology Council, Tennessee Center for Applied Technology, Lockhart Trucking Academy and Austin Peay State University to offer short-term courses in Basic Computer Training, Construction, CNA training, CDL Truck Driving and more.

Beginning in late October, a weekly e-mail blast was sent to a list of new Unemployment Insurance claimants describing the program and how to enroll. New Skills November gave our AJCs a powerful tool to help those that have lost their jobs over the last several months, a path to find re-employment through attaining a new skill.



Partner Program Updates

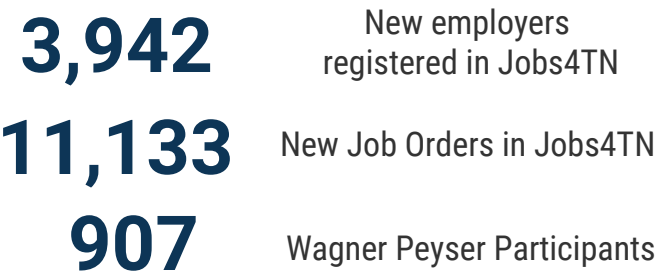
Title I Active Cases



Adult Education

A total of 110 students received their HiSETs with an average of 429 students enrolled in classes! This quarter, 76 students received a level gain.

Wagner Peyser

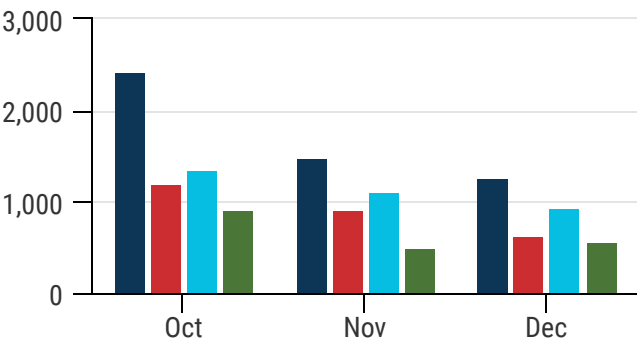


Vocational Rehabilitation



AJC Total Traffic Counts

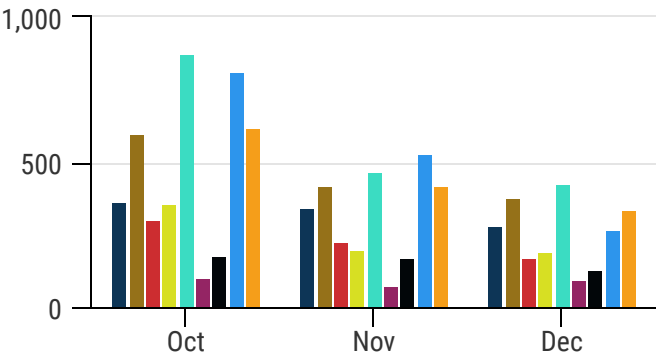
Comprehensives



Navy - Davidson
Red - Montgomery
Med. Blue - Rutherford
Green - Sumner

Total Individual Visitors 24,478

Affiliates



Navy - Cheatham
Gold - Dickson
Red - Houston
Yellow - Humphreys
Teal - Robertson
Purple - Stewart
Black - Trousdale
Med. Blue - Williamson
Orange - Wilson

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Unemployment Rates by County as of December 31, 2020; NM = 4.3% State = 6.4%

County	Unemployment Rate (September)	Unemployment Rate (December)
Cheatham	(4.6%)	3.8%
Davidson	(7.5%)	4.7%
Dickson	(4.4%)	3.8%
Houston	(6.0%)	6.2%
Humphreys	(4.6%)	4.4%
Montgomery	(6.2%)	5.3%
Robertson	(4.8%)	3.9%
Rutherford	(5.4%)	3.9%
Stewart	(4.5%)	5.2%
Sumner	(5.3%)	4.1%
Trousdale	(5.2%)	4.2%
Williamson	(3.6%)	3.3%
Wilson	(5.3%)	3.8%

Eleven of our thirteen counties in Northern Middle continued to drop in unemployment during the past quarter. The most recent data from Dec 31 showed that some counties had a significant drop in unemployment, since the data that was released at the end of September. The state, meanwhile, rose from 6.3% to 6.4% in that same period. Only Houston and Stewart counties showed a very slight increase in unemployment during this time.

The largest drop in unemployment occurred in Davidson County, which had the highest unemployment rate in Northern Middle at the end of September, at 7.5%. By the end of December, unemployment in Davidson County had dropped to 4.7%. To take that even further, the unemployment rate in Davidson County stood at 12.1% at the end of June.

Welcome EDSI Solutions and MAC

Last fall, the Northern Middle board released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure new contracts for the One-Stop Operator, Adult and Dislocated Career Service Provider(s) and Youth Service Provider(s). The announcement was made in early November that Mid-Cumberland Human Resource Agency would retain the One-Stop Operator contract. EDSI Solutions will provide career services for Adult and Dislocated Workers in all thirteen counties, while providing Youth services in twelve of our thirteen counties. Metro Action Commission (MAC) will provide Youth services in Davidson County. Welcome to our newest partners!



Metropolitan Action Commission



Key Performance Indicators (KPI)

Beginning January 1, 2020; the Statewide Workforce Development Board (SWDB) established Key Performance Indicators for each major program under WIOA. Targets were reviewed with each Local Area in February. All AJC partners are to be included in the KPIs for 2020, including Title I, Adult Ed, Wagner-Peyser, Voc-Rehab, TANF, SCSEP & NCOA, RESEA, TAA, SNAP E&T among others. The Northern Middle Title I targets for 2020 are listed below, along with the actual data from Calendar Year 2020. Performance obviously suffered greatly when the AJCs were shut down and were not fully operational until almost mid-June. Now that they are fully operational again, performance has improved significantly.

	Calendar Year	Northern Middle Target	Actual
Adult and Dislocated Worker	Q1 2020	507	238
	Q2 2020	338	165
	Q3 2020	507	455
	Q4 2020	339	171
	2020	1,691	1029
Youth	Q1 2020	185	92
	Q2 2020	123	67
	Q3 2020	185	144
	Q4 2020	123	80
	2020	616	383