

Okanogan Year-End Performance Report July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

Drive On!

Mark came to WorkSource in November of 2019 looking to explore new career opportunities. Mark and his wife were both school bus drivers for many years. The school district where they worked was cutting back hours and Mark was no longer bringing in the income needed to support his family. He was apprehensive of starting a new career at the age of 57; at a time when he should have been preparing for retirement. But, he had hopes of finding a new career that would give him a higher wage so that his wife would be able to continue working for the school district doing what she loves.

Mark wanted to stay in the transportation field. WorkSource Okanogan staff members helped Mark explore options for commercial drivers' training schools and he found one that he thought was perfect. He began the process of applying for the school and was excited to start his new journey. With support and guidance from the WorkSource staff, he completed his application to Drive509 Truck Driving School and for workforce investment scholarship funds.

The COVID-19 pandemic hit in March, delaying Mark's progress. The school district shifted to online classes instead of in person, thus eliminating his already reduced hours. Now, more than ever, Mark was determined to overcome this obstacle and began his Commercial Drivers' License training with Drive509 in Spokane. As an already experienced large vehicle driver, Mark excelled throughout the course.

After completion he obtained his Class A CDL and Hazmat certification. He was quickly offered a position as a delivery driver for AmeriStar Meats located in Spokane. AmeriStar delivers meat products throughout the Northwest as well as across the country, and relies on its commercial truck drivers to deliver its product on time in excellent condition. Mark reports he loves what he is doing and is happy to be making a good living wage, and expresses his gratitude for the support that

WorkSource Okanogan provided.

The road to success is often full of obstacles for career seekers like Mark. But with the correct attitude, a strong support system, and timely assistance from WorkSource Okanogan, he was able to "drive on" to his objective.

Congratulations to Mark and AmeriStar!



Registration & Exit	Ok YTD Actual	Annual Goal						
Total Served	334	393						
Adults								
Registered	49	65						
Placement Rate (% employed at exit)	74%	70%						
Credential Rate (% trained in voc ed who earn a credential)	70%	63%						
Dislocated Workers (Regular & Discretionary)								
Registered	53	88						
Placement Rate (% employed at exit)	79%	87%						
Credential Rate (% trained in voc ed who earn a credential)	83%	67%						
Youth								
Registered	36	55						
Placement Rate (% of youth employed or in post sec ed)	82%	68%						
Credential Rate (% youth who achieved a HSD or GED)	57%	53%						

Participants in Occupational Education	19-20 Students (YTD)				18-19 Students (YTD)			
	Big Bend	WVC	WVC Omak	Other	Big Bend	WVC	WVC Omak	Other
Health Care	17	33	8	7	16	26	12	23
Office	22	7	2	8	12	4	2	7
Industrial & Technical	23	4	1	59	25	7	2	48

S C	Workforce Investment Fiscal	Budget	Expenditures	Expenditure Rate
	Career Services (Basic & Individual)	478,812	443,286	93%
	Employer Based Training On-The-Job/Incumbent Worker Training Work Experiences/Project Learning	61,867 89,509	23,205 65,825	38% 74%
	Occupational Education Healthcare Office Industrial/Technical	102,146	77,224 26,579 4,215 46,430	76%
	Basic Education Secondary Education Computer Basics	116,954 58,937	109,435 53,764	94% 91%
	Support and Incentives Total	34,545 942,770	13,979 786,718	40% 83%