

## LAND OF LINCOLN WORKFORCE ALLIANCE

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Land of Lincoln Workforce Alliance, located at the Illinois workNet Center (an American Job Center), has received additional Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) funds to assist with the economic issues that have developed as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Businesses can apply to use these additional funds for specific skill/employee training, employee skills upgrades, or layoff aversion assistance. Applications for this program can be found at <u>Business Grants for Employee Training</u> | Illinois WorkNet Center (worknet20.org).

These business grants can help qualifying companies upskill current workers to be more competitive. Additionally, they have been shown to improve productivity, create new revenue streams, and improve retention of valued employees.