Job Skills Programs (JSP)

Description:

The Job Skills Program, created by the Washington State Legislature in 1983, is a training tool for enhancing the growth of Washington's economy and increasing employment opportunities. JSP supports three types of projects:
- Training new employees for facility openings and expansions,
- Retraining current employees to prevent worker dislocation and promote employer competitiveness,
- Upgrade training of the current workforce for promotional opportunities, creating vacant positions for new hires.

JSP projects are customized to meet employers' specific needs and training is delivered on-site or in the classroom. Up to 50 percent of the employers' training costs are covered by JSP matching grants. Employers' matches can be cash and/or in-kind. The program is administered by the State Board and overseen by a customer advisory committee representing business, labor and education. Grants are awarded to licensed educational institutions in Washington (public and private postsecondary and apprenticeship trusts). Innovative approaches used in recent JSP projects include coordinated training for industry consortia, knowledge transfers and career ladders. JSP resources are concentrated in expanding industries where there is a shortage of skilled labor to meet employers' needs, economically disadvantaged populations with high unemployment rates, and areas affected by economic dislocation.

Coding:

Only JSP Students are enrolled in JSP courses.

All Job Skills Program courses are coded with:
- Fee Pay Status code 41
- Fund Source 4 (Contract)