

Chapter 2 Programs & Other Resources Available to You

Unemployment may be a result of:

- Facility closure or layoffs at a plant or company
- Business failure where you were self-employed and have been forced to close your business
- Being a displaced homemaker; this includes those dependent on a family member's income

As someone who has lost your job as a result of these kinds of circumstances, you can take advantage of the following programs and services provided by your local Workforce Oklahoma Center.

Every year, thousands of workers become unemployed through no fault of their own.

Re-Employment Services

- Orientation to the information and services available
- Initial assessment of your needs and abilities
- Job search and placement assistance
- Labor market information and statistics
- Assistance in establishing eligibility for other federal, state or local programs
- Follow-up services to help you obtain or maintain employment
- Federal bonding for certain job seekers
- The Work Opportunity Tax Credit

Additional Services Available Through the Workforce Investment Act (WIA)

- Career counseling
- Basic skills training, such as resume preparation, interviewing skills, math and computer skills
- Work experience
- Internship assignments

Training Services

- Occupational skills training through a career technology center, community college, four-year college or other approved training entity
- On-the-job training

Supportive Services

- Supportive services such as transportation, child care, dependent care, and housing and needs-related payments are provided under certain circumstances to allow an individual to participate in the program

Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA)

- Individuals whose layoff was created or affected by international trade may be eligible for additional services under the Trade Adjustment Assistance program
- TAA-certified workers can access services such as income support, relocation and job search allowances
- Those who need retraining for suitable employment may receive occupational training