



Jobs & Hope WV:

Empowering West Virginians for a Brighter Future

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Empowering West Virginians by collaboratively addressing barriers to employment and fostering access to career opportunities. Inspiring hope through community collaboration and sustainable employment pathways

| Target Population



West Virginia residents with a barrier to employment



Individuals who are in recovery from a substance use disorder



More specifically, those who have completed or are in the process of completing a recovery and/or treatment program

Who Qualifies



18 years of age
or older



Ready for training/
employment



Have barriers to
employment



Committed to
recovery



Willing to submit
a drug test

How Jobs & Hope WV Works



24
agents

*Positioned
to cover*

55
countie
s

Agents act
as resource
liaisons

Transition Agents Help With

✓ Drug Screening

✓ Legal Referrals

✓ Transportation Approvals

✓ Training/Education Referrals

✓ Employment Placement

✓ Additional Support

Participants Receive

- ✓ Free or Reduced Training
- ✓ Connection to Resources
- ✓ Help Eliminating Barriers
- ✓ Recovery Support
- ✓ License Reinstatement
- ✓ Career Placement
- ✓ Legal Guidance

Key Partners

- West Virginia DMV
- West Virginia Military Authority
- Legal Aid of West Virginia
- Good News Mountaineer Garage
- Modivcare
- WVODCP
- WorkForce WV
- WV Adult Education

Success Numbers



Program
Participants

1,602



Completed
Expungements

47



Driver's License
Reinstatements

2,771



Jobs & Hope WV
Graduates¹

585

¹ Participant has removed barriers, received training, and achieved and maintained career employment

Success Numbers



Employed Participants
as a Result of Program

9,650



Average
Annual Salary²

\$26,069



Total Combined
Salaries

\$93.1



No Longer Receiving
SNAP Benefits³

1,810

²This was calculated by using salary information from current career employed participants and graduates. Career employed is defined as employment within the participants chosen field which may include full time, above minimum wage, employment with the option of health and retirement benefits and/or career advancement opportunities

³Average amount of benefits for West Virginia household is \$322/month

Employer Incentives

- Jobs & Hope WV Workforce Employment Program
 - Collaboration of Program Partners: Jobs & Hope WV, and the West Virginia Military Authority, offer subsidized job placement(s) for WV employers who hire Jobs & Hope WV participants
 - Salary reimbursement for wages up to 1,040 hours up to \$20,000 per employee
 - Free drug screening
 - Additional support services through Jobs & Hope WV

Reentry Liaisons

The West Virginia Schools of Diversion & Transition (WVSDT) has strategically positioned four Reentry Liaisons within state facilities offering Career and Technical Education (CTE) and other educational programs. These Reentry Liaisons engage directly with students, equipping them for a smooth reintegration into their communities and connecting them with Jobs & Hope WV Transition Agent.



AMANDA TROUT
Reentry Liaison



KRISTON GRIEME
Reentry Liaison



KAITLYN FERGUSON
Reentry Liaison



JAMIE OATES
Reentry Liaison

Success Stories: Bobby Burchett

- **Barriers Overcome:**

- ✓ Transportation challenges
- ✓ Justice-involved background

- **Key Partners:**

- ♦ WV National Guard – HEOC training
- ♦ Northwood Health Systems – Work attire assistance
- ♦ Anderson Excavating – Career opportunity

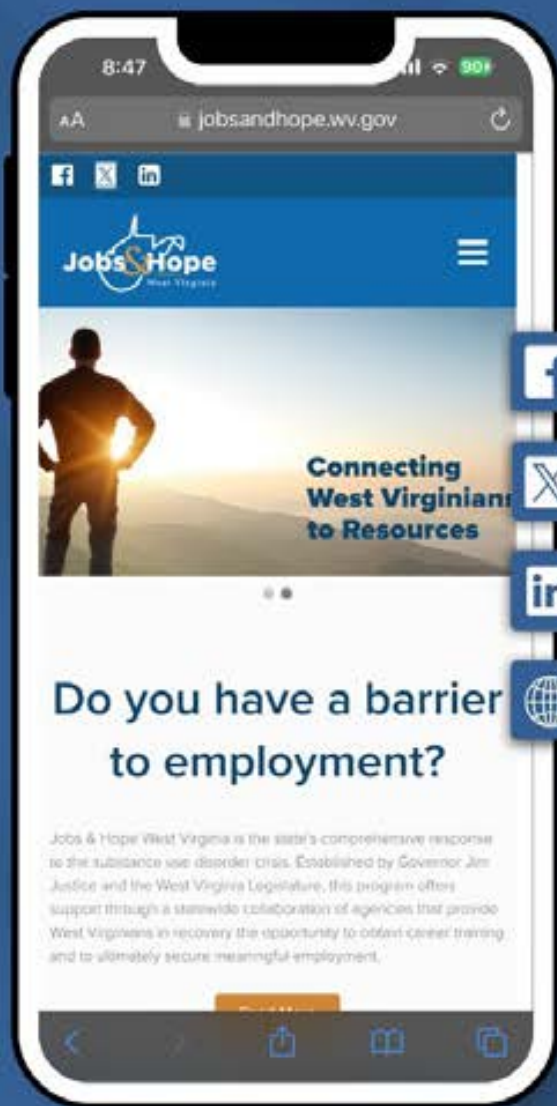
- **Path to Success:**

- ✓ Graduated Ohio County Drug Court
- ✓ Worked at Wheeling Island Casino
- ✓ Completed peer coach training
- ✓ Earned HEOC certification (June 2023)
- ✓ Secured full-time employment with Anderson Excavating

- **Jobs & Hope WV Support:**

- ♦ HEOC training
- ♦ Financial assistance for work attire





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**WE ARE THE
STATE'S
RESPONSE**

**TO THE SUBSTANCE USE
DISORDER CRISIS.**

**SCAN TO
CONNECT**

