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DSS
Ulster County Department
of Social Services
1021 Development Court, Kingston
Lenore Cane
334-5000; Fax 334-5301

The DSS provides those who meet the requirements with temporary assistance, medicaid, food stamps and child support. In addition, the DSS can assist with day care, adult or child protective services, and adoption or foster care. The department also offers supportive services to those who enter employment such as Transitional Day Care, Transitional Medicaid and the services of the Child Assistance Program.

OJT
On-the-Job Training Program
7 Albany Avenue, Suite G3, Kingston
Robert Hirsch
338-2698; Fax 338-0968

The Chamber of Commerce of Ulster County's OJT Program provides employers assistance in obtaining and training new employees. OJT also provides job opportunities and useful training for those that are unemployed while saving some of the costs of hiring and training for the employer. Employers are reimbursed for up to 50% of the wages they pay to eligible employees whom they are training in a specific job or occupation. Individuals must be certified as eligible prior to entering employment.

DOL
N.Y.S. Department of Labor
30-32 O'Neil Street, Kingston
Barbara Cazakoff
338-4696; Fax 339-0607
563-7000, Newburgh

The DOL certifies all recently hired, full time equivalent, regular, and non-seasonal employees for a wage tax credit. They also offer employers exposure to the widest possible selection of qualified job seekers. DOL economists provide both statewide and local information on economic conditions, business outlook, labor supply and demand by occupation, wage information, and terms of union contracts.

JTPA
Job Training Partnership Administration
300 Flatbush Avenue, Kingston
Employment & Training Coordinator
340-3170; Fax 340-3165

The JTPA operates an on-the-job training program designed to assist employers in obtaining and training new employees, OJT can help employers defray many of the costs associated with hiring and training new workers by offering reimbursement at a rate of up to 50% of the trainee's wages during the training period. JTPA provides assistance in recruiting and pre-screening applicants, but the employer makes the final selection. JTPA can also pay for customized job related classroom training, if the employer believes such training would be beneficial. It is important that employers agree to retain those OJT participants who successfully complete the program.

UCDC
Ulster County Development Corporation
5 Development Court, Kingston
Gerry Davidson
338-8840; Fax 338-0409
e.mail UCDCdir@aol.com

Ulster County Development Corporation, as the lead economic development agency, is dedicated to marketing of the County's assets for new business attraction enhancement and retention of existing business, and continuing business investment. Our staff is available to assist your company with site selection process, financial assistance, workforce identification, and other areas which may be required. UCDC has a close relationship with area chambers of commerce and other economic development groups that play a vital role in making Ulster County a solid place to work and live.

SBDC
Small Business Development Center
1 Development Court, Kingston
Pat LaSusa
339-0025; Fax 339-1631

The SBDC specializes in one-on-one business counseling and technical assistance to new or existing small businesses. Advisors assist with business plan development, financial and market analysis, locating funding sources and strategic planning issues, import and export information, and more. Advisors also assist with locating product, market and trend resources. All services are free of charge to residents in Orange, Dutchess, Ulster and Sullivan Counties.

HVTDC
Hudson Valley Technology
Development Center
300 Westage Business Center - Ste, 130
Fishkill
Edward T. Burns
896-6934; Fax 896-7006

The Hudson Valley Technology Development Center is affiliated with the New York Manufacturing Extension Partnership. Our purpose is to improve competitiveness and promote economic growth in the Mid-Hudson region by providing technical and business assistance to manufacturers. We help the smaller manufacturer master modern technologies, management techniques, and methods of work organization. Since joining the nationwide network of such Centers in July 1994, the not-for-profit TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CENTER has assisted more than four hundred New York companies identify practical solutions and improve their bottom lines.

DCB
Development Center for Business
1 Development Court, Kingston
Rosanne Yetzer
339-2025; Fax 339-1389

The Development Center for Business at Ulster County Community College (UCCC) offers training throughout the year at the Business Resource Center or at the worksite to help employees upgrade job knowledge, learn new skills, or improve customer satisfaction. Classes range in length from two hours to several days and include managerial, technical, computer, and productivity training for business and industry. Ulster County Community College also sponsors a Health and Safety Institute which can help businesses increase productivity by reducing occupational hazards and accidents through assessment, awareness, and remaining programs.