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North Jersey Partners is an innovative regional partnership of public, private, and government organizations collaborating to ensure that a talented and skilled workforce will help drive economic growth in northern New Jersey. We operate with an initial investment of \$5.1 million provided by the U.S. Department of Labor through the Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development (WIRED) Initiative. Our lead agency in implementing the grant is the Newark Alliance.

Our service area encompasses Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, Passaic, Sussex, Union, and Warren counties in northern New Jersey. Bordering the Delaware River, New York City, and the Atlantic Ocean, this region includes more than 4 million people and over half of New Jersey's private sector jobs. It is a national economic powerhouse, and home to many global corporate leaders. It is an attractive, diverse region that also hosts some of the richest and poorest communities in our nation.

North Jersey Partners' mission is to align and connect regional institutions and organizations to ensure that people and industries become—and remain—competitive, inventive, and innovative. Our primary goals are to:

- ✓ *leverage assets that help sustain and grow our regional economy*
- ✓ *link unemployed and underemployed residents—and prepare students—to fill jobs in industry sectors with existing shortages and anticipated growth.*
- ✓ *spur development and job creation through innovation and small business expansion*

North Jersey Partners focuses on **key industry clusters** that have the potential to provide the greatest economic impact through development of a talented workforce. The clusters are:

Transportation, Logistics, & Distribution
Health Care & Life Sciences
Entertainment, Arts & Retail
Entrepreneurship & Small Business Development

Information technology is at the heart of dynamic economic growth, and **North Jersey Partners** is working to ensure that every worker has access to these critical skills. Taking a further step, we are using IT—and, specifically—online technology to support and expand the way in which 21st century training and education are conducted.

Our Partners

United States Departments of Labor and Commerce
New Jersey Governor Jon S. Corzine
New Jersey Departments of Labor & Workforce Development and Education, Commission on Higher Education
New Jersey Economic Development Authority
Workforce Investment Boards and One Stop Career Centers throughout the region
The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
World Class Universities, Four-year Colleges, Eight Community Colleges, and Secondary Education
Business and Industry and Chambers of Commerce
Community-Based Organizations, Faith-Based Organizations and Foundations

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