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GOVERNOR'S TRAINING INITIATIVE (GTI)

A joint program of the Maine Department of Labor and
the Maine Department of Economic and Community Development

Whether your business is large or small, the Governor's Training Initiative can provide financial assistance for training new employees and/or retraining existing workers with innovative, non-routine training.

Your company may qualify for GTI funding if you:

- Are a Maine private-sector employer;
- Provide a post-training wage equal to 85% of the average wage for the given occupation in your labor market area;
- Contribute at least 50% of the premium cost of employee health insurance, unless yours is a small business with fewer than 25 employees *and* have been in business fewer than 3 years;
- Commit to long-term operation in Maine.

Training services eligible for reimbursement include:

- high performance skills training
- technical training
- on-the-job training
- workplace safety
- training needs assessment
- job task analysis
- workplace literacy
- higher education.

New Guidelines: There is a cap on the award amounts of \$800 *per future hire trainee* and \$350 *per incumbent trainee*. Also, only *one application per fiscal year* (July 1 to June 30) will be accepted for GTI awards.

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How to apply: [Download an application](#) and submit to:

Governor's Training Initiative
Bureau of Employment Services
Maine Department of Labor
55 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0055

If you have questions, please call Gail Dyer at 623-7982 or Merle Davis at 623-7983.

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