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The Work Station expands its services

The Work Station in The Plains has increased the number of services and resources it offers to area residents.

The One-Stop office, which provides free employment, training and support services for businesses, job seekers and the community, now has new computer equipment and personnel on hand to provide assistance.

One big change at The Work Station is the expanded presence of community partners such as Hocking College, the Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation, Mature Services, the Veterans Administration and the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services. Representatives from these partners are not at The Work Station every day, but are there often.

Another change is the recent addition of new computers, printers and a scanner for the computer lab, and video conference equipment for the facility. The new equipment was paid for through grant funding.

The Work Station is open to all area residents and provides a wide array of services, including adult education, programs for people who lose their jobs due to layoffs, GED programs, job training programs, a Jobs Board with information on job openings in the region, a clothing bank for outfits for job interviews, programs to help people look for jobs and programs for ex-offenders.

The Work Station is part of Athens County Job and Family Services and partners with the One-Stop offices in Perry and Meigs counties. Located at 70 North Plains Road in The Plains, The Work Station is open from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. On Wednesdays, The Work Station stays open until 6 p.m.