

RESULTS

"We found ourselves with an emergency need for qualified Wind Turbine Technicians to be onsite in several states immediately. Green Jobs provided a responsive approach by arranging multiple interviews, and within 24 hours four new hires were on their way to jobs across the country. Since then, we have employed several other qualified employees from Green Jobs Central Oklahoma. **We continue to be impressed with the excellent services, support and staff offered to us through this strategic and mutually beneficial partnership.**"

Rita Murray
Senior Vice President Compliance & Safety
PCG Wind, LLC

"The benefits to working with Green Jobs Central Oklahoma are: we have been able to train individuals that find the value in reusing and recycling all materials; **with the graduates from the program, we have come to understand the tremendous impact we can have on the environment in our community.**"

Chris Daniels
Interim Chief Executive Officer
Oklahoma Goodwill Industries



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Green Jobs Central Oklahoma
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MISSION

Green Jobs Central Oklahoma wants to help your business be successful by providing well-trained employees. Not only is this service valuable, it's free! Creating bright futures for deserving people and companies is our mission. Green Jobs Central Oklahoma is here to help you and help them.

The goal of Green Jobs Central Oklahoma is to assist individuals from northeast Oklahoma City by providing the training necessary to go to work for Oklahoma companies. GJCO can **customize a training program to meet your company's needs.** Our program graduates are ready to become productive, hardworking employees.



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WIND ENERGY

Trainees are taught the latest wind energy technology. In addition to interpersonal skills training, each potential employee completes a 16-week course with Oklahoma City Community College in the following areas

Tower Safety • Confined Space • Crane and Rigging • Forklift & Snorkel Lift • OSHA First Aid/CPR • Torque Tool Safety

Upon successful completion of their courses trainees receive certification as a Wind Turbine Assistant.

From warehouse to wind

When trying to support four small children, \$9.50 an hour doesn't go far these days; just ask Christopher Adams, Certified Wind Turbine Technician. "Prior to going through the Green Jobs program I was working in a furniture store warehouse, as many hours as I could, and was still at the end of my rope," said Christopher.

Christopher applied for Green Jobs Central Oklahoma at a local job fair and was invited to be part of the wind certification program. "I continued to work full-time while going through the classes," remembers Christopher. It was intense training but in the end I became a Certified Wind Turbine Technician." He soon received a phone call for an interview with PCG Wind. He was offered a full-time position and flew out the next day for his first assignment in the state of Washington.

"It all happened so fast," said Christopher. "Green Jobs Oklahoma has been such a blessing. They say it's always darkest before the dawn and that's been so true for me... but the sun came out! I have a career and a future, and my kids even have medical benefits! The best thing is that now when my children need something, I can actually provide it!"



RECYCLE TRAINING

Recycle program trainees attend four weeks of classroom instruction and hands-on preparation provided by Goodwill Industries. Instruction includes training in waste management and transport, equipment and safety, and customer service and communication.

Additional training sessions teach techniques for problem-solving, working as a team and communicating effectively. Potential employees are provided guidance for the interviewing process, resume building, career development and budget management.

Out of the frying pan into the future

After successfully completing a drug rehab program, Terry Clark was working as a cook for a local restaurant chain. "I had been clean for two years and was grateful that I had a job," said Clark. But he had been struggling to pay child support for his two sons and keep a roof over his head.

"I really enjoyed the professional development classes as well as personal development like financial planning. We also learned to work various pieces of equipment and took classes for OSHA, First Aid and CPR. It was great all-around training."

Clark continued his job at the restaurant until he had an interview opportunity with Goodwill. "I wasn't expecting the chance to come up so quickly, but it did and I was offered a position as a bailer, packaging clothing to be shipped to third world countries. It made me feel good that the work I was doing was helping people. Then I became a processor, helping pick up contributions around the city. I've now been assigned to a store and have my own route."

As a full-time employee of Goodwill Industries, Clark admits that he feels differently about himself. "I hold my head up high and have more confidence in myself. I'm proud of what I do and who I work for... and the bills are getting paid," laughs Clark.



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