



MARCH 2016 NEWSLETTER

Contract for Section 2 of boulevard signed

Using additional ODOT funding since Nov. 2014, OhioMeansJobs|Cleveland-Cuyahoga County (OMJ|CC) has successfully placed 301 Opportunity Corridor residents into employment!

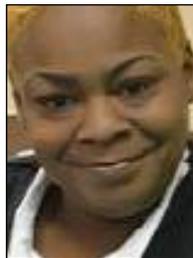
The success has continued into January, as 16 new residents from Cleveland Wards 4, 5 and 6 were placed into jobs, while 6 residents received training services leading to in-demand positions. OMJ|CC



outreach also included 13 targeted recruitment sessions for residents. The top three job placement areas occurred within general labor, health-care and manufacturing. Without these critical supportive services, many residents would not be able to engage in training or accept employment opportunities.

Read about residents fulfilling career goals

Spotlight on the Corridor is a regular publication produced by consultants from the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) to showcase how neighborhood residents are actively involved in the Opportunity Corridor.



Ross

The latest installment profiles Ward 5 resident Alicia Ross, right, as she explained the journey of moving through public housing and establishing a better life for herself and family, all the while planning for a career in social work. Read more about her journey [here](#).

Also, read more about another business owner who took advantage of training and supportive services offered by Ohio Means Jobs|Cleveland-Cuyahoga through ODOT funding set aside for area residents. Ward 6 resident, Carla Moody, built upon her prior experience in hazard abatement and remediation to plot a course as a new business owner. [Read her spotlight](#) as well, produced by the Opportunity Corridor Communications Consultants.

Opportunity Corridor Jobs Ambassadors doing great work!

Opportunity Corridor Jobs Ambassadors **Carla Williams** (cwilliams@fairfaxdev.org) and **Khalid Hawthorne**



(khawthorne@fairfaxdev.org) have reported great progress in getting residents connected to help in securing jobs. In Jan. for example, they attended 7 meetings; made 19 referrals to OMJ|CC; and canvassed 16 streets, distributing 1,760 pieces of information door-to-door. If you know of a place they should visit next, don't hesitate to contact them!

Continue to look for this newsletter as we present upcoming events and news revolving around the project. Scan this code to visit our website.



~ Opportunity Corridor Partnership Office