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Finger Lakes WIRED Awards Second Round of Grants - 15 Companies Receive \$262,540 to Enhance Worker Skills More Funds Available—up to \$50,000 per Organization

Rochester, NY—January 25, 2007—Finger Lakes WIRED, www.fingerlakeswired.com, has awarded scholarships to 15 more area businesses to train workers in Monroe, Livingston, Ontario, and Wayne counties. These businesses will receive a total of \$262,540 to provide a variety of training to 149 employees.

This is the second round of scholarship funds Finger Lakes Wired has awarded. It granted \$145,476.51 to 14 companies in December 2006.

Finger Lakes WIRED is charged with supporting economic development and transforming the Finger Lakes region economy by increasing entrepreneurship and innovation, expanding employment, and advancing worker opportunities. It helps fund programs that advance these objectives.

Scholarships Awarded by County

Livingston County

Tabtronics, \$49,315

Monroe County

Complemar, \$29,741
Galvin Design Studio, \$9,100
ROMOLD, Inc., \$4,355
Kroner, Gamble & Company LLC, \$1,622
Advanced Interconnect Manufacturing, Inc., \$50,000
Label World, \$2,400
Vincent Associates, \$20,608
Gillespie Associates, \$13,211
Oser Press, \$11,880
Pro-Value Services, \$39,744
Xerox, \$3,134
BioWorks, Inc., \$24,226

Ontario County

Business Protection Specialists, \$1,670

Wayne County

Lake Immunogenics, Inc., \$1,534

More Funds Are Available

Finger Lakes WIRED will award a total of \$700,000 to companies in optics and imaging, biotech and life sciences, food and agriculture, advanced manufacturers, alternative energy, information technology, engineering, business services and healthcare.

Organizations in qualified industries in the nine-county Finger Lakes region may request up to \$50,000 per application for training that leads to the acquisition of industry-recognized certifications/credentials, productivity and process improvement procedures, or in-demand skills.

The application process is quick and easy. Approvals are often made within one week.

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[Finger Lakes WIRED](#) (Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development) is one of 13 designated WIRED regions in the country funded by the U. S. Department of Labor to support economic development and transform regional economies. Finger Lakes WIRED initiatives focus on a nine-county region (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, Wyoming and Yates counties) surrounding Rochester N.Y., to increase entrepreneurship and innovation, expand employment, advance opportunities for workers, and enhance the talent of the workforce through the creation of high-skill and high-wage opportunities.

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