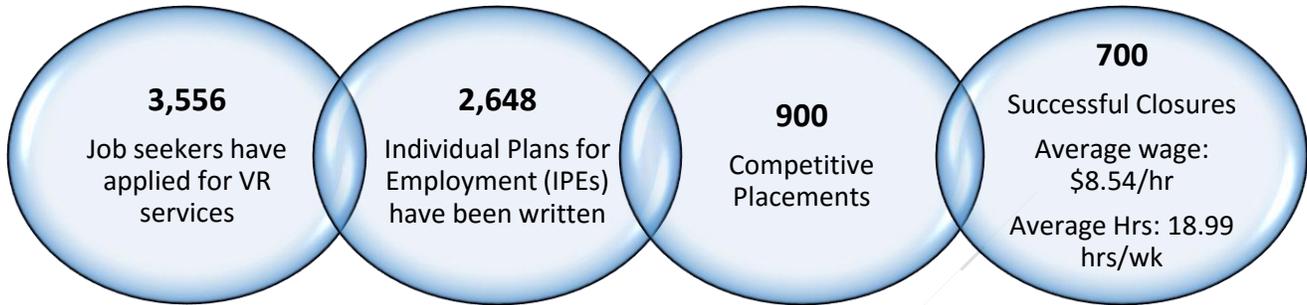


Employment First Partnership Update

Summary of Accomplishments

These performance statistics capture the progress made since the launch of the EF Partnership (October 2013):

The EF Partnership has been instrumental in the overall improvement of referral development, outreach and collaboration with our local county boards of developmental disabilities resulting in a greater number of employment outcomes and individuals served.



County Board Feedback:

A survey was conducted in Fall 2015 to gauge county board satisfaction with the EF Partnership. Below are the results:

- 89% reported seeing an improvement in the time it took from referral to service delivery
- 83% reported satisfaction with the progress of the individuals served through the Employment First Partnership
- 81% reported outcomes for persons with I/DD in their identified county as a result of the EF Partnership
- 80% rated the Employment First Partnership as successful in their county.

Partnership Expansion in FFY17

Because of this success, and the identified need to continue to expand resources to serve DD-eligible adults, DODD and OOD are expanding the EF Partnership by five dedicated Counselors beginning in FFY 2017 (October 1, 2016). With this expansion, the EF Partnership will serve an additional 300 job seekers with developmental disabilities, bringing the total served to 1800. In addition, OOD will align the EF regions with local field office territories to improve efficiency. As a result of this expansion, regional coverage and some staff changes will occur. It will be a priority to maintain open communication with our partners during this transition.

	Current Stats	Expansion	Total
Current Match	\$1,838,687.50	\$398,809 (+22%)	\$2,237,496.50
Staff Expansion	25 EF Counselors	5 EF Counselors	30 EF Counselors
# Consumers Served	1500	300	1800

Staffing

Five additional counselors will be headquartered in regions with the greatest identified need based on the number of current open cases on hand and projected numbers of referrals.

Headquarters	Counties Served
Akron	Medina, Summit, Portage
Dayton	Montgomery
Cleveland	Cuyahoga, Lake, Geauga, Ashtabula
Mansfield	Richland, Ashland, Morrow, Knox
Toledo	Lucas, Ottawa

Timeline of Expansion

