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EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNEMPLOYED WORKERS

President Obama recently announced individuals getting unemployment insurance (UI) benefits would receive a special consideration for financial aid to pay for job training or education. Under limited circumstances you may be able to keep UI benefits while enrolled.

Federal Pell Grant scholarships are awarded based on financial need and other factors and cover up to \$5,350 annually in education and training expenses. They are accepted at nearly all universities, community colleges, and trade and technical schools. Pell Grants are available only to individuals in an undergraduate degree or certificate program, however, students who already have an undergraduate degree cannot receive a Pell Grant to obtain another undergraduate degree. Even if you do not qualify for a Pell Grant, you may be eligible for other educational assistance that may lead to more secure jobs and higher wages.

The Departments of Education and Labor have created a single web site, www.opportunity.gov with helpful information. If you are interested in pursuing these educational and training opportunities:

- * Decide what education or training meets your needs. Visit your local university, community college or trade and technical school, or a Department of Workforce Services (DWS) Employment Center for help in identifying potential education and training opportunities. A complete list of all DWS Employment Centers is located on the back of this letter.

- * Individuals interested in applying for a Pell Grant must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which is available at www.fafsa.ed.gov or by calling 1-800-433-3243. While you will need to report last year's income when applying, your school can adjust your eligibility to reflect your current financial circumstances. Colleges or DWS Employment Centers have resource centers to help you apply for Pell Grant scholarships and other federal financial aid.

- * Take this letter with you when you apply. It is valid for 90 days and confirms you are a UI beneficiary, and by definition a dislocated worker. While this letter does not guarantee you a Pell Grant, your school will use it to evaluate your eligibility. If you lose this letter, or your 90 days has expired, you may provide alternative evidence you are receiving UI, such as your Unemployment Insurance Monetary Determination of Benefits or by going to jobs.utah.gov/ui, clicking "Filing for Unemployment Benefits", selecting "Current Claim Status".

- * It is important to note that participation in an education or training program may impact your continued eligibility to receive UI benefits. The DWS Employment Centers can help determine what training may be appropriate for your individual circumstances. Generally, DWS-approved training programs will allow you to remain eligible to receive UI benefits. Approved enrollment does not add to your benefits.

This letter only applies to you if you are planning on attending school or training. If you have any questions you may contact the UI Claims Center at (801)526-4400 Salt Lake/South Davis, (801)612-0877 Weber/North Davis, (801)375-4067 Utah County, (888)848-0688 Balance of State or Out of State.

STATE EMPLOYMENT CENTERS

American Fork	751 East Quality Dr #100	(801)492-4500
Beaver	875 North Main	(435)438-5498
Blanding	544 North 100 East	(435)678-1400
Brigham City	1050 South 500 West	(435)734-4060
Cedar City	176 East 200 North	(435)865-6530
Clearfield	1290 East 1450 South	(801)776-7800
Delta	44 South 350 East	(435)864-3860
Emery County	550 West Hwy 29	(435)381-6100
Fillmore	55 West 100 North	(435)743-5304
Heber City	69 North 600 West, Ste C	(435)654-6520
Junction	550 North Main	(435)577-2443
Kanab	468 East 300 South	(435)644-8910
Loa	18 South Main	(435)836-2406
Logan	180 North 100 West	(435)792-0300
Manti	55 South Main #3	(435)835-0720
Midvale	7292 South State St	(801)567-3800
Moab	457 Kane Creek Blvd	(435)719-2600
Monticello	16 East 300 South	(435)587-2015
Nephi	625 North Main	(435)623-1927
Ogden	480 27th Street	(801)626-0300
Panguitch	665 North Main	(435)676-8893
Park City	1846 Prospector Ave	(435)649-8451
Price	475 West Price River Dr #300	(435)636-2300
Provo	1550 North 200 West	(801)342-2600
Richfield	115 East 100 South	(435)893-0000
Roosevelt	140 West 425 South 330-13	(435)722-6500
Roy	1951 West 5400 South	(801)776-7200
Salt Lake Downtown	158 South 200 West	(801)524-9000
Salt Lake Metro	720 South 200 East	(801)536-7000
Salt Lake So County	5735 South Redwood Rd	(801)269-4700
South Davis	763 West 700 South W.Cross	(801)298-6600
Spanish Fork	1185 North Chappel Drive	(801)794-6600
St George	162 North 400 East Bldg B	(435)674-5627
Tooele	305 North Main, Ste 100	(435)833-7310
Vernal	1050 West Market Dr	(435)781-4100
West Valley	2750 South 5600 West Ste A	(801)840-4400