



Spotlight on the Corridor



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Carla Moody

Following One's Course to Succeed

After working for an organization for 15 years, Ward 6 resident, Carla Moody suddenly found herself unemployed because of organizational cutbacks. For some people in the same situation, losing a job might have been a permanent setback, however; Ms. Moody said, "I am not going to let my past dictate my future." Because she had prior experience in the abatement and remediation of hazards and kept up her training and licensures, she stayed focused and plotted a new course as a business owner.

Continuing her course for success, Ms. Moody wanted additional training in order to stay competitive in her industry. Consequently, she sought the training and supportive services being offered by Ohio Means Jobs through the set aside funding from the Ohio Department of Transportation because the Opportunity Corridor Project affects her Ward 6 community. She was able to receive the specific training in asbestos removal that was needed to enhance her skills and further progress her business. Additionally, she received gas cards to assist her with transportation.

Ms. Moody is an advocate for taking advantage of opportunities to positively grow. "I continually engage and encourage residents in my community to take advantage of these offerings through Ohio Means Jobs," Ms. Moody said. Even in her spare time, she empowers her family especially her grandchildren with educational lessons. She also has a heart of care because of her dedication to her mom and making sure she is living comfortably.

Following her course to succeed, Ms. Moody's story did not end with unemployment but it continued with her business, Moody Environmental and Consulting LLC, her primary source of income.

"I truly thank Ohio Means Jobs and the Ohio Department of Transportation for all they have done to increase me and my future opportunities," said Ms. Moody.

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