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County Roles, Barriers and Solutions - County Case Studies

Warren County, Ohio



2021 POPULATION: **246,553** U.S. REGION: **CENTRAL**

ARCHETYPE: URBAN PERIPHERY



NACo Counties for Career Success Participant Warren County, a suburb of Cincinnati, is home to a high median income, but also encompasses many rural and low-income communities. Warren County Career Center, the county's career technical school, provides both high school and adult education programs on a shared campus. As Warren County's public transportation infrastructure is limited, most residents rely on personal vehicles to travel to school or work. However, many of the county's most marginalized residents face economic barriers to car ownership or obtaining a driver's license.

Barriers



TRANSPORTATION



ESSENTIAL SKILLS

Solutions

SUPPORTING ACCESS TO PERSONAL VEHICLES

For eligible youth, workforce development providers use Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds to assist with driver's education, car payment, insurance and mileage costs to address widespread transportation barriers for low-income families in Warren County.

RURAL OUTREACH

In response to transportation barriers and education disparities in rural areas of Warren County, the local OhioMeansJobs installed one of their signature Resource Rooms at a rural high school and developed a portable version for even more rural outreach. Resource Rooms are equipped with internet-connected computers, career navigators and employment resources including copiers, printers, job postings and education and training information.



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