Job Protection Grant

The Job Protection Grant Program provides grants to “at risk” industries that have been operating in the state for at least three years and that have lost jobs or are at risk of losing jobs because these jobs have been outsourced. For the purposes of the Job Protection Program, outsourced jobs are defined as Mississippi jobs that are being lost and relocated to industries in foreign countries.

Businesses that are eligible under this program include:

- manufacturers
- warehouses and distribution centers
- research and development facilities
- telecommunications and data processing facilities
- national or regional headquarters

Job Protection grant recipients must use grant funds to retain jobs and improve their productivity and competitiveness. A business cannot reduce its employment by more than 20 percent if it receives a Job Protection grant.

Job Protection grant funds are only available for projects related to fixed assets, such as building or land improvements, and can’t be used for working capital or to provide facilities used by a gaming enterprise or retail operation. Job Protection Grants cannot exceed 50 percent of the total cost of the project.

For more information or to apply for this program, contact MDA’s Financial Resources Division at 601.359.3552 or email financial@mississippi.org.