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Subject: Workforce Development - New Program for Hiring CDL Drivers

**Connecticut Employers: You Need Commercial Drivers – We Have Them!
Be part of the driver shortage solution**

The Entry-Level Driver Training and Employment Program (ELDTEP) provides wage subsidies for on-the-job training and support for eligible CDL program graduates. The program is designed by employers to help meet the critical need for a skilled transportation workforce.

In partnership with local driver training schools, ELDTEP targets entry-level drivers who have obtained a CDL license but lack significant commercial driving experience. Drivers must reside in one of *57* towns and cities in the Greater Hartford area*, and meet income and other WSCMH eligibility requirements. Participating employers will be reimbursed 30% of a new driver's salary (up to \$18 per hour, 40 hours a week) over an 8-week period.

The ELDTEP program is an initiative of the Transportation, Distribution and Logistics (TDL) Workforce Partnership and is managed by the CBIA Education and Workforce Partnership with funding from the Workforce Solutions Collaborative of Metro Hartford (WSCMH). For more information on this program and the TDL Workforce Partnership contact CBIA's program manager [Deb Presbie](mailto:Deb.Presbie@cbia.org) (860.244.1932).

**The following are eligible towns and cities in the Greater Hartford area:*

Andover	Coventry	Haddam	New Hartford	Thomaston
Ashford	Cromwell	Hartford	Newington	Tolland
Avon	East Granby	Hartland	Plainville	Union
Barkhamsted	East Haddam	Harwinton	Plymouth	Vernon
Berlin	East Hampton	Hebron	Portland	West Hartford
Bloomfield	East Hartford	Lebanon	Rocky Hill	Wethersfield
Bolton	East Windsor	Manchester	Simsbury	Willington
Bristol	Ellington	Mansfield	Somers	Windsor
Burlington	Enfield	Marlborough	South Windsor	Windsor Locks
Canton	Farmington	Middlefield	Southington	
Colchester	Glastonbury	Middletown	Stafford	
Columbia	Granby	New Britain	Suffield	

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Ashley Ranslow at aranslow@nrla.org or call 518-880-6350.



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