

Owner to Owner Podcast Notes



Advice on Accessing Going PRO Talent Fund Grant

Episode #32

Summary:

Felicia Harris, Founder, and CEO of EverythingHR and EverythingHR Financial Services interview Dorthy Huddleston Certified Business Solution Professional Consultant under the Advanced Manufacturing Project for the Detroit MBDA Center with the Michigan Minority Supplier Development Center (MMSDC). Dorthy explains what the Going PRO Talent Fund grant is and how to apply for it, what she offers through her information sessions, key points about leverage funds, and how to become a client of the MBDA Center

Episode Highlights:

- Dorthy shares her career expertise
- What is the Going PRO Talent Fund grant and how it helps to close the skill gap?
- Are there any employer or employee restrictions with the Going PRO Talent Fund?
- What types of training are allowed in the program?
- What is the process of Dorthy Huddleston's information sessions?
- Are there things we should know about leverage funds?
- Dorthy provides a brief recap of the talking points.
- How can you become a client of the MBDA Center?
- Do they only work with minority businesses?
- What is the cost of Dorthy's workshops?
- What is the Going PRO Talent Fund grant?
- What is Dorthy's opinion about concerns that once an employee is trained they will leave the company?
- Which employers are eligible for the Going PRO Talent Fund Grant and how much can you get per employee
- What is a certified BSP?
- How can the Going PRO Talent Fund grant be a benefit for your business and your employees?

3 Key Points:

1. Leverage funds can include paying for employees' training.
2. Statistically, it is small businesses that are the engine of all communities.
3. Going PRO Talent Fund started in 2015 and it provides competitive awards to employers to assist in training, developing, and retaining current and newly hired employees.

Tweetable Quotes:

- “With your case, with your rationale, you want to make sure that you talk about your challenges and or the barriers that you are having. Because we know each company isn’t perfect.” – Dorthy Huddleston
- “To become a client of the MBDA Center it is \$100, and that is an annual fee. With that \$100 you can get a consultation to look at your business, to develop your business, to help you with a capability statement.” – Dorthy Huddleston
- “Within the MBDA Center, I work for the 5 ethnicity groups, and that is the Black American, the Latino and or Hispanic, Native American, Asian, Pacific.” – Dorthy Huddleston

Resources Mentioned

Podcast

<http://elshaddaiconsulting.net/everythinghr-owner-to-owner-podcast.html>

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