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STRIVE Gets \$620K from Walmart for Skills Training

STRIVE has received a \$620,000 grant from the Walmart Foundation which will support the provision of occupational skills training to an additional 200 unemployed men and women in Boston, New York City, and Washington DC.

The new Walmart Skills Training Initiative enables STRIVE to expand the job readiness services it provides to underserved communities. It aims to help at-risk individuals, particularly low-income women and the formerly incarcerated, improve their occupational skills and prospects for employment, helping them and their families get on the path to a brighter future.

"The Walmart Foundation supports programs that provide people with ways to improve their lives through workforce readiness, job placement and support services," says Michelle Gilliard, senior director at the Walmart Foundation. "This partnership with STRIVE is part of our ongoing efforts to help workers gain the necessary skills for today's job market."

Since its establishment in 1984, STRIVE's signature Attitudinal and Job Readiness training has helped nearly 50,000 individuals across America develop the attitudes and behaviors they need to succeed in the workplace. But in today's economy, the right attitude is not always enough to find a job. To help its graduates become more competitive candidates, STRIVE has integrated sector-based skills training into our work readiness model.

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