

P.L. 89-136 - Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965

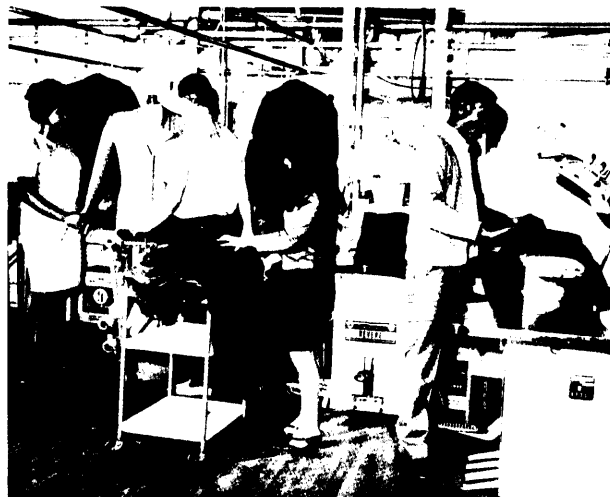
PURPOSE: To engage in educational programs intended to train and retrain residents to enable them to qualify for job opportunities, thereby enabling them to achieve full-time employment.

DISTRICT PROGRAM: In cooperation with the department of commerce and department of labor the district has implemented a program whereby unemployed persons receive training in both basic education and in a basic occupational skill. The person receives a salary as he learns. This program is offered in a "skills center" established for this purpose.

RESULTS: First results were very good, with good progress on the part of participants culminating in almost total full-time employment. The center is now beginning work with the "hard core" unemployed. The degree of success which can be achieved with this group is yet to be determined.

CONCLUSION: Concerted and coordinated effort is needed to provide training and placement of chronically unemployed.

Results today of the pilot "skills center" project are encouraging.



The unemployed learn in a "skills center" in San Diego.

It has been found that many of the chronically unemployed would like to work if they are given a chance to learn and earn.