

Technical Assistance for Local Employers

Oregon's Bureau of Labor and Industries, home of the state's Technical Assistance for Employers Program, has opened registration for the state's premier employer training event with a special early-bird registration price for the complete two-day package.

This year's conference, set for Nov. 29-30 at the Oregon Convention Center in Portland, will feature 22 different semi-

nars on a wide range of topics.

"Our conference agenda is driven by what local employers are telling us they want and need to be successful," said Jennifer Germundson, program manager and coordinator of the annual event. "Each of our seminars is led by an expert presenter from BOLI or one of Oregon's leading employment law attorneys.

Visit oregon.gov/BOLI for more information.



Rosalie Gordon, an AmeriCorps member for the Community Energy Project, trains Jeremy Toews, a student intern from the Oregon Institute of Technology, on how to use a blower to test a door for proper weatherization.

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organizations like Constructing Hope.

CEP will hire local businesses for some of the work, prioritizing women and minority-owned companies like Boanerges Group.

CEP's free services have been shrinking for years as government grants become less stable. This year CEP will provide weatherization workshops and supplies to 685 households, a drastic reduction from the 1,200 they served in 2009.

Community Home Performance has the potential to bring

those numbers back up, as well as preserve services for seniors and people with disabilities, officials said.

CEP's priority is to connect people with smaller budgets to energy and home health upgrades, something unusual in that field. By collaborating with homeowners and businesses to plan long-term, clients guide the work according to their priorities and particular family needs.

For more information, call 503-284-6827 or visit CEP's website at communityenergyproject.org. CEP is located at 422 N.E. Alberta St.

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