

2016 Work! Hamilton County, IN Task Force. State of the county's workforce from the employer's perspective.

**136** employers representing **15,742 jobs,** March 2016.

## 59% of employers plan to expand workforce 2016-2019

## 52% of employers are challenged to fill existing vacancies



**55**%

face shortage of entry-level candidates

Only **25**<sup>%</sup> worry about retirement impact 2016-2021

Methods for training employees:

60% In-House

**57<sup>%</sup> Industry Conferences** 

46<sup>%</sup> On-Line

39<sup>%</sup> Self-Directed

Entry-level candidates lack what **hard** skills?

- 49<sup>%</sup> Critical/Analytical Thinking
- **39<sup>%</sup> Written Com**munications
- 23<sup>%</sup> English Language
- 20<sup>%</sup> Project Management

## Entry-level candidates lack what **soft** skills?

**61<sup>%</sup> Motivation** 

60<sup>%</sup> Dependability

45<sup>%</sup> Professionalism

41<sup>%</sup> Time Management

38<sup>%</sup> Interpersonal Skills

Supporting Employee Growth

- 74<sup>%</sup> Provide Entry-Level Training
- 76<sup>%</sup> Provide Middle-Level Training
- 60<sup>%</sup> Provide Upper Management Training



60% of employers believe a training program developed by Ivy Tech would be benefical

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Hamilton County, Indiana Workforce Study Hamilton County Business Intelligence Center, Hamilton County Economic Development Corporation and Hamilton County Tourism, Inc.



## "(Our) industry-specific applicants are lacking."

- Service Industry Employer

"There just does not seem to be enough bodies to fill all the vacant jobs in Hamilton County."

- Hospitality Industry Employer

"(We are) looking for niche skills, (the) pool is very small and competitive." - Professional, Scientific & Technical Services Employer

The Work! Hamilton County, IN Task Force is a collaboration of economic development, tourism, chamber and community leadership organizations meeting to understand the needs of the county's employers and to explore action plans for the future.

