

The Putting Experience to Work Program

With more older adults than ever looking for work during these challenging economic times, *The Putting Experience to Work Program* was developed by Experience Works and funded by the Walmart Foundation to help train mature adults for new careers.

- *The Putting Experience to Work Program* is being funded by a \$1.5 million grant from the Walmart Foundation (each of six participating market territories will receive \$250,000).
- The money will be used to train 600 to 800 job seekers between the ages of 50 and 62 who are low income, unemployed or underemployed.
- The goal is to assist qualified older adults learn new skills to help them get jobs in their communities. Program services will include: personal and skill assessments; skill development; job search training; stipends and supportive services; and employment lead development.
- *The Putting Experience to Work Program* is available in the following six market territories:

Greater El Dorado, Camden and Arkadelphia, Arkansas areas

Greater Tampa and St. Petersburg, Florida areas

Greater Springfield and Branson, Missouri areas

Greater Columbia and Jefferson City, Missouri areas

Greater Albany and Saratoga, New York areas

Greater Meadville and Titusville, Pennsylvania areas

- **Experience Works**, a national nonprofit organization that helps older adults get the training they need to obtain good jobs, has identified employment skills that are in demand in each of the participating communities.

For more information about the free program, visit www.experienceworks.org, or to learn more about the program criteria, contact Jo Rinehart, Experience Works, at 1-866-397-9757. To learn more about the Walmart Foundation, please visit www.walmartfoundation.org.