

CUTLINE: Local women were invited to participate in a Dress for Success event coordinated by Ohio Means Jobs Highland County, Southern State Community College, and the Highland County Chamber of Commerce. (Photo provided by Highland County Chamber of Commerce)

## **Local women invited to Dress for Success**

Danielle Luman. Community volunteers were recruited to assist the women in selecting clothing while industry volunteers assisted in preparing participants for the reality of the job search.

“The participants felt great and left with a self-confidence that they did not have when they first walked in the door,” said Amanda Thompson, Assistant Registrar at Southern State, who was among the volunteers assisting in apparel selection. “I’m not sure who was more excited when we left, the participants or those of us who volunteered. Either way, it was a great experience that will truly continue to make a positive impact on our local communities.”

Recognizing the unique needs of the clients served through the OMJ Highland County office, Thompson and Luman began planning the event months ago in hopes of more fully serving not only their clients but also those from neighboring agencies.