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## Apprenticeship Issuance

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**To:** Registered Apprenticeship Sponsors and General Public  
**From:** Lara Thomas, Director  
**Date:** July 30, 2025  
**Subject:** **GROW apprenticeship grants** FY26 Availability and Deadline

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**Purpose:** To provide notice of the availability of and deadline to apply for funding for Fiscal Year 2026 through the *Grants for Registered Apprenticeship Opportunities in the Workforce (GROW)*

**Information Notice:** On July 30, 2025, the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (EOLWD) issued a Request for Response for funding available through the *Grants for Registered Apprenticeship Opportunities in the Workforce (GROW) RFR*.

**The Priority deadline for funding for Fiscal Year 2026 is 3 PM EST on Wednesday, September 17, 2025.**

The Request for Response seeks applications for funding for:

- **GROW Expansion Industry Apprenticeship.**
- **GROW Construction & Building Trades Inclusion Apprenticeship**
- **GROW Innovation Grants**
- **GROW Pre-Apprenticeship Training and Services**
- **GROW Planning Grants**

**Early Childhood Educator (ECE) Programs**, please note that we will be conducting a separate process to fund ECE Program with an RFR expected to be released no later than October 15, 2025.

All applications for funding can be submitted through COMMBUYS for consideration. Please use the following link for more information and to access the grant opportunity: [DAS Grants for Registered Apprenticeship Opportunities in the Workforce \(GROW\)](#)

Virtual Information Session and Live Q&A session will be held on **August 26, 2025, at 11am** and can be accessed [at this link](#).