



Workforce Issuance

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To: Chief Elected Officials
MassHire Workforce Board Chairs
MassHire Workforce Board Directors
MassHire Career Center Directors
MassHire Fiscal Officers
MDCS Operations Managers

cc: WIOA State Partners

From: Alice Sweeney, Director
MassHire Department of Career Services

Date: October 9, 2020

Subject: **H-1B One Workforce Grant Program Funding Opportunity**

Purpose: To notify MassHire Workforce Boards, MassHire Career Center Operators and other local workforce partners that the Department of Labor (DOL) Employment and Training Administration (ETA) has announced the H-1B One Workforce Grant Program, FOA-ETA-20-13, and approximately \$150 million in grant funds. The purpose of this funding opportunity is to encourage applicants to develop replicable, comprehensive workforce strategies for preparing the workforce for middle-to high-skilled H-1B occupations within key sectors, such as Information Technology (IT), advanced manufacturing, and transportation that are being transformed by technological advancements and automation.

Background: Under this FOA, applicants will form public-private partnerships to engage industry through sector partnerships to develop and deploy innovative workforce solutions to address common workforce challenges. With this funding, ETA will support the IT/cybersecurity, advanced manufacturing, and transportation sectors to upskill its present workforce and train a new generation of workers to build a pipeline for the future workforce.

Funding Opportunity Number:	FOA-ETA-20-13
Application Deadline:	November 12, 2020
Estimated Total Funding:	\$150,000,000
Anticipated # of Awards:	15 - 30
Award Ranges:	\$500,000 - \$10,000,000
Period Performance:	48 Months
Eligible Applicants:	Businesses, business-related nonprofit organizations, such as industry and trade associations, and organizations functioning as a workforce intermediary for the express purpose of serving the needs of an industry; Education and training providers, including community colleges, other community-based organizations, and for-profit educational and training institutions; Entities involved in administering the public workforce system established under WIOA; and Economic development agencies

Action

Requested: Please share with managers, staff, and partners as appropriate.

Attachment: FOA-ETA-20-13 / H-1B One Workforce Grant Program Funding Opportunity