

# CITY OF PHOENIX



## PROCLAMATION

National Youth Apprenticeship Week celebrates the vital role Registered Apprenticeships provide in creating opportunities for youth, ages 16-24, by allowing workers to earn while they learn. Preparing career pathways to well-paying, sustainable careers is a top priority for the City of Phoenix and nationwide.

Registered Apprenticeship programs enable employers in Phoenix to develop and train their future workforce while offering career seekers affordable paths to secure high-paying jobs. Apprenticeships help bridge the skills gap, reduce the youth unemployment rate, and meet the demands of ever-evolving industries in Phoenix, benefiting both our youth and our employers.

The City of Phoenix recognizes the role of Registered Apprenticeships in expanding opportunities for youth to become apprentices, allowing young people to earn competitive wages while gaining training and experience that will launch their careers and contribute to America's industries. Currently, over 1,600 participants between the ages of 16-24 are enrolled in registered apprenticeships in Phoenix, illustrating the significant impact these programs have on youth employment and skill development.

On April 18, 2024, the City of Phoenix had the honor of enrolling participants in an apprenticeship cohort with the Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company (TSMC), a prime example of the success of youth apprenticeships. This cohort, which included three youth participants, is a testament to the vital work experience and training that apprenticeships offer, leading to significant career opportunities.

The City of Phoenix supports and recognizes that Registered Apprenticeships are a proven and industry-driven training model that creates a sustainable pipeline of skilled and diverse talent while training and building up our workforce to address businesses' pressing needs for a growing workforce.

NOW, THEREFORE I, KATE GALLEGO, Mayor of the City of Phoenix, Arizona in accordance with the law, do hereby proclaim May 5th - 11th, 2024, as

### **NATIONAL YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP WEEK**

in the City of Phoenix and urge all Phoenicians to appreciate and celebrate the rewarding benefits this job path brings to individuals, businesses, and the economy.



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Mayor Kate Gallego  
City of Phoenix