## **Apprenticeship Intermediary Contract Award Summaries**

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## **National Industry Partners**

## **AFL-CIO Working for America Institute**

## Advanced Manufacturing and Hospitality

The AFL-CIO Working for America Institute (WAI) will implement a program to expand multi-employer apprenticeship programs in the high growth sectors of manufacturing and hospitality - through the "National Advanced Manufacturing Apprenticeship Initiative" and the "National Hotel, Hospitality and Culinary Apprenticeship Initiative." These initiatives will be national in scope and leverage a national network of unions, employers, industry focused sector partnerships and joint labor management partnerships. The WAI has secured partnership commitments from the hotel workers union, UNITE HERE, as well as the AFL-CIO Industrial Union Council made up of 12 unions including the Machinists, Steelworkers and Autoworkers unions. These partners will ensure that apprenticeship expansion efforts meet industry needs for skilled workers and provide solid career pathways and good jobs. Program partners will provide access to a national network of employers in the hospitality and manufacturing sectors. Through the project, the AFL-CIO and its partners will develop informational materials and reach out to over 400 employers to inform them about the advantages of registered apprenticeship for enhancing firm productivity and increasing skill levels for both entry level and incumbent workers.