### Pennsylvania ATO – ABA Abstract

#### **ABSTRACT**

Apprenticeship Building America (ABA) Grant Program	
<b>Lead Applicant / Organization Name:</b>	Pennsylvania Apprenticeship and Training Office
	(ATO)
Lead Applicant Entity Type:	State Apprenticeship Agency
<b>Lead Applicant City and State:</b>	Harrisburg, PA

**Grant Category #1:** State Apprenticeship System Building and Modernization

Project Title: Creating a Culture of Apprenticeship within PA's Workforce System

**Funding Amount Requested:** \$4,000,000

Applicants Geographic Scope of Proposal: Statewide

# Total Number of apprentices enrolled in RAPs during the life of the grant:

At least 400 apprentices enrolled, and at least 400 pre-apprentices provided with support services.

**Populations to be Served:** At least half of apprentices supported will be from target populations including women, minorities, veterans, ex-offenders, and youth (ages 16-24).

**Required Partners:** None required for Grant Category #1 since SAA is lead applicant.

**Optional Partners**: Keystone Development Partnership (KDP), Workforce Intermediary

**Project Purpose:** The overall goals of the proposal are to help embed a focus on apprenticeship within the PA's workforce system and catalyze CTC-led Pre—RA to RA career pathways.

**List of credentials to be awarded:** Various industry-recognized credentials depending on occupation.

## **SUMMARY OF PROGRAM ACTIVITIES**

In order to help speed the growth of PA's apprenticeship ecosystem, the ATO will:

- Help local workforce areas develop, enhance, and implement strategic plans to expand registered apprenticeship (RA) and pre-apprenticeship (Pre-RA) in their regions.
- Build apprenticeship-related skills of workforce board and PA CareerLink® staff, including how to leverage WIOA funds to support apprentices.
- Help Career & Technology Centers (CTCs) build Pre-RA programs that are linked to local RA programs.
- Provide funding and other support to RA and Pre-RA participants.

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