

Grant Project Descriptions

Wisconsin Regional Training Partnership, Inc., Milwaukee, WI

Organization Type: Industry Association (Industry Intermediary)

Project Name: *Wisconsin Industrial Joint Apprenticeship Committee (WIJAC)*

Award Amount: \$1,998,251

Target H-1B Industry Sector(s): Advanced Manufacturing and Industrial Utilities

Target H-1B Occupations: Multiple occupations including Cybersecurity Focus on Cybersecurity in Advanced Manufacturing

Credential(s) Awarded: Journey Worker, Academic credit, Industry Certifications

New or Existing Apprenticeship Program: Both existing and new Registered Apprenticeship Programs

Cybersecurity and AI: Cybersecurity

Summary of Apprenticeship Program Activities: Wisconsin Regional Training Partnership, Inc. is awarded \$1,998,251 for *The Wisconsin Industrial Joint Apprenticeship Committee (WIJAC)* project to implement a statewide, innovative program that establishes a multi-employer Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee supporting the Industrial sector (both Advanced Manufacturing & Utilities). This innovative, multi-employer Joint Apprenticeship Committee (JAC) will engage over 300 Wisconsin employers, including Ataco Steel Products Corporation, John Deere, Weldall and Harley-Davidson Motor Company. Program activities will focus on the creation of the multi-employer JAC and enrolling their current and future workforce in Registered Apprenticeship (RA), which will create opportunities for a wide range of employers (from large to small) to participate in apprenticeships in multiple occupations. As an industry-led JAC, it will also gather industry needs to develop or revise new RA programs, particularly focused on advanced technology and cyber-security needs. The program will provide services to incumbent workers as well as unemployed and underemployed new hires located across the state of Wisconsin including those in Opportunity Zones.

Geographic Scope: Statewide

Service Area: Statewide

Opportunity Zone: Yes

Proposed Number of Apprentices Served: 1,600

Target Population: WIJAC will serve incumbent workers, unemployed, underemployed. Outreach will prioritize veterans/transitioning military/military spouses. It will also encourage enrollment of women, people of color and those with re-entry backgrounds to the WIJAC project.

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