

Self Sufficiency Fund





Purpose and Goal

Provide training for targeted employment opportunities primarily for adult recipients of TANF and SNAP and others at risk of becoming dependent on public assistance.

The goal is to help participants receive occupational skills and industry recognized certifications leading to an occupation which allows them to become and remain independent of public assistance.



Eligible Grant Recipients

- Nonprofit 501(c)(3) Community-Based Organizations
- Public community or technical colleges
- Texas Engineering Extension Service (TEEX)
- State Extension Service



Eligible Participants

- Adult recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Programs (SNAP)
- Individuals earning less than \$37k/year with a dependent child (custodial or non-custodial)
- Other individuals at risk of dependence on public assistance



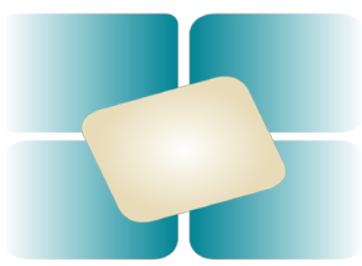
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Targeted Industry Clusters

- Advanced Technologies and Manufacturing
- Aerospace and Defense
- Biotechnology and Life Sciences
- Information and Computer Technology
- Petroleum Refining and Chemical Products
- Energy



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PARTNERSHIPS





Business Partners

Private for profit business, private non-profit hospitals

- Provide a letter of support
 - (required certifications, job skills, number of job openings)
- Use WorkinTexas.com for posting employment opportunities

Workforce Solutions Offices

- Provide Referrals
- Assist with screening and identifying eligible participants
- Determine trainee eligibility
- Leverage resources by providing support to participants and grantee



Texas Workforce Commission Project Development Team

- Assist project partners throughout the design and application phase
- Connect employers with applicants and Workforce Solutions partners
- Provide technical assistance and guidance
- Conduct preliminary reviews of proposals



Eligible Applicants

- Identify industries workforce needs
- Develops curriculum and training plan
- Collaborates with local Workforce Boards
- Coordinates and delivers training
- Provide job placement assistance to participants

FUNDING & SUPPORT SERVICES





Grant Information

- Target cost per trainee \$2,100
- Applicant may receive up to \$500,000
- Typical contract duration is 12-months
- Up to 15% allowed for administrative for expenses

Allowable Costs and Support Services

- Curriculum development, tuition and certification fees, instructor wages
- Training materials and consumable supplies
- Support services to assist participants
 - (bus passes, gas cards, work clothing and tools)
- Leveraged with other resources provided by project partners

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