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IOWA EMPLOYER INNOVATION PROGRAM ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

The Iowa Employer Innovation Program is now accepting applications. The Fund was established during the 2018 Legislative Session by [HF 2458](#) (Future Ready Iowa Act). The Iowa Department of Workforce Development (IWD) received a FY 2020 General Fund appropriation of \$1.2 million for the Fund with the 2019 Legislative Session enactment of [SF 608](#) (FY 2020 Economic Development Appropriations Act).

The funding is to be used for the Iowa Employer Innovation Program that matches eligible employer moneys to expand opportunities for education and training leading to high-demand jobs, the encouragement of leadership and support for regional workforce talent pools throughout the State, and for Future Ready Iowa education and outreach.

Eligible applicants include employers, employer consortiums, and community organizations. Applications must be submitted through IowaGrants.gov by August 1, 2019. Awardees will be notified by September 1, 2019. Additional information can be found at www.futurereadyiowa.gov/innovation.

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