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REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM GRANT AWARDS — JULY 2022

Summary. On July 13, 2022, the Iowa Department of Workforce Development announced grant awards totaling \$3.6 million for the creation and expansion of registered apprenticeship programs.

Background. The Iowa Apprenticeship Act that was created in 2014 Iowa Acts, [chapter 1132](#), and found in [Iowa Code chapter 15B](#), provides annual funding to support existing registered apprenticeship programs. Additionally, to qualify for funding, the apprenticeship program must be registered with the [United States Department of Labor Office of Apprenticeship](#) and the program must provide a minimum of 100 in-person contact hours. The amount of funding available for each apprenticeship program is based on the applicant's proportionate share of the statewide total of qualified registered apprentices participating in a qualified registered apprenticeship program.

The Future Ready Iowa Registered Apprenticeship Development Fund that was created in 2020 Iowa Acts, [chapter 1117](#), and found in [Iowa Code chapter 15C](#), provides annual funding for new registered apprenticeship programs that serve high-demand career fields. The funding for these programs is available on an annual basis. In addition to new registered apprenticeship programs, registered apprenticeship programs that add an eligible high-demand program would be eligible for funds under Iowa Code chapter 15C.

Awards. A total of 57 apprenticeship programs received \$2.9 million in [funding under](#) Iowa Code chapter 15B to fund 5,891 apprentice positions. The apprenticeship programs [funded under](#) Iowa Code chapter 15C received a total of \$667,000 to fund 66 apprentice positions.

More Information. Additional information about registered apprenticeships can be found [here](#) or upon request.

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