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Applications now open for the Quality Pre-Apprenticeship Program Expansion Grant

DES MOINES - Iowa Workforce Development announced applications are now open for the Quality Pre-Apprenticeship Program Expansion grant, a funding opportunity that will support the expansion of Quality Pre-Apprenticeship programs. A Quality Pre-Apprenticeship is a program or set of strategies designed to prepare individuals to enter and succeed in a Registered Apprenticeship program. Applications must be submitted on www.iowaGrants.gov by April 9, 2021.

“Quality Pre-Apprenticeship programs prepare future apprentices by building skills that are essential to succeed in their entry-level Registered Apprenticeship,” said Director Beth Townsend, Iowa Workforce Development. “Completing a Registered Apprenticeship not only results in a nationally recognized credential, but it opens up a pathway to a rewarding, life-changing career in a high-demand field.”

The maximum award amount is \$20,400. Funds may be used for supportive services, staff time associated with the programs, and the creation of a curriculum for the Quality Pre-Apprenticeship program. Priority will be given to programs that focus on participants in areas such as healthcare, agriculture, industries affected by COVID-19, and underrepresented populations.

More information about the funding opportunity can be found on www.iowaGrants.gov.

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