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Workforce Investment  
Opportunity Act (WIOA)  
Funding for Registered  
Apprenticeship: Challenges  
and Opportunities



Interested in strengthening your skills when building partnerships with local workforce boards and connecting sponsors and employers with WIOA providers? The brief titled [Challenges and Opportunities for Expanding Registered Apprenticeship with Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act \(WIOA\) Title I: Findings from the American Apprenticeship Initiative \(AAI\) Evaluation](#) discusses the challenges that grantees receiving AAI funds experienced when trying to transition to WIOA funding to sustain programs that were created under AAI. The report uses these challenges to identify opportunities for encouraging local workforce development boards to support Registered Apprenticeship Programs with WIOA funds.

Resource

Case Study:  
Using WIOA Funds  
to Support  
Apprenticeship



The case study on the [Gulf Coast Workforce Development Board \(the Board\) and Adaptive Construction Solutions Inc.](#) demonstrates how a group of apprenticeship sponsor in Texas was able to partner with the local workforce board to leverage WIOA funds to support apprentice training. Through innovative partnership, the Board provides multiple supports for the sponsor and their apprentices and has resulted in the Gulf Coast Board being number one in Texas for the number of WIOA-eligible participants also enrolled in Registered Apprenticeship Programs. This case study includes promising practices that apprenticeship professionals can use to work with their own board.

Resource

Upcoming Webinar Topic:  
Increasing Diversity,  
Equity, Inclusion, and  
Accessibility in Registered  
Apprenticeship Programs



Join us for the September Network webinar, ***The Role of Apprenticeship Professionals in Increasing Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA) in Registered Apprenticeship Programs (RAPs)***, on Tuesday, September 19, from 2 to 3 p.m. ET. We will discuss the roles apprenticeship professionals can play in increasing DEIA in RAPs, from working with sponsors to embed DEIA in program development to connecting partners that can play a critical role in creating more inclusive and accessible experiences for apprentices. Participants will have time for questions and networking about challenges and successes related to this topic.

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