

**ABSTRACT: MINNESOTA APPRENTICESHIP INITIATIVE**

- I. Lead Applicant Name:** Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development
- II. Lead Applicant City/State:** St. Paul, Minnesota
- III. Primary Partnership Entities:**
  - a. Private Sector Entity: Enterprise Minnesota, *Business*
  - b. Public Sector Entities: Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development and Department of Labor and Industry, *Workforce Investment System State Agency and State Apprenticeship Agency*
- IV. Additional Key Partner(s):** Please see attached spreadsheet, consisting of 101 employers, 31 related instruction providers, and 18 apprenticeship support providers (non-profits, labor organizations, workforce service areas)
- V. Areas Served by Grant (by city, county, and state):** State: Minnesota
- VI. Total Funding Level Requested:** \$5,000,000.00
- VII. Project Name:** Minnesota Apprenticeship Initiative
- VIII. Summary of Program Activities:** This demand-driven model is led by more than 100 employer partners and will bring more than 800 individuals into newly registered apprenticeships in 29 different high-growth occupations spanning five industries. With over 100 employers committed to a sustainable model. Activities include outreach and recruitment, co-enrolled program intake, assessment, adult basic education where necessary, wrap-around support services where needed, and on-the-job and industry-recognized, credentialed training. Incumbent workers who enter apprenticeships will be able to access supportive services, career guidance and life skills coaching and counseling.
- IX. Number of Individuals to be Served:** 814 into apprenticeships
- X. Populations to be Served:** Unemployed individuals and incumbent workers, targeting individuals identifying with minority groups, women, and veterans.
- XI. Targeted (H-1B) Industry(ies)/Occupations:** Agriculture, Advanced Manufacturing, Healthcare; Information Technology (IT), Transportation

- XII. Contact Information for each partner:** Please see attached tables and letters of commitment for contact information the 101 employer partners, 31 related instruction providers, and 18 apprenticeship support providers (Workforce Service Areas, community-based organizations, non-profits, and labor organizations)
- XIII. Public Contact Information:** Annie Welch, Workforce Development Division Manager of Policy and Performance, Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development, (651) 259-7525, [Annie.Welch@state.mn.us](mailto:Annie.Welch@state.mn.us).