National Dislocated Worker Grants

WORKFORCE OPPORTUNITY FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES (WORC IV)

<u>Appalachian Regional Commission and Delta Regional Authority (ARC - DRA)</u> <u>Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA-ETA-22-13)</u>

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Area to be Served: Carter, Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi, and Washington Counties

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Strengthening the Industrial Control Systems Workforce in Northeast Tennessee (StICS)

The goal of the WORC grants is to create economic prosperity and gainful employment opportunities for eligible residents in impacted ARC and DRA regions, enabling them to remain and thrive in these communities.

Northeast State Community College's StICS initiative is a collaborative workforce development initiative between higher education, industry, community partners, and the Northeast Tennessee Local Workforce Development Board. The project is designed to (1) establish an educational pathway leading to high quality jobs in Industrial Control Systems (ICS) with family sustaining wages; (2) host ICS targeted career outreach events for populations that are underrepresented in technology fields; and (3) promote cultural change within the NeSCC Technologies division to create a more supportive learning environment for women.

