## National Dislocated Worker Grants

## WORKFORCE OPPORTUNITY FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES (WORC II)

<u>Appalachian Regional Commission and Delta Regional Authority (ARC - DRA)</u>
<u>Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA-ETA-20-04)</u>



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## Demand-Driven Civilian Career Pathways for Southeast Louisiana Veterans

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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. NextOp seeks to strengthen and create direct training-to-employer pathways for veterans and military talent in Southeast Louisiana, with the goal of expanding further into the Delta region.

Through its formal relationships with regional training providers, the project plans to maximize veterans' transferable skills and experience, which are able to withstand economic disruptions, such as the coronavirus. New relationships will be created with regional employers. This project is a regionally driven, comprehensive approach to the workforce development of the Delta region's veterans, designed to meet employer demand and place veterans into resilient career pathways.



