Stanislaus County

Manufacturing Talent Development Grant

Info Session - 8.7.25





WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



STANISLAUS 2030

A public-private partnership that advances a shared vision for economic prosperity for all.

AGENDA

Welcome

Overview of Grant

How to Apply

Evaluation Criteria

Q&A

Please add questions to the chat. We will address questions at the end of the presentation.

Total available funding: \$1.11M, \$50,000-\$195,000 per project

Purpose: Strengthen the local manufacturing workforce ecosystem

Educational institutions, nonprofits, school districts in Stanislaus County

Projects must be carried out within Stanislaus County

Technical Assistance will be provided to awarded grantees

GRANT OVERVIEW

This grant program is supported by American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding from Stanislaus County.



ARPA funding prioritizes lowincome communities that were disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.



These funds are intended to support long-term economic recovery and inclusive growth for communities and small businesses, especially in highly impacted areas.

KEY FOCUS AREAS THAT THE GRANT WILL FUND

Develop or expand workbased learning, preapprenticeships, and apprenticeships

Create feedback loops across education, training, and employers Forge cross-sector partnerships to drive workforce and economic growth

Provide job seekers with clear information about manufacturing career pathways

PRIORITY OCCUPATIONS IN THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR

NAICS 31–33: Manufacturing Sector



Focus on occupations that transform raw materials into finished goods



Examples: Machine Operators,
Assembly Supervisors, QA/QC
Inspectors



Related fields (e.g., HVAC, electricians) may be eligible with demonstrated overlap and employer demand

GRANT GOALS

GRANT PRIORITIES



Increase On-the-Job Training & Work-Based Learning



Strong Employer Partnershipswith Clear Commitments



Align Career Pathways and Stackable Credentials with Industry Demand



Employer Adoption of Industry- Recognized Skills and Credentials



Establish Regional Competency and Credential Models



Connecting Local Talent to Regional Manufacturing Jobs



Increase Community Awareness and Access to Manufacturing Careers



Strategic Collaboration with Education/Training Providers and CBOs

RESOURCES

- Stanislaus 2030 Investment Plan
- Stanislaus 2030 Talent Development

 Manufacturing Plan

KEY DATES

Deadline for Questions: Award Notifications: All funds spent by: October 2026 Friday, August 22 **Week of October 6 Grant Start Date: Application Due:**

Friday, September 19 at 5PM

~October 27

HOW TO APPLY



Application Deadline: Friday, Sept 19, 2025 at 5PM

Complete the online form and submit via provided link



Use of Al tools allowed, but content must reflect your own work



Provide narrative responses and attachments

- Project plan (1,000 words max)
- Organizational experience (500 words max)
- Letters of support
- Budget narrative + spreadsheet

APPLICATIONS WILL BE EVALUATED ON:



Q&A

REMAINING QUESTIONS?

Email SCWDgrants@stanworkforce.com by August 22nd