2021 PA Industry Partnership Grantees

AgConnect

\$160,000

Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton, and Philadelphia

AgConnect will use its grant funding to expand its employer base to engage a broader and more diverse representation of the industry in the region. AgConnect will convene discovery meetings to align job seeker and employer priorities and will establish employer champions to drive programming and industry sector solutions. Their training plan for industry employees includes training for 186 spots.

Collar County Emergency Medical Services

\$75,000

Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery

This new partnership will use its grant funding to engage Emergency Medical Services (EMS) employers from Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery counties to identify shared needs that can be supported by education, workforce development, economic development, or community-based resources.

Healthcare Industry Partnership

\$250,000

Allegheny

The partnership will use its grant to fund staff time toward Healthcare Industry Partnership convenings, partnership recruitment, program planning/implementation, and to subsidize on-the-job training for related Medical Assistant healthcare occupations.

JARI All Industries Partnership

\$150,000

Cambria and Somerset

The partnership will use its grant to fund incumbent worker training, a health and safety conference, a youth conference, an annual job fair, co-op stipends for high school students, and industry tours for students and educators.

Lancaster Berks Construction Connection

\$55,556

Berks, Dauphin, Lancaster, and Lebanon

Lancaster Berks Construction Connection will use its grant to develop a robust worker recruitment website for the construction industry with an emphasis on diversity, equity and inclusion. Funding will also be used to develop video content promoting the construction industry and to plan community events and school presentations showcasing career opportunities within construction.

North Central PA Healthcare and Social Assistance Industry Partnership

\$247,940

Cameron, Clearfield, Elk, Jefferson, McKean, and Potter

The partnership will use its grant to fund employee recruitment and retention initiatives and skills training for employers to increase the skills of the current workforce.

North Central PA Manufacturing and Building Construction Industry Partnership

Cameron, Elk, Jefferson, McKean, and Potter

The partnership will use its grant to fund employee recruitment and retention initiatives and skills training for the current workforce.

Northeast Regional Healthcare Industry Partnership

\$106,111

\$250,000

Bradford, Carbon, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Tioga, Wayne, and Wyoming

The partnership will use its grant funding to meet career awareness, readiness, recruitment and retention goals. Specific initiatives include hosting career events and activities, creating healthcare career guides, expanding work-based opportunities for youth, identifying short-term industry certifications for incumbent worker and new hires, and exploring non-traditional training models for healthcare, such as apprenticeships.

Pennsylvania Cybersecurity Center

\$250,000

Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Forest, Lawrence, Mercer, Venango, and Warren

The program will use its grant funding for recruitment and exposure to the industry, curriculum, and placements.

PA Steel Alliance

\$250,000

Allegheny, Beaver, Fayette, Greene, Washington, and Westmoreland

The Pennsylvania Steel Alliance will use its grant funding to align workforce, education and economic development partners with steel industry business and labor leaders. The Steel Alliance is interested in supporting training and appropriate credential attainment with wage increases, talent recruitment, diversity, equity and inclusion, increased career and industry policy awareness, as well as networking and collaboration on a regional and statewide level. Business priorities for the Alliance include: market protection from illegal foreign steel, maintaining the Pennsylvania Procurement Act and promoting workforce development.

Philadelphia Region Hospitality and Entertainment Industry Partnership (HE&EIP)

\$175,000

Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia

The partnership will use its grant funding for various activities related to workforce development, including training, recruiting, marketing, supportive services, and contracting.

Project Jumpstart

\$231,004

Adams, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Juniata, Lancaster, Lebanon, Perry, and York

Project Jumpstart will use its grant funding for workforce development activities, including website creation, K-12 outreach, match-making events between schools and industries, career pathways, entrepreneurial engagement, and strategic planning.

South Central Manufacturing Industry Partnership

\$250,000

Adams, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lebanon, Perry, and York

Goals of the partnership include driving more individuals into manufacturing career pathways, changing the image of the industry, creating innovative programs in training and outreach, and providing high skill technical incumbent worker training to provide the credentials and certificates for the modern manufacturing workforce.

South Central PA Agribusiness Industry and

Education Collaborative: The Giant Company

Regional Initiative

Adams, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Huntingdon, Juniata, Lancaster, Lebanon, Mifflin, Perry, Snyder, and York

The collaborative will use its grant funding to expand the front-line leadership certificate program to reach a broader range of occupations within grocery retail and food manufacturing and to modify the program for use within the transportation and warehousing industry. Other plans include adoption of a shared reskilling program plan that streamlines the ability of employers within the grocery retail and food manufacturing sectors to recruit dislocated and underserved workers for high-priority occupations.

Southeastern Pennsylvania Manufacturing Alliance (SEPMA)

\$200,000

\$250,000

Bucks, Montgomery, and Philadelphia

The alliance will use its grant funding for recruitment, training, developing a pipeline of diverse workers, and workshops for business growth activities.

Southeastern Pennsylvania Regional Logistics and Transportation Industry Partnership (SEPAR L&T-IP)

\$200,000

Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia

The partnership will use its grant funding to recruit companies and educational training organizations from across the region to participate in transportation, distribution, and logistics industry partnership; to conduct a comprehensive, partnership-wide needs assessment and equity analysis; to devise a sustainability plan that will provide ongoing funding for the partnership; and to evaluate partnership effectiveness.

\$144,000

Southwest Corner Advanced Manufacturing
Next-Gen Sector Partnership

Beaver, Greene, and Washington

The partnership will use its grant funding for diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives to reach underrepresented populations in the manufacturing sector. Other plans include business and education roundtable events, manufacturing career promotion and incumbent worker training.

Southwest Corner Building and Construction Next-Gen Sector Partnership

\$250,000

Beaver, Greene, and Washington

The partnership will use its grant funding for diversity, equity and inclusion initiatives to reach underrepresented populations in the construction sector. Other plans include business and education roundtable events, construction career promotion and incumbent worker training.

Southwest Corner Healthcare Industry Partnership

\$100,000

Beaver, Greene, and Washington

The partnership will use its grant funding for workforce training; diversity, equity, and inclusion training for employers; community and school outreach activities; and contracting out project evaluation.

Technology Industry Partnership

\$250,000

Allegheny

The partnership will use its grant funding for Technology Industry Partnership convenings, partnership recruitment, program planning/implementation and Pittsburgh Technology Council contracted services. The grant will also be used to fund 15 participants in the Per Scholas Tech training program.

The Innovative Technology Action Group (ITAG) \$250,000

Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia

The group will use its grant funding for employer outreach, events for tech education, incumbent worker training, youth career exploration activities, and targeted support for newly formed companies.

Tri-County Health Care Industry Partnership \$175,000

Armstrong, Butler, and Indiana

The partnership will use its grant funding for training, recognition, recruitment, and coordination.

Tri-County Manufacturing Industry Partnership \$175,000

Armstrong, Butler, and Indiana

The partnership will use its grant funding for training, scholarships, recruitment, and coordination.

Tri-County Technology Industry Partnership \$55,000

Armstrong, Butler, and Indiana

The partnership will use its grant funding for training, scholarships, career pathways, and coordination.

Westmoreland-Fayette Healthcare Industry \$137,044.50 Partnership

Fayette, Westmoreland

The partnership will use its grant to convene industry partners for employer seminars and workshops to address best practices, DEI (diversity, equity, inclusion) training, and opportunities to connect with training services and resources to address major industry needs.

Westmoreland-Fayette Manufacturing Industry \$142,444.50 Partnership

Fayette and Westmoreland

The partnership will use its grant to convene industry partners for employer seminars and workshops to address best practices, DEI (diversity, equity, inclusion) training, curriculum development, and helping industry partners attend valuable career fair and local manufacturing events.