

## Reimagining the Delta Workforce Capacity Building and Technical Assistance Fund 2014 Awards



Alabama	Multi-layered analysis of current and projected education: Development of a comprehensive report that includes an executive summary, detailed synthesis of data with appropriate graphical and narrative elements, and data-driven recommendations for improving existing workforce development, training, and GED preparation programs and services for key workforce populations including young adults, dislocated workers, veterans, ex-offenders, and/or Native Americans.	Choctaw Clarke Conecuh Escambia Monroe Washington	\$150,000
Alabama	Reinventing career readiness for future success: Southwest Alabama Workforce Development Council will provide career readiness training sessions for the unemployed and underemployed. The ACT WorkKeys curriculum will be used in training sessions, which will primarily focus on soft skills to ensure that participants are productive and successful in the workplace. The four-week career readiness training sessions curriculum consists of applied mathematics, locating information, reading locations, work ethics, team work, time management, interpersonal/communication skills, interviewing skills/Dress for Success, resume writing, job search techniques, and financial management.	Choctaw Greene Hale Perry Sumter	\$149,590
Kentucky	WorkReady Communities: Communities will work with Jobs for the Future (JFF), a nationally-recognized technical assistance provider, to hold county- and region-wide workforce development system planning sessions ending with a strategic plan to advance the productivity and economic competitiveness of the countys' workforce. This outcome will also support the two counties in moving from Commonwealth of Kentucky Work Ready Communities in Progress to Work Ready Communities.	Union Webster	\$100,000



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Louisiana	Career Pathways Program: The Career Pathways Program will be implemented in local high schools through workforce developer TangiConnect, mentoring second-term juniors, examine local career opportunities, and gain the prerequisite soft skills needed to pursue employment in surrounding parishes.	St. Helena Tangipahoa Washington	\$150,000
Louisiana	Building a Certified Work Ready Region in Central Louisiana: Central Louisiana Economic Development Alliance will create a Certified Work Ready Communities region in Central Louisiana and Adams County, Mississippi. Certification of the workforce will strengthen the workforce skills of the region, document those skills, align workforce skills with employer needs, and give the region a competitive economic edge based on local advantages.	Adams (MS) Avoyelles Catahoula Concordia Grant LaSalle Natchitoches Rapides Winn	\$150,000
Mississippi	Workforce Development-Miss Lou Region: Adams County and Concordia Parish will partner with WIN Job Centers and technical and community colleges to assess skills of workforce, aptitude and training needs to prepare counties and parishes to become Work Ready Communities.	Adams Concordia (LA)	\$73,000
Missouri	Meramec Community Enhancement Corporation will implement the approved ACT Certified Work Ready Communities plans in each of the four counties: Crawford, Dent, Phelps and Washington in Missouri. Increase numbers of National Career Readiness Certificate holders by 250 and Employer Partnerships in each county to meet Certified Work Ready Community goals.	Crawford Dent Phelps Washington	\$128,460
Missouri	The Keys to Success: Three-pronged to identify new strategies for the southeast Missouri region to appeal to younger students in career exploration efforts, assist regional businesses in workforce recruitment and retention efforts, and to plan for an emerging challenge in information technology positions in area companies needing a highly trained workforce in a mostly rural region.	Butler Cape Girardeau Scott Stoddard	\$148,000



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Townsesses	Worldongs Davidson and Harris J. Carrie		
Tennessee	Workforce Development-Haywood County: The City of Brownsville and The Town of Stanton, TN will become certified as ACT Work Ready Communities and use this nationally based process to guide their workforce development efforts. The process of becoming an ACT Certified Work Ready Community will ensure that business and industry leaders know what skills are needed for a successful workforce and they can easily communicate those needs. Students, adults, and disconnected youth will learn what knowledge, skills, and abilities are required by employers and how to prepare for success.	Haywood	\$50,000
Tennessee	Solving the Skills Gap: will create a Manufacturing Council and conduct a MADE IN FAYETT COUNTY study to identify workforce needs and job projects with skills sets. This will connect Fayette County into the Memphis Regional Workforce Development plans to create a workforce development plan with strategic partners and to create Youth Workforce Development programs for Shelby and Fayette County.	Fayette Shelby	\$125,000
Tennessee	REDI/Tennessee Promise College Access Program: Southwest Tennessee Development District will be implementing the REDI/Tennessee Promise College Access Program to enhance the existing College Mentor Program that works with high school seniors in 19 high schools to connect them with learning opportunities and available skills training.	Chester Crockett Fayette Gibson Hardeman Haywood Madison McNairy Tipton	\$150,000
Tennessee	Training Northwest Tennessee's Laborforce: Dyersburg State Community College will work with the local workforce investment board to gain certification for its rural counties to become ACT Work Ready Communities and support the provision of National Career Readiness Certification to 3,000 Delta residents, profile 24 job opportunities available to northwest Tennessee residents, and train the local workforce development job profilers.	Benton Carroll Crockett Dyer Gibson Henry Lake Lauderdale Obion Tipton Weakley	\$150,000