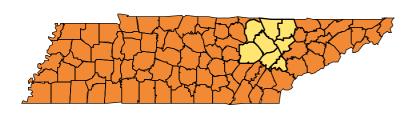
## National Dislocated Worker Grants

## WORKFORCE OPPORTUNITY FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES (WORC III)

<u>Appalachian Regional Commission and Delta Regional Authority (ARC - DRA)</u> <u>Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA-ETA-21-08)</u>

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Areas to be Served: Anderson, Campbell, Cumberland, Fentress, Loudon, Morgan, Roane and Scott counties.

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## Roane State Community College (RSCC)

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.

The Small Business and Entrepreneurship Center (SBEC) is designed to be a virtual center at RSCC to bring together all of the services provided to small businesses and entrepreneurs at RSCC, enhance those services, and to fill the gaps of missing services. The center was conceived prior to COVID-19, but its services are very needed today as the economy rebounds from the pandemic. The center will provide the infrastructure for participants to have access to a plethora of services and be guided through the selection of the services that best meet their needs. Partnerships will be developed and grown to enhance services and referrals, provide training and offer other components.

