

# Workforce Opportunity for Rural Communities (WORC) Grants

## Spartanburg Community College

Growing Real Opportunities and Workforce in Spartansburg and Cherokee Counties (GROWsc).

Counties served: Spartanburg & Cherokee

Period of Performance 09/30/19-09/30/22 	Approved Amount \$2,140,725 
Planned Participants 1337 	Target Population Dislocated Workers 

### Background

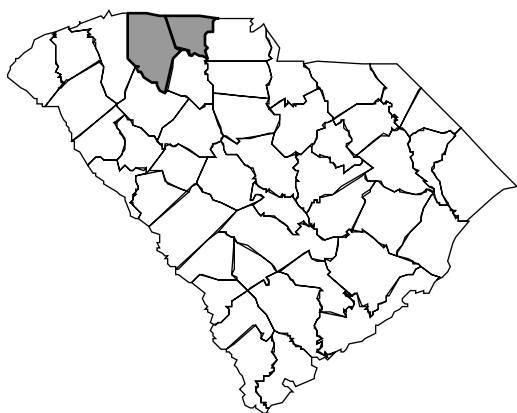
The Workforce Opportunity for Rural Communities (WORC) is an initiative of the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration (ETA) in partnership with the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) and Delta Regional Authority (DRA). The WORC initiative enables impacted communities to develop local and regional workforce development solutions aligned with existing economic development strategies and community partnerships to promote new, sustainable job opportunities and long-term economic vitality.

### Proposal Summary

GROWsc will increase the number of qualified applicants to fill high-demand workforce needs in Spartanburg and Cherokee Counties by adding resources to experiential learning initiatives at strategic points along the talent pipeline and strengthening services to assist the previously incarcerated, those with substance abuse disorder, and the economically disadvantaged with building high-demand technical skills, securing jobs, and retaining employment.

### Proposed Outcome

GROWsc will also expand experiential learning opportunities within the classroom by adding cutting-edge simulation equipment to be utilized by over 1,000 students in the healthcare, manufacturing, construction, and CDL truck driving departments. GROWsc will also create and strengthen services that address the unique employment barriers of the previously incarcerated, individuals with substance abuse disorder, and the economically disadvantaged.



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