

## News Release

# U.S. Department of Labor Awards Nearly \$24 Million in Grants For Job Corps Scholars Program for At-Risk Youth

**WASHINGTON, DC** – The U.S. Department of Labor today announced the awarding of 20 grants totaling nearly \$24 million as part of the Job Corps Scholars Program, a new national demonstration project aimed at providing at-risk youth with job skills instruction, educational opportunities and individualized employment counseling.

The grantees include accredited, two-year, public community colleges; accredited, public two- and four-year historically black colleges and universities (HBCU); and accredited tribally controlled colleges and universities (TCCU) that will serve Job Corps-eligible youth and young adults from 16 to 24 years of age.

"As we look towards defeating coronavirus and reopening our economy, the Job Corps Scholars Program provides an innovative way to prepare at-risk youth for participation in the job market," U.S. Secretary of Labor Eugene Scalia said. "Combining job training, classroom education, and employment counseling will give participating young adults an opportunity to excel."

"The Department of Labor is constantly searching for new and innovative ways to deliver our programs more effectively," said Assistant Secretary for Employment and Training John Pallasch. "The Scholars program will engage our community college, HBCU, and TCCU partners to provide more opportunities to young adults to access the training and instruction they need to be successful in today's job market."

Supported by the [Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act](#) of 2014 (Sec. 156(a) (29 U.S.C. 3193 (a)) and Sec. 189(c) (29 U.S.C. \_3249(c)), the Department expects grantees beginning in the fall semester of 2020 to provide the services throughout each student's participation in the 12-month career technical training component. Up to 12 months of employment counseling services will follow upon separation from the Job Corps Scholars Program.

Through this project and its other partnerships with accredited post-secondary educational institutions, Job Corps strengthens the connection between workforce development and education. This demonstration project will also provide the Department with insight into ways to improve the effectiveness of the Job Corps program. Additional details about the Job Corps Scholars Program, including how grantee performance outcomes are measured, are included in the [funding opportunity announcement](#).

The mission of the Department of Labor is to foster, promote and develop the welfare of the wage earners, job seekers and retirees of the United States; improve working conditions; advance opportunities for profitable employment; and assure work-related benefits and rights.

**Ed. Note:** A list of grantees follows this release.

<b>Applicant Legal Name</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Award</b>
Kern Community College District	Bakersfield	CA	\$1,186,900
Palm Beach State College	Lake Worth	FL	\$1,186,900
Broward College	Fort Lauderdale	FL	\$1,186,900
Northwest Florida State College	Niceville	FL	\$1,152,483
Atlanta Technical College	Atlanta	GA	\$1,186,900
Indian Hills Community College	Ottumwa	IA	\$1,186,900
Southern University at Shreveport	Shreveport	LA	\$1,186,900
C. S. Mott Community College	Flint	MI	\$1,183,878
Grand Rapids Community College	Grand Rapids	MI	\$1,186,900
St. Louis Community College	Bridgeton	MO	\$1,158,284
Central Carolina Community College	Sanford	NC	\$1,186,860
Vance Granville Community College	Henderson	NC	\$1,186,900
Winston-Salem State University	Winston-Salem	NC	\$1,186,900
Mohawk Valley Community College	Utica	NY	\$1,186,900

Lorain County Community College District	Elyria	OH	\$1,186,854
Terra State Community College	Fremont	OH	\$1,186,700
Chemeketa Community College District	Salem	OR	\$1,186,523
Clackamas Community College	Oregon City	OR	\$1,186,848
Lee College	Baytown	TX	\$1,182,574
Blue Ridge Community and Technical College	Martinsburg	WV	\$1,186,900

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