



UTAH SYSTEM OF
HIGHER EDUCATION

MEMORANDUM

TAB E

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The Utah Works Program 53B-33-108

The program, under the direction of Talent Ready Utah and the Talent, Education, and Industry Alignment Board, shall coordinate and partner with the entities to develop short-term pre-employment training and short-term early employment training for student and workforce participants that meet the needs of businesses that are creating jobs and economic growth in the state.

Programmatic Information:

The goal of the Utah Works Program is to develop workforce solutions with industry and train individuals looking to skill up quickly for improved employment opportunities.

Proposals are submitted to Talent Ready Utah on an on-going basis, that are scored and validated by a committee, which makes recommendations to the Talent Board to determine funding. Proposals must show an immediate regional employment need and strong partnerships between the institution and industry with a direct link to employment for program completers through these partnerships. Program lengths are short in nature and can be a portion of a full certificate or newly developed training.

Funding:

- \$4,850,500 of funding available
 - Goal of funding use is to have programs aligned with industry need and get participant placed
 - Students should receive training without incurring costs
- Funding to be used for:
 - Curriculum development
 - Marketing, outreach
 - Procurement of equipment and supplies
 - Covering the cost of instruction
 - Institutions can ask to cover FTE or tuition costs for students, but not both

Commissioner's Recommendation

This is an information item only; no action required.