

# Innovation Grants



Innovation Grants can fund projects that address local workforce development needs. Projects may provide skills training to individuals and/or assist individuals with connecting to careers. Applications are reviewed quarterly by the WDC Grant Review Committee.

## Funding

- Up to \$25,000 (higher amounts may be available for work-based learning initiatives)
- Applicants may apply for funding to serve more than one region, but the budget cannot exceed \$25,000 per region
- Applicant must provide a description of all leveraged resources (i.e. in-kind or cash match)
- Grant period: 1 year (up to 2 years for work-based learning projects (i.e. pre-apprenticeship, apprenticeship, internship, cooperative education))



## Covered Training Costs

- Skills training for individuals
- Career connection and outreach activities
- Work-based learning opportunities
- Classroom or virtual training
- Soft skill development

## Performance Metrics

- Number of individuals trained/impacted
- Number receiving credentials
- Number of employers involved
- Participant and employer satisfaction
- Additional metrics proposed by applicant

## Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be physically located in Idaho with fiscal capacity to manage funds
- Represent a community-based team with business, education, and community partners
- Address employer-identified skills gaps through new or enhanced training
- Provide training that doesn't compete with existing opportunities

## Apply & Learn More

For additional information, application details, current deadlines, or to view the full WDTF Policy, visit [wdc.idaho.gov/grants](https://wdc.idaho.gov/grants)

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