

**STATE BOARD OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES  
NC Apprenticeship Expansion Project**

The North Carolina Department of Commerce was awarded \$1,050,000 to fund the NC Apprenticeship Expansion Project; a partnership with the North Carolina Community College System that will leverage the existing state regional structures to expand apprenticeship opportunities in the industries of Manufacturing, Logistics/Transportation, Healthcare, and Information Technology. The project will seek to increase participation of individuals from underrepresented populations, build the State's capacity to expand registered apprenticeship opportunities, modernize information management technologies, and increase awareness of registered apprenticeship through major outreach efforts. The project will serve 1,500 apprentices throughout the life of the grant, with a focus on youth, incumbent workers, individuals with disabilities, minorities, economically disadvantaged, and women.

A total of \$97,000 will be sub-granted to the NC Community College System Office for a coordinator of Registered Apprenticeship College Consortium (RACC). This person will work on creating a handbook for colleges interested in joining the RACC and engaging industry about apprenticeship.