

Workforce Development funding is available for projects in Nevada that will develop a highly skilled, highly paid and diverse workforce. Workforce Innovations for a New Nevada (WINN) authorizes training providers to carry out programs in partnership with Nevada businesses.

Programs where businesses partner with authorized training providers to create high-wage and high-skill jobs may be eligible for an allocation, grant or loan of money to defray in whole or in part the cost of the program. Industry input must drive the program's development and create avenues for job placement.

**Eligible Training Providers** (Authorized) include:

- Institutions within NSHE
- Nonprofit organizations
- Labor organizations
- Private postsecondary educational institutions
- State or local agencies
- School districts
- Charter schools

**Eligible Program Costs:** Technical support to businesses partnering in program, publicity for program, instructional services, analysis of on-site training, costs relating to the rental of instructional facilities, including utilities and costs relating to the storage and transportation of equipment and supplies, administrative and personnel costs, and other costs deemed necessary to effectively carry out the program of workforce recruitment, assessment and training.

### **Application Process**

***GOED may assist businesses and/or prospective WINN applicants with all levels of project development and application completion.***

1. *Pre-Application:* Authorized providers may make a pre-application for funding at any time using the forms found on GOED's website. It is recommended that programs that have not included GOED in development start with this step to ensure the program is eligible for funding before proceeding to the full application.
2. *WINN Application:* Applications are due to GOED's Workforce Development Coordinator 30 days before the Board meeting the program wishes to be considered for. Applications must clearly outline the program design, the businesses involved, the number and types of jobs that are to be created and describe the cost of the proposed program. The application must also communicate the alignment with the State Plan for Economic Development, meaningful collaboration with workforce development partners and include a comprehensive workforce diversity action plan.
3. *Program Review:* Upon receipt of the Application, GOED's Workforce Development Program Coordinator will convene a Program Review meeting with the Training Provider and business partners to review the application, obtain any missing information and develop a program summary and schedule for performance. If all requirements are met, the program can proceed to the Approval stage.
4. *Board/Director Approval:* GOED's Director may review and approve programs that are requesting less than \$100,000 in funding, where the Board must review for approval all requests in excess of that threshold.

## **Requirements**

GOED will review, approve or disapprove applications within 60 days of submission (and up to an additional 45 days if the application includes a funding request), and will provide notice of approval or disapproval to the applicant within 10 days of its decision.

Successful applicants of WINN funding will be required to provide detailed reports to GOED, not less than quarterly, and to include outcomes such as numbers of persons trained, number of persons employed by participating business partners, average wages and progress in executing the workforce diversity action plan. Additional information may be required as determined by the Executive Director.

This is a summary only and may not include all program requirements. For detailed information on this program, please access: <https://www.leg.state.nv.us/nrs/NRS-231.html> or <http://www.diversifynevada.com/programs-resources/leap/winn>.