DEPARTMENT OF LABOR
Employment & Training Administration
Funding Opportunity Announcement
FOA-ETA-18-08

Amendment One

Scaling Apprenticeship Through Sector-Based Strategies

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor

ACTION: Amendment to FOA-ETA-18-08

SUMMARY: The Employment and Training Administration announced on July 18, 2018 the availability of approximately $150 million in grant funds for the **Scaling Apprenticeship Through Sector-Based Strategies** Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA), authorized by Section 414(c) of the American Competitiveness and Workforce Improvement Act of 1998. This amendment to the FOA modifies language from Section III.A.1, Section IV.B.4, and Appendix G, and provides information on when the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page will be available.

The document is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION III.A.1 ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

Amended Text (new language in bold):

Lead applicants must identify their institution type in Section 9 of the SF-424 Application for Federal Assistance. A lead applicant that is an IHE must submit documentation as an attachment verifying that it is an institution of higher education accredited by an agency that has been recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. **Additionally, a lead applicant that is an IHE must provide the names of IHE consortium members in the abstract. IHE a**pplicants that do not provide **both the** documentation **of their accreditation and the names of consortium members in the abstract** will be considered non-responsive.

SECTION IV.B.4 APPLICATION AND SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Required Attachments

Amended Text (new language in bold):

a. Abstract: You must submit an up to two-page abstract summarizing the proposed project, including, but not limited to, the scope of the project and proposed outcomes. Omission of the abstract will not result in your application being screened out; however, the lack of the required information in the abstract may impact scoring. See Section III.C.1. Application Screening Criteria for a list of items that will result in the screening out of your application. Include the following in the abstract (see Appendix G for suggested template):

1. lead applicant organization's name;
2. lead applicant entity type;
3. lead applicant city/state;
4. organization names and entity type of required partners;
5. organization names and entity type of optional partners;
6. proposed service areas where apprentices will be initially trained (economic region(s), cities, counties, and states);
7. total funding requested;
8. total matched funds;
9. project title/name;
10. summary of apprenticeship program activities and list of credentials to be awarded;
11. populations(s) to be served;
12. targeted H-1B industry sector;
13. targeted occupations(s) within H-1B industry sector; and
14. public contact information.
15. **If applying as an IHE representing a consortium of IHEs, provide the names of IHE consortium members**.

SECTION IV.B.4 APPLICATION AND SUBMISSION INFORMATION

Requested Attachments

Amended Text (new language in bold):

a. Documentation of Partnership Commitment: You will be scored on the documentation showing representation from at least one senior-level representative from each of the required entities, as described in Section III.A.3. Apprenticeship Partnership. This may include signed and dated Letters of Commitment or Memoranda of Understanding between the applicant and all required and optional partner organizations and/or sub-grantees that propose to provide services to support the program model and lead to the identified outcomes.

When submitting in grants.gov, these letters must be uploaded as an attachment to the application package and specifically labeled "Letters of Commitment." **This attachment does impact the scoring of the application.**

APPENDIX G: SUGGESTED ABSTRACT FORMAT

Amended Text (new language in bold):

Please feel free to tailor template as needed to fit your information.

SCALING APPRENTICESHIP THROUGH SECTOR-BASED STRATEGIES	
Lead Applicant Organization's Name:	
Lead Applicant Entity Type:	

Lead Applicant City/State:	

APPRENTICESHIP PARTNERSHIP

Required Partners:
This includes at least one high-level representative from private industry that represents the sector or industry in which the applicant is proposing to take apprenticeships to scale. This required private sector partner must consist of:

- One or more national industry/trade associations; or
- A consortium of at least five businesses representing an industry sector.

- IF one or more national industry/trade associations

Name of the national industry/trade association(s):	Industry Sector

- OR IF a consortium of at least five businesses representing an industry sector

Organization Names of Required Partners:	Entity Type	Industry Sector

Optional Partners:
These include organizations functioning as workforce intermediaries, such as workforce development boards, labor-management organizations, community-based organizations, and private non-profit service providers; other organizations to support outreach and training activities, such as: industry-led training organizations, industry intermediaries, unions, or non-profit educational organizations; Small Business Development Centers; American Job Centers; YouthBuild Programs; community organizations that provide
social support and/or wrap-around services; State Apprenticeship Agencies; foundations and philanthropic organizations; and Federally-funded programs.

Organization Names of Optional Partners:	Entity Type	Industry Sector
Proposed Service Areas: (where apprentices will initially be trained)		
Total Funding Requested:		

Total Matched Funds:	
Project Title/Name:	
Summary of Program Activities and List of Credentials to be Awarded:	
Targeted Population(s) to be Served:	
Targeted H-1B Industry Sector(s):	
Targeted Occupations within an H-1B industry sector:	
Public Contact Information:	Name, Title: Address: Phone Number: Email Address:
If applying as an IHE representing a consortium of IHEs, provide the names of IHE consortium members.	**The consortium members are:**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

The FAQ page will be available on-line no later than August 31, 2018 at https://www.doleta.gov/grants/find_grants.cfm, under the Scaling Apprenticeship Through Sector-Based Strategies Funding Opportunity Announcement heading and available for viewing any time after that date. While a review of this FAQ is strongly encouraged to support grant applications, it is not mandatory.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Ariam Ferro, Grants Management Specialist, Office of Grants Management, at ferro.ariam@dol.gov

Signed August 22, 2018 in Washington, D.C. by:

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