FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS
For
State Fiscal Year 2018 (SFY18)

Q: *What is the total remaining funding amount?*

A: $2 million. Applicants may request up to $500,000.

Q*: Is there a deadline to spend grant funding?*

A: Yes. All state funding awarded must be spent by June 30th of that fiscal year. Match funds can be reported up to the graduation of the first cohort of graduates.

Q: *Will there be additional rounds of funding?*

A: OSIT will continue to award grants in the 2019 State Fiscal Year. If all funding is not awarded in Round V, OSIT will issue another RFA later this year.

Q: *Are there match requirements for this grant?*

A: Yes, there is a 10% match for Capital Expenses and a 25% match for Programmatic Expenses.

Q: *What is considered qualified in-kind match?*

A: In-kind match should directly support the development and function of the training program. Examples of eligible in-kind match include, but are not limited to, equipment used for training purposes only, lease or rent for approved training spaces, salary and benefits for instructors or trainers that are experts within their field, and apprenticeships/internships. Please contact Jodi Bass (jbass@gov.nv.gov) with specific questions about match.

Q: *What type of expenses would be considered eligible for this grant?*

A: Grant funds should be start-up in nature and not used for ongoing expenses. Only capital or programmatic expenses are eligible. Examples include curriculum development, production or instruction materials, tools and supplies used for training purposes, and equipment purchased for training only.

Q: *Can I charge Faculty and Administration (F&A) expenses as indirect costs to the grant or include as a match?*

A: Indirect expenses or F&A expenses are not an eligible grant expense. Grantees may use an indirect cost rate of up to 10% as in-kind match. Salaries and fringe benefits are not included as indirect costs.

Q: *Are for-profit, private training providers eligible applicants?*

A: Yes.

Q: *What is the State looking for in a potential grantee?*

A: Grantees must demonstrate an ability to become self-sustained following the conclusion of grant funding.

Q: *Can I submit more than one grant application?*

A: Yes, as long as the applications target different STEM occupations.

Q: *What would be considered a successful application and/or program?*

A: Successful applications will draw from data, market analysis and industry to identify current and projected workforce training challenges that will be part of the program implementation and be able to sustain the program long term.

Q: *Can I include a table in my application? Do tables have to follow double-spacing and other formatting rules?*

A: Yes, small tables can be included as long as they are not the majority of the application narrative. Tables can be single spaced and are exempt from other formatting rules.

Q: *What are some of the factors of a successful proposal?*

A: A successful proposal consists of:
- A designated lead entity to head up grant-related activities that will work with industry-based organizations.
- Cross-sector collaboration that brings together colleges, industry sector councils, area firms, and/or industry based organizations.
- Evidence of active industry participation and leadership as well as current or planned collaboration among companies in program development and implementation.
- Leveraging of existing or additional state and federal funding.
- Replicable model that allows possible transfer to other regions.
- Well defined metrics and performance management to ensure evidence-based decision making and accountability.