

## Accessing Federal Workforce Resources

**Mark your calendar for this 60-minute webinar**

**DATE: Thursday, August 26, 2021**

**TIME: 10 – 11 a.m.**

You might suppose that there are federal funds to support your workforce development strategies, but how do you access them? In this webinar, we'll take a close look at three federal funding sources available – and how to access them – to help you offset workforce training costs.

We'll explore the resources available to Ohio manufacturers through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), overseen by local Workforce Development Boards. WIOA dollars can be used to support businesses' incumbent worker training, on-the-job training, registered apprenticeship, and more.

We'll also look at two statewide grant programs: the Ohio Manufacturing Workforce Partnership (OMWP) Scaling Apprenticeship grant and the Ohio Defense Manufacturing Community grant (Ohio DMC). Scaling Apprenticeship focuses on innovative earn-and-learn strategies for manufacturing employees from entry-level to experienced mentors. Ohio DMC is designed to prepare Ohio manufacturers – and the workforce – for Industry 4.0 technologies that will help secure Ohio's place in the defense supply chain.

### Who should attend?

- ✓ Manufacturers interested in offsetting the cost of training
- ✓ Members of industry sector partnerships
- ✓ Workforce and education professionals

**Registration fee** (for an unlimited number of participants at one phone/computer location)

1. OMA Members: **\$19**
2. Non-OMA Members: **\$19**

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### Your Presenters

**Jessica Borza**, Executive Director, Mahoning Valley Manufacturers Coalition. Jessica is an advisor to the OMA and a member of the OMWP lead team, which is setting the agenda to expand earn-and-learn programs for manufacturers across the state. For almost 10 years, Jessica has been a leading expert in Industry Sector Partnership strategy in Ohio and nationally.

**Aaron Patrick**, Interim State Director, Ohio Manufacturing Extension Partnership Program (MEP). Aaron has been with the Department of Development since 2017 and has spent over six years with the MEP program. Previously, Aaron worked for 18 years in the automotive industry. He holds a BA in Business Communications from Wright State University.

**John Trott**, Executive Director, Area 7 Workforce Development Board. John oversees Ohio's largest Workforce Development Board, supporting 43 member counties and operating a network of OhioMeansJobs Centers with an annual budget of \$35 million. He has almost 30 years of experience in the public workforce system.