



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE REQUEST FOR EMERGING SECTOR PARTNERSHIPS

PURPOSE: In support of The Ohio Manufacturers' Association's Workforce Services, the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS), through its contract with Wargo-Brock Workforce Dimensions, will fund strategy and continuous improvement expertise for Ohio's manufacturing sector partnerships in order to support organizational development, processes and action plans, with a goal to move partnerships from 'emerging' to 'advancing' status.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS: Sector Partnerships that have been organized for less than two years and/or do not have a strategic plan, neutral convener or operating budget in place.

FUNDS AVAILABLE: ODJFS investment of up to \$10,000 per partnership with a 1:1 match required.

ACTIVITIES FUNDED: A team of sector partnership experts will work with emerging partnerships to determine technical assistance, facilitation, and coordination needed to develop an Organizational Charter, Asset Map and Action Plan. Activities may include:

- Establish organization (for those partnerships at the earliest stages of formation). Technical assistance providers will help the partnership to accomplish one or more of the following tasks:
 - Identify industry champions and secure commitments
 - Select and refine appropriate organizational and governance structure and organization charter
 - Develop a recruitment strategy for additional members and public partners
 - Identify and recruit neutral convener/intermediary
- Administer industry demand survey, compile results and conduct data analysis
- Facilitate action planning process, which will include a one-day on-site planning session, SWOT analysis and development of a strategic action plan

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete and submit the attached form to Sara Tracey at tracey@tpma-inc.com. Requests will be evaluated by a committee of industry and workforce experts. The review committee might request additional information and/or a phone interview with partnership representatives to further evaluate requests.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Sara Tracey at tracey@tpma-inc.com

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Name of organization		
Contact person	Email	Phone
Counties served		
Today's date		
Provide a brief history of your sector partnership, including date of first meeting and your focus.		
Manufacturing members (please list all)		
Non-manufacturing members/partners (please list all)		
Are there any organizations in your region that you would consider a competitor to your organization?		
What other companies/organizations need to be engaged in your sector partnership?		
Describe your partnership member recruiting strategy.		
Describe your sector partnership's organizational structure and/or the current commitment of industry champions.		
Describe your sector partnership's greatest technical assistance need(s).		
Describe your sector partnership's current budget. How will you fund the match requirement and what are your current funding sources?		

