# Do You Want BETTER JOBS for Your Community?

Through new federal dollars, state and local policymakers have a once-in-a-generation chance to build a new and thriving workforce.

But what does it take for policymakers to build an economy that works for everyone—especially those who struggle to make ends meet?

### **Plan Early**



Creating a road map for how to leverage federal dollars in your community will help make the most of these recommendations.

## **Build New Partnerships**



Bringing employers, colleges, and service providers together will help support new and emerging industries.

# **Understand Community Needs**



Targeting dollars to types of jobs needed in your community will increase wages, benefits, and career opportunities.

## **Engage Existing Employers**



Working directly with employers will allow workforce agencies to develop new programs and better assess job quality.

#### **Offer Paid Work-based Learning**



Ensuring people will meet their families' needs while training for new jobs will increase worker persistence and retention.

#### **Prioritize Equity**



Targeting recruitment, training, and hiring on communities facing structural barriers will address workforce gaps.

# By implementing these strategies, you can use federal dollars to create:



high-quality jobs



new, innovative industries



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