

### **CHIPS Workforce Intermediary Strategy**



### **Today's Speakers**





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### Agenda



- CHIPS Workforce Vision
- CHIPS Workforce Intermediary Strategy
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Next Steps

#### **Objectives**

- Give an overview of how workforce intermediaries will help achieve the policy goals of the CHIPS Program
- Provide next steps for strategic partners interested in getting involved in semiconductor workforce efforts with CHIPS awardees



# **CHIPS Workforce Vision**

### **CHIPS for America Vision**



### Economic Security

The CHIPS Act will strengthen supply chain security and increase economic resilience in critical sectors.

### National Security

The CHIPS Act will ensure that the U.S. can manufacture advanced technologies, including secure chips for the U.S. military.



### Future Innovation

The CHIPS Act will spur innovation, increase competitiveness, and ensure long-term U.S. leadership in the sector.



## **CHIPS for America Programs**

# \$39 billion for manufacturing

Components:

- 1. Attract large-scale investments in advanced technologies such as leading-edge logic and memory
- 2. Incentivize expansion of manufacturing capacity for mature and other types of semiconductors

### \$11 billion for R&D

- National Semiconductor Technology Center
- National Advanced Packaging Manufacturing Program
- Manufacturing USA institute(s)
- National Institute of Standards and Technology measurement science

Together with CHIPS initiatives from other agencies, including DOD, State, NSF, and Treasury







### **CHIPS Workforce Call to Action**

Over the next decade...

**Double** the U.S. semiconductor workforce overall.

Triple the number of graduates in semiconductor-related fields, including engineering.

**Train 100,000 new technicians** through apprenticeships, career and technical education, and career pathway programs.

Expand recruitment for **more people from underserved communities** – including women and veterans – to launch semiconductor industry careers.

Hire and **train an additional million women in construction** to meet the demand across a range of industries, including CHIPS projects.



### **CHIPS Workforce Development Vision**

Delivering on our **national and economic security objectives** demands **major investments in the semiconductor workforce** that will support **good-paying jobs across the industry.** 

America's diversity is a comparative advantage; we must make significant investments to create opportunities for Americans from historically underserved communities.

Effective workforce solutions **enable key stakeholders to work together.** 







# **Workforce Intermediaries**

### **Workforce Partnerships**



"A critical aspect of establishing a sectoral partnership is to identify a strong backbone organization, an intermediary that convenes and coordinates between parties, serving as a liaison between businesses and the full range of partners. Backbone organizations provide a clarity of purpose, drive long-term momentum and growth, establish strong partnership identity by connecting and aligning people and activities, and define clear measures of success."

- CHIPS Workforce Development Guide, pg. 12

### What is a Workforce Intermediary?



- Chosen by a CHIPS company, a workforce intermediary (or intermediaries) brings together a range of strategic partners to build and execute workforce solutions at the company's direction and specifications.
- Workforce intermediaries help to ensure workers throughout the region can access the opportunities created by the CHIPS Act and foster sustainable workforce ecosystems that support the long-term growth of both the company and the community.







### **Workforce Solution Example**





### **Data Collection and Performance Management**



- Workforce solution funding orders will specify Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) that will be used to track the effectiveness of programs, such as completion and placement data.
- Workforce intermediaries will be responsible for collecting data from strategic partners and will track program success on a company level to inform future company investments.
- The CHIPS Program Office will be using this data to track the effectiveness of workforce investments nationwide and help inform best practices.





# Frequently Asked Questions



# What types of workforce solutions can CHIPS workforce investments be used for?

As a strategic partner, how can I get involved in workforce efforts with CHIPS awardees?



### **Next Steps**



- Check the chips funding updates page
- Sign up on The CHIPS Teaming Partner list
- JOIN THE CHIPS mailing list

#### **VISIT CHIPS.GOV FOR RESOURCES, INCLUDING:**

- Intermediary fact sheets
- <u>Workforce progress report</u>
- Workforce development guide
- Past webinars recordings and slides

#### **QUESTIONS?**

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# Appendix

### **Additional Workforce Solution Example**

