I think funding would be valuable to do work on identifying regional workforce assets and working to streamline them and identify gaps for employers. This would cover incumbent workers, but also developing a pipeline of talent through internships, work experiences and training to prepare for the sector, similar to some of the work Mass MEP is doing [http://massmep.org/workforce-strategies/credentialing-and-cross-training/]. There are typically many great resources for manufacturers but it is difficult to align them all.