

# WORKFORCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

December 2024



COLLEGE FOR **YOUR** WORLD

# NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION - ENGINES

- Economic Development Grants
- Multi-state
- GAME Change
  - Sustainable Manufacturing
  - KY + TN
  - KY Industry Conference
- KY-AME
  - Additive Manufacturing
  - KY + IN + OH



# ASSET MAP + EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENT TEAMS

Alignment of Goals and Activities:	453
Apprenticeships:	198
Career Guidance:	342
Clinical Sites:	424
Internships:	785
Collaborating with Data:	215
Continual Improvement Based on Outcomes:	366
Employer-sponsored Contract Training:	333
Employer-informed Curriculum:	440
Flexible Scheduling:	375
Industry Recommendation of Credentials:	317
Labor Market Analysis	251
Advisory Board/Committee:	719
Promote Education for Career Advancement:	674
Regional Skills Goal-setting:	244
Skills-based Curriculum:	333
Training for Incumbent Workers:	472
Tuition Assistance:	547
<b>TOTAL Partnerships Identified - Including Foundation Data</b>	<b>3150</b>

# STATEWIDE WORKFORCE AND TALENT TEAM



Dear Kentucky Workforce Partner,

We are excited to invite you to the [Statewide Workforce and Talent Team \(SWATT\) Convening](#) on December 4-5, 2024, at the Central Bank Center in Lexington. This important gathering will bring together workforce leaders, partners, businesses, and organizations from across Kentucky with a shared goal of enhancing coordination and developing next-generation unified business service solutions to drive economic growth throughout the Commonwealth.



FEATURING REMARKS FROM  
**GOVERNOR  
ANDY BESHEAR**

Governor Andy Beshear will open the event by emphasizing the importance of collaboration to strengthen Kentucky's workforce and economy. The event will also include a discussion between SWATT leadership on Kentucky's next generation of unified business services, regional breakout sessions, and more.

SWATT is a group of public and private organizations committed to improved measurement, coordination, and delivery of workforce development solutions and services to Kentucky employers. This two-day event will offer valuable opportunities for learning, alignment, collaboration, discussion, and networking at the state and local levels as we work together to build a stronger, more dynamic workforce for Kentucky.

As we continue to make progress toward our collective goals, your participation is crucial to ensuring that we anticipate and address the unique challenges facing our communities. This event is invitation-only. To secure your seat, please register by November 18, 2024.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Kentucky Chamber Foundation Senior Workforce Development Project Manager Laurie Mays at [lmays@kychamber.com](mailto:lmays@kychamber.com).



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# STATEWIDE WORKFORCE AND TALENT TEAM

- Unified Business Services
- Simplification of Ecosystem
- Common Vision
- State, Regional & Local
- December Convening
- Ongoing Professional Development

# QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION