



APPRENTICESHIP ILLINOIS COMMITTEE April 2023 UPDATES

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Apprenticeship News in Illinois



IECC and Clay County Hospital Create First-of-its-Kind Nursing Apprenticeship Program



Apprenticeship Program Provides Frontline Staff with Career Growth Paths



Students Attend IVCC Building Trades Career Fair

A follow-up from last month's article on the IVCC Career Fair



Illinois Works' Pre-Apprenticeship Program Provides Opportunities for Successful Trade Careers



Construction Starts on the Largest Solar Project in Illinois

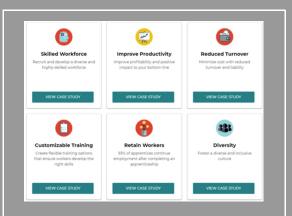


Workforce Investment Solutions Participants Inducted into Local IBEW 146



Apprenticeship Illinois Committee Member Appointed to the IWIB

Dan Serota, a member of the Apprenticeship Illinois Committee, has been appointed by the governor to the Illinois Workforce Innovation Board (IWIB).



Benefits of Apprenticeships to Area Employers



Construction Job Exploration Welcomes Local Young People

Apprenticeship News Across the Country



Fullerton College Introduces



Apprentice Work a Lucrative Career Alternative to College

the First Drone Piloting Apprenticeship Program in the United States



KIA America Launches Military Veterans Technician Apprenticeship Program



ZOLLER Donates Nearly \$250K to Washtenaw Community College for Student Training, Apprenticeship Program



Pre-Apprenticeship Construction Training Program Still Creating Opportunities for Young People

Have information to share? Email apprenticeship@illinoisworknet.com

Follow ApprentiScope for national apprenticeship news.

Apprenticeship Podcasts

- The Partnership on Inclusive Apprenticeship's <u>Apprenticeship for All</u> podcast series explores how inclusive apprenticeship programs are increasing employment opportunities for people with disabilities.
- Professional Apprenticeship's Podcast provides the latest news on apprenticeship, conversations with current apprentices and employers, and more.
- JFF offers a podcast looking at the <u>challenges and opportunities of youth</u> <u>apprenticeship</u>.
- <u>Apprentice Talks</u> is "a podcast made to educate, inform and give insight into what it's really like to be an apprentice and juggle multiple worlds."
- The Fresh Apprentice*
- <u>The HVAC Apprentice</u>*
- <u>Future is Health</u>* is a Healthcare Youth Apprenticeship Intermediary. Their podcast can help someone understand apprenticeship programs and how students, employers, and stakeholders can benefit from developing careers through apprenticeship
- <u>Apprentice Worldwide Podcast</u> was created to empower young professionals to succeed in business and life. It will feature ideas,

interviews, and career advice.

These podcasts require the creation of a free account

Looking for an Apprenticeship?

Apprenticeship

Check out the Becoming an Apprentice pages on the <u>Apprenticeship Illinois</u> website. Find information about the <u>industries and occupations sponsoring</u> <u>apprenticeships</u>. Use the <u>USDOL apprenticeship finder tool</u> or learn more about <u>specific Illinois apprenticeship initiatives</u> that are funded by the Illinois Community College Board and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. Email <u>apprenticeship@illinoisworknet.com</u> for more information.

Have an apprenticeship opportunity to share? Email apprentriceship@illinoisworknet.com

Apprenticeship Employer Information

Did you know that there is a tax credit for businesses with apprentices?

Effective January 1, 2020, employers are allowed a tax credit for qualified educational expenses associated with qualifying apprentices. Employers may receive a credit of up to \$3,500 per apprentice against the taxes imposed by subsections (a) and (b) of Section 201 of the Illinois Income Tax Act, and an additional credit of up to \$1,500 for each apprentice if (1) the apprentice resides in an underserved area or (2) the employer's principal place of business is located in an underserved area.

Want to learn more about how apprenticeship works for businesses? For information and resources, visit Employer Information at <u>www.apprenticeshipillinois.com!</u>

Apprenticeship Employer Spotlight

EMPLOYER SPOTLIGHT



Know of a great apprenticeship program? Let us know about it. Apprenticeship Illinois celebrates a new apprenticeship employer every month.

Email your submissions to apprenticeship@illinoisworkn et.com

Success Story of the Month from ApprenticeshipIllinois.com



"With a new degree and job, Zoe Pierce's experience demonstrates the power of Registered Apprenticeships. Man-Tra-Con's Construction Craft Laborer program provided the support Pierce needed to develop a wide range of skills and competencies. As a result, Pierce (pictured with Zeller Construction owners Chris Schaber, left, and Jamie Tayler Zeller, right) recently began an exciting new position as a Project Manager at Zeller Construction, where she oversees Procore. She graduated with her Associate's Degree in Construction Management in December 2022 while serving in the Honor Society and president of the Construction Management Club. Pierce plans to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Fall 2023 while continuing with Zeller Construction."

Check out more stories like Zoe's at apprenticeshipillinois.com

USDOL-Illinois Office of Apprenticeship

Did you know that apprenticeships in Illinois are registered by the U.S. Department of Labor's Illinois Office of Apprenticeship?

Illinois is one of twentyfive Office of Apprenticeship (OA) States in which all apprenticeship program



registration and oversight is done by federal U.S. Department of Labor staff through state field offices. Find your regional OA Illinois Apprenticeship Training Representative (ATR) <u>click here</u>.

More information and sources for this information can be found by clicking the map. All information used was provided by apprenticeship.gov.

What is the IWIB Apprenticeship Illinois Committee?

The Apprenticeship Illinois Committee is one of 4 content-focused committees of the <u>Illinois Workforce Innovation Board or IWIB</u> and provides leadership on:

- 1. Expanding apprenticeships geographically and to new industries.
- 2. Increasing diversity, equity, and inclusion in apprenticeships.
- 3. Formalizing apprenticeship coordination across partnering state agencies.
- 4. Growing statewide capacity to provide apprenticeship opportunities to job seekers and businesses.

The committee has 3 workgroups tasked with different aspects of expanding apprenticeship: the marketing workgroup, the pre-apprenticeship workgroup, and the youth apprenticeship workgroup. See below for a schedule of their upcoming meetings!

Apprenticeship Illinois Committee 2022 Schedule

Quarterly Committee Meetings

• TBD

Marketing Work Group

- May 4th, 2023 2:00-3:00pm
- June 1st, 2023 2:00-3:00pm
- July 6th, 2023 2:00-3:00pm
- **Pre-Apprenticeship Work Group**
 - TBD

Youth Apprenticeship Work Group

The Youth Apprenticeship Work Group is currently in recess. When they resume sessions, you can find the updated meeting dates and times here!

Details of the quarterly meetings and workgroup meetings, such as date, time, locations, agendas, and materials are posted in the <u>IWIB calendar</u>.

National Apprenticeship Resources

Resources for Apprenticeship from Maher/AIR:

- <u>State Apprenticeship Grantee Resource Guide</u> covers apprenticeship basics, state apprenticeship grant management, apprenticeship expansion strategy, and industry and occupation-specific information.
- <u>Apprenticeship Expansion Acceleration Strategies Resources</u>
- Program Registration Acceleration Tool
- <u>Apprenticeship Expansion Self-Assessment.</u>

Resources for Apprenticeship from Workforce GPS

- <u>Aligning the Registered Apprenticeship and Workforce Development</u>
 <u>Systems: A Resource</u>
- Registered Apprenticeship 101 Bootcamp: RAP and the Public Workforce
 System
- Promising Practices in Apprenticeship Expansion
- Elements of Apprenticeship Expansion

