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# APPRENTICESHIP ILLINOIS COMMITTEE September 2022 UPDATES

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## Apprenticeship in Illinois



### Apprenticeship Illinois Named Apprenticeship Ambassador by US Department of Labor

The Illinois Workforce Innovation Board's Apprenticeship Illinois Committee was named 1 of 207 apprenticeship ambassadors across the country!

We are humbled and honored to receive this recognition and will continue lifting up apprenticeship across the state.

[Check out the US Department of Labor's Announcement here!](#)



[Madison County Receives ABA Grant](#)

[Gov. Pritzker Announces \\$15 Million to Expand Illinois Works Pre-Apprenticeship Program](#)

[US Department of Labor Announces 3.4M in Grants to Expand Job Opportunities for Women in Apprenticeships, Non-Traditional Occupations](#)

Chicago Women in Trades was awarded \$713,785 to expand opportunities for women in Illinois.



[Bachelor's Degree Apprenticeships](#)

Those with 2 years of college can now have the second half paid for while earning full-time pay and growing professionally in the Zurich Apprenticeship Program.

Click [here](#) for the full article!

## Apprenticeship Across the Country



[How the US Can Make the Apprenticeship Model Work](#)



[Delaware Dept. of Labor Expands Apprenticeship Opportunities](#)



[Apprenticeship Programs Grow During High US Employment Rate](#)



[Boston Announces Expansion of Apprenticeships for BIPOC Residents](#)



[Bee2Bee Network Apprenticeships Announce \\$30 Million Program Expansion](#)

Follow [ApprentiScope](#) for national apprenticeship news.

Have information to share? Email [apprenticeship@illinoisworknet.com](mailto:apprenticeship@illinoisworknet.com)

## SAVE THE DATE: Upcoming Events

### [National Apprenticeship Week 2022](#)

[November 14th-20th, 2022](#)

The US Department of Labor has announced the dates for this year's National Apprenticeship Week! Mark your calendars now and keep an eye on these monthly updates for more information closer to the event!

# ARE YOU HOSTING A NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK EVENT?

\*events can be any  
day in November\*



Let us know so we  
can add it to our  
website and  
promote your  
event!

email:

[apprenticeship@illinoisworknet.com](mailto:apprenticeship@illinoisworknet.com)



## Hope Center Apprenticeship Illinois

**September 21st and 28th, 2022, 10:00-11:00am**

The Hope Center Foundation's Apprenticeship Illinois Program is for women ages 18-60 to obtain free certifications in the areas of TDL, healthcare, or manufacturing with supportive services and a paid apprenticeship. Visit [apprenticeshipillinois.com](http://apprenticeshipillinois.com) and view the calendar for more information.

## Tour State-of-the-Art Wood Products Manufacturing

**September 20th and 27th, 2022, 9:00-11:15am**

The Wood Products Manufacturing Program is short-term, no-nonsense, technical, hands-on training at no cost for eligible low-income applicants. In only 15 weeks, you will learn the skills needed for rewarding entry-level positions in cabinetmaking, furniture making, exhibit building, and the wood products industry from experienced and supportive instructors. Entry salaries range from \$16 - \$18 per hour, growing to \$18 - \$40 per hour with years of on-the-job experience. There's no limit to your learning in this field. Fast track through training to careers as skilled cabinetmaker apprentice, bench carpenter, machine operator, CNC operator, assembler, furniture fabricator, or solid surface counter fabricator. Study CNC operation, print reading, precision

measuring, and cabinetmaking techniques.

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## TechReady Illinois Apprenticeship Info Session

September 16th and 30th, 2022, 12:00-1:00PM

Online event: [Register here.](#)

TechReady Illinois holds biweekly Information Sessions. Attend to learn more about their Apprenticeship Program.

Visit [apprenticeshipillinois.com](http://apprenticeshipillinois.com) and view the calendar for more information.

## Apprenticeship Podcasts

- The Partnership on Inclusive Apprenticeship's [Apprenticeship for All](#) 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 [challenges and opportunities of youth apprenticeship.](#)
- [Apprentice Talks](#) 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\\*](#)
- [The HVAC Apprentice\\*](#)
- [Future is Health\\*](#) 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
- [Apprentice Worldwide Podcast](#) 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\**



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

Have an apprenticeship opportunity to share? Email [apprenticeship@illinoisworknet.com](mailto:apprenticeship@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 [www.apprenticeshipillinois.com](http://www.apprenticeshipillinois.com)!

## Apprenticeship Employer Spotlight

Know of a great  
apprenticeship



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

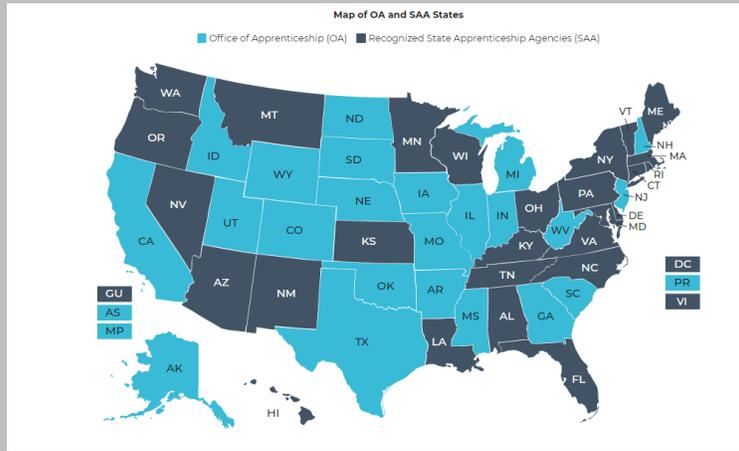
Email your submissions to [apprenticeship@illinoisworknet.com](mailto:apprenticeship@illinoisworknet.com)

## 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 twenty-five 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) [click here](#).



\*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 [Illinois Workforce Innovation Board or IWIB](#) 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

- September 15th, 9-11 am
- December 8th, 9-11 am

### Marketing Work Group

- October 6th, 2022 2-3:00PM
- November 3rd, 2022 2-3:00PM

### Pre-Apprenticeship Work Group

- September 29th, 2022 10:00-11:30AM
- December 1st, 2022 10:00-11:30AM

### Youth Apprenticeship Work Group

The Youth Apprenticeship Work Group is currently in recess until Fall 2022. 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 [IWIB calendar](#). [Click here](#) for the June 2022 Quarterly Report.*

Check out the brand new National Apprenticeship Week 2022 [Website](#)!

# APPRENTICESHIP WEEK - NOVEMBER 14 - 20, 2022

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APPRENTICESHIPUSA



National Apprenticeship Week (NAW) is a nationwide celebration that brings together business and labor leaders, career seekers, educational institutions, and critical partners to demonstrate their support for apprenticeships.

Apprenticeship Illinois is celebrating Apprenticeship Week 2022 by hosting a range of events, in-person and virtually, and amplifying local and regional celebrations of apprenticeships. This week provides apprenticeship sponsors the opportunity to showcase their programs, facilities, and apprentices in their community. It provides those curious about apprenticeships a way to learn about the benefits that come from learning and earning.

The week-long celebration highlights the benefits of apprenticeships in preparing a highly-skilled workforce to meet the talent needs of Illinois employers across diverse industries. Come join us!

Are you hosting an apprenticeship week event? Be sure to register your event with DOL and on the Illinois workNet event calendar.

If you would like for your company to be included in a NAW 2022 recap video, please complete this form.

## Countdown to NAW 2022!

63 : 12 : 45 : 11  
DAYS : HRS : MINS : SECS

## Get Ready for Apprenticeship Week Toolkit

## Find Apprenticeship Success Stories Online

### Apprenticeship Success Stories

Success Stories highlight how apprenticeship programs have helped:

- An individual succeed in completing a program that has helped them reach their career, training, and/or employment goal,
- Business participation in apprenticeship program and how it helped the business change, grow, and helped their workforce,
- Communities change or grow and how it has helped the local workforce.

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#### Pre-Apprenticeship Completion

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#### Success in the IT Career Lab/Cisco Networking Academy

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## National Apprenticeship Resources

### Resources for Apprenticeship from Maher/AIR:

- [State Apprenticeship Grantee Resource Guide](#) covers apprenticeship basics, state apprenticeship grant management, apprenticeship expansion strategy, and industry and occupation-specific information.

- [Apprenticeship Expansion Acceleration Strategies Resources](#)
- [Program Registration Acceleration Tool](#)
- [Apprenticeship Expansion Self-Assessment.](#)

#### **Resources for Apprenticeship from Workforce GPS**

- [Aligning the Registered Apprenticeship and Workforce Development Systems: A Resource](#)
- [Registered Apprenticeship 101 Bootcamp: RAP and the Public Workforce System](#)
- [Promising Practices in Apprenticeship Expansion](#)
- [Elements of Apprenticeship Expansion](#)

