



Industry Driven IT Apprenticeship Grant

The grant is designed to provide support to employers expanding or establishing new apprenticeship programs, creating a sustainable workforce development system that remains in place long after the grant is concluded. **Employer led, employer refined.**

Our grant model provides life-changing results.

719 individuals completed their apprenticeships earning nationally recognized credentials and yielding other life-changing results including permanent employment, salary increases, and promotions.

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in the nation

The Missouri Chamber Foundation was recently ranked in the **top 5** of all Department of Labor Closing the Skills Gap grantees nationwide for high performance in providing tech apprenticeships

\$6m

to expand tech apprenticeships

The Missouri Chamber Foundation was awarded \$6 million from the U.S. Department of Labor to expand tech apprenticeships through the Closing the Skills Gap grant program.

5,335

potential apprentices

We are committed to serving nearly 5,335 apprentices over a four-year period through a unique and innovative industry-driven model. Our employer partners include: Oracle Cerner, Cyderes, CyberUp, Bitwise Industries, Cognizant, and LaunchCode. The grant funding is used to offset our employer partners' apprentice training costs.

1,725

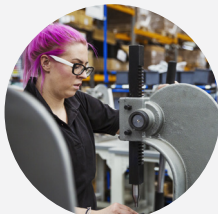
apprentices already served

The Missouri Chamber Foundation has already served 1,725 apprentices and exceeded the financial match goal for the entire grant life cycle. We committed to leveraging \$2.7 million over 4 years and our employer partners matched \$2.9 million in the grant's first year.

Our program currently has **14** different tech-focused apprenticeship occupation pathways. These include:

- Business Analyst
- Consultant
- Computer User Support Specialist
- Software Engineer
- System Engineer
- Technical Solution Analyst
- Cybersecurity Support Technician
- Customer Success Engineer
- Security Analyst

Our model is anchored to the goal of building a diverse tech workforce:



Females served: **683**



People of color: **713**



Persons with disabilities: **126**



Veterans served: **46**



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