

The U.S. Department of Education issued a Notice of Inviting Applications (NIA) in June of 2020. The funding source for the ESF-RWP grants is the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). The purpose of the ESF-RWP Grants program is to provide support to help States with the highest coronavirus burden create or expand short-term education and training opportunities and/or or career pathways programs that help citizens return to work, become entrepreneurs, or e expand their small businesses.

Short term educational programs or career pathways will lead to certificates, badges, micro-credentials, licenses, or other workplace-relevant credentials that respond to the needs of employers is a requirement for these funds. The High Road Training Partnership and High Road Construction Careers frameworks were a natural fit with the addition of required education partners at the project level.

California is one of only eight states awarded.

**Projects:**

California Labor Federation, Manufacturing	\$1,254,582.50
California Labor Federation, Transit expansion	\$3,989,396.30
Fresno WDB, Construction Pre-Apprenticeship	\$2,010,607.81
IBEW, Tree Trimmers	\$4,174,290.00
<u>JVS, Water expansion to Inland Region</u>	<u>\$1,074,400.18</u>
TOTAL grant dollars to projects (84%)	\$12,503,276.79
Leveraged (16%)*	\$2,383,643.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$14,886,919.70</b>

Grant term is April 2021 – March 2023

*\*An additional \$2,383,643 has been leveraged by projects from both Federal (14%) and other (86%) funds.*