

Workforce Accelerator Fund 14 Award Announcement

The California Workforce Development Board (CWDB) is pleased to announce the following organizations have been awarded funding through the Workforce Accelerator Fund 14 (Accelerator 14) grant program.

Accelerator 14 will support workforce development partnerships that test, scale, and/or replicate innovative approaches to help people access quality jobs in emerging high-tech industries, specifically Quantum and Fusion. Awarded funding will provide grantees the flexibility to bridge gaps in the workforce system in ways that mobilize existing funding streams, as well as support the development of new training models and employer partnerships to prepare Californians for roles in the Quantum and Fusion sectors.

Accelerator 14 Awardees: October 2026

Lead Applicant	Project Name	Award Amount
The Regents of the University of California, San Diego	Fusion CAL Career Pathway	\$1,477,604
San Jose State University Research Foundation	A Stackable Three-Tier Certificate Program in Quantum Computing Hardware Design	\$1,500,000
The Regents of the University of California	Northern California Quantum Training Pipeline	\$1,027,112
The Regents of the University of California, Santa Barbara	Q-COAST: Quantum Coalition on Optics Advanced-Vacuum & Superconductivity Training	\$993,909
Valley Vision, Inc.	Quantum Capital	\$746,040

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