

Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. Infrastructure and Logistics Training Fund

On April 7, the Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc., Board voted to create an Infrastructure and Logistics Training Fund (ILT) to address the need for additional construction trades workers and CDL drivers to aid in the economic recovery of Northwest Florida following CoVid-19. The creation of this specialized “Fast Track” training program will deliver up to 220 new CAPE Certified skilled workers to the labor market throughout the eight Triumph Gulf Coast counties.

Technical Colleges/School Boards and State Colleges representing each of the eight Triumph Counties are eligible to apply for an award from this Fund. The program will be funded by up to \$1 million per year for qualifying CAPE Certifications and up to \$240,000 per year to eligible State Colleges and Technical Colleges/School Boards for recruitment and equipment/supplies.

The following Technical Colleges/School Boards and State Colleges representing each of the eight Triumph Counties are eligible to apply for an award from this Fund:

- Wakulla School Board/Lively Technical College
- Franklin School Board/Lively Technical College
- Gulf School Board/Tom P. Haney Technical Center
- Bay School Board/Tom P. Haney Technical Center
- Walton School Board/Emerald Coast Technical College
- Okaloosa School Board/Okaloosa Technical College
- Santa Rosa School Board/Locklin Technical College
- Escambia School Board/George Stone Technical College
- Pensacola State College
- Northwest Florida State College
- Gulf Coast State College
- Tallahassee Community College (for residents of the Disproportionality Affected Counties only)

The Program will provide up to \$1 million to produce “Fast Track CAPE Certification Training.” Courses are selected from the Florida Department of Education list and must be pre-approved by Triumph Staff in the following categories:

- Commercial Driver’s License (CDL)
- Heavy Equipment Operator
- Concrete Finishing
- Masonry
- UAV Survey

Students eligible to be counted toward the fast track program must be newly enrolled in the industry certification program. Students already enrolled in qualifying classes are not eligible to be counted for this program.

Each Technical College/School Board and State College may be awarded up to \$4500 per completed certification by an eligible student who a RESIDENT of Bay, Escambia, Franklin, Gulf, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Wakulla or Walton.

For the Fall 2020 funding cycle, all training must be completed during a six-month period from August 2020 through February 30, 2021. Delivery of all training must be either through classes offered by technical or state colleges that serve the eight-county region or through classes offered by third party providers that have formal working agreements with those technical and or state colleges. Such training by third party providers may include CareerSource, Florida Department of Transportation, Chancellor of CTE - Florida Department of Education or private companies that are service providers of training being certified. The third party provider must be formally approved and monitored by the Grantee.

Technical and State Colleges participating in the program are eligible for up to \$20,000 per year for expenses incurred to engage a recruiter for the Fast Track classes, course materials and supplies.

To apply, Triumph Gulf Coast requires:

- A letter of intent that
 - provides a description of the proposed project including the location(s) of the proposed project,
 - a description demonstrating how the proposed project or program is needed in the community and will promote economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement of the disproportionately affected counties,
 - an estimated range of the number of students to be trained in each course.
- A completed Infrastructure and Logistics Training Fund Application form (below)

After program participation is approved by the Triumph Board up to \$20,000 will be released towards recruitment and course material/supplies.

Triumph will provide reimbursement for each verified certificate

- upon evidentiary review of submitted certification once at least 6 of the estimated number of students to be trained is reached,
- And when a report on the activities and outcomes of the recruiter is provided. The report should include the recruiter's communication and outreach with industry as well as interested program participants.

Funding is available on a first come, first served basis.

Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. Infrastructure and Logistics Training Fund Application

Proposal Instructions: The Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. Grant Application (this document) must be completed by the entity applying for the grant and signed, as applicable, by either an individual authorized to bind the entity applying for funds, a chief elected official, the administrator for the governmental entity or their designee. Please read the Application carefully as some questions may require a separate narrative to be completed.

For purposes for this program, Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. will make awards from available funds to projects or programs that meet the priorities for economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement of the disproportionately affected counties for:

- Grants to support programs that prepare students for future occupations and careers at K- 20 institutions that have campuses in the disproportionately affected counties. Eligible programs include those that increase students' technology skills and knowledge; encourage industry certifications; provide rigorous, alternative pathways for students to meet high school graduation requirements; strengthen career readiness initiatives; fund high-demand programs of emphasis at the bachelor's and master's level designated by the Board of Governors; and, similar to or the same as talent retention programs created by the Chancellor of the State University System and the Commission of Education; encourage students with interest or aptitude for science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medical disciplines to pursue postsecondary education at a state university or a Florida College System institution within the disproportionately affected counties;
- Grants to support programs that provide participants in the disproportionately affected counties with transferable, sustainable workforce skills that are not confined to a single employer.

Applications will be evaluated and scored based on compliance with the statutory requirements of the Triumph Gulf Coast legislation, including but not limited to the priorities identified therein and the geographic region served by the proposed project or program.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Technical Colleges/School Boards and State Colleges representing each of the eight Triumph Counties are eligible to apply for an award from this Fund. The Program will provide up to \$1 million to produce "Fast Track CAPE Certification Training" (courses determined by the Florida Department of Education) in the following skilled labor categories:

- Commercial Driver's License (CDL)
- Heavy Equipment Operator
- Concrete Finishing
- Masonry
- UAV Survey

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- A letter of intent that
 - provides a description of the proposed project including the location(s) of the proposed project,
 - a description demonstrating how the proposed project or program is needed in the community and will promote economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement of the disproportionately affected counties,
 - and an estimated range of the number of students to be trained in each course
- And a completed Infrastructure and Logistics Training Fund Application form (below)

Eligible applicants include:

- Wakulla School Board/Lively Technical College
- Franklin School Board/Lively Technical College
- Gulf School Board/Tom P. Haney Technical Center
- Bay School Board/Tom P. Haney Technical Center
- Walton School Board/Emerald Coast Technical College
- Okaloosa School Board/Okaloosa Technical College
- Santa Rosa School Board/Locklin Technical College
- Escambia School Board/George Stone Technical College
- Pensacola State College
- Northwest Florida State College
- Gulf Coast State College
- Tallahassee Community College

Applications and letters of intent will be reviewed by Staff and then considered for award at the discretion of the Triumph Gulf Coast Board.

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Applicant Information

State College:

OR

School Board:

Technical College:

Contact Information:

Primary State College Contact:

Title:

Mailing Address:

Phone:

Email:

OR

Primary School Board/District Contact:

Title:

Mailing Address:

Phone:

Email:

AND

Primary Technical College Contact:

Title:

Mailing Address:

Phone:

Email:

Has the applicant in the past requested or applied for funds for all or part of the proposed project/program?

Yes No

If yes, please provide detailed information concerning the prior request for funding, including:

- the date the request/application for funding was made;
 - the source to which the request/application for funding was made,
 - the results of the request/application for funding, and
 - projected or realized results and/or outcomes from prior funding.
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Eligibility

Pursuant to Section 288.8017, Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. was created to make awards from available funds to projects or programs that meet the priorities for economic recovery, diversification, and enhancement of the disproportionately affected counties. The disproportionately affected counties are: Bay County, Escambia County, Franklin County, Gulf County, Okaloosa County, Santa Rosa County, Walton County, or Wakulla County. *See*, Section 288.08012. The Infrastructure and Logistics Training Program is limited to Technical Colleges/School Boards and State Colleges serving these counties.

Approvals and Authority

1. Attach evidence that the undersigned has all necessary authority to execute this proposal on behalf of the entity applying for funding. This evidence may take a variety of forms, including but not limited to: a delegation of authority, citation to relevant laws or codes, policy documents, etc. In addition, please attach any support letters from partners.

Funding and Budget:

Pursuant to Section 288.8017, awards may not be used to finance 100 percent of any project or program.

1. Identify the anticipated number of and amount of funding for Certs sought from Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. (*this can be an up to number or range*)

(If additional space is needed, please attach a Word document with your entire answer.)

2. Identify the anticipated amount of recruitment/supplies funds requested from Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc.

(If additional space is needed, please attach a Word document with your entire answer.)

3. Does the potential award supplement but not supplant existing funding sources? If yes, describe how the potential award supplements existing funding sources.

Yes No

(If additional space is needed, please attach a Word document with your entire answer.)

A. Other Project Funding Sources:

Example Funding Sources (Note: Not an exhaustive list of possible Funding Sources and may include in-kind cost such as salaries and benefits.)

College/School Board	\$_____
Private Sources	\$_____
Other (e.g., grants, etc.)	\$_____
Total Other Funding	\$_____
Total Amount Requested*:	\$_____
<i>(*Certs and Recruitment/Supplies)</i>	
Total Project Amount:	\$_____

Applicant understands that the Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. statute requires that the award contract must include provisions requiring a performance report on the contracted activities, must account for the proper use of funds provided under the contract, and must include provisions for recovery of awards in the event the award was based upon fraudulent information or the awardee is not meeting the performance requirements of the award.

Yes No

Applicant acknowledges that Applicant and any co-Applicants will make books and records and other financial data available to Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. as necessary to measure and confirm performance metrics and deliverables.

Yes No

Applicant acknowledges that Triumph Gulf Coast, Inc. reserves the right to request additional information from Applicant concerning the proposed project or program.

Yes No

Signature of Authorized Representative
of State College

Date

OR

Signature of Authorized Representative
of School Board

Date

AND

Signature of Authorized Representative
of Technical College

Date