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## Program SFY23 Grantees

Alaska Workforce Investment Board (AWIB)

State Training and Employment Program (STEP)

The list of organizations below represents the AWIB's designated awarded statewide network of STEP program service providers.

### 1. Alaska Carpenters Training Trust



Location: Anchorage

Contact: Josh Bolton

[soates@alaskacharr.com](mailto:soates@alaskacharr.com)

907-452-4626

The Alaska Carpenters Training Trust provides a wide array of training to both apprentice and journeyman members in five UBC-affiliated crafts including carpenter, diver, millwright, pile driver, and scaffold erector.

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### 2. Alaska CHARR Educational Fund



Location: Anchorage

Contact: Sarah Oates

[keilo@akforum.org](mailto:keilo@akforum.org)

907-229-9972

The Alaska CHARR Educational Fund provides online learning modules through the Restaurant Professionals Online Learning Suite. Participants are trained in safety/regulation, production, operations, leadership, and communication.

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### 3. Alaska Forum Inc.



Location: Anchorage

Contact: Kurt Eilo

[keilo@akforum.org](mailto:keilo@akforum.org)

907-230-9805

The Alaska Forum provides industry and nationally-recognized training to support a skilled workforce that meets the needs of employers in natural resource development and related trades.

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### 4. Alaska Hospital & Healthcare Association



Location: Anchorage

Contact: Connie Beemer

[cbeemer@alaskahha.org](mailto:cbeemer@alaskahha.org)

907-646-1444

The Alaska Hospital & Healthcare Association provides Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA) in nursing homes and hospitals across the state of Alaska. This helps to increase the quality and accessibility of in-state training for Alaska Residents to help meet the workforce needs of employers in the state.

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### 5. Alaska Joint Electrical Apprenticeship & Training Trust



Location: Anchorage

Contact: Melissa Brewer

[melissa@ajeatt.org](mailto:melissa@ajeatt.org)

907-337-9508

The Alaska Joint Electrical Apprenticeship & Training Trust provides wireman, lineman, and telecommunication apprenticeship training.

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### 6. Alaska Laborers' Construction Industry Training Fund



Location: Chugiak

Contact: Suzanne McCarthy

[smccarthy@aklts.org](mailto:smccarthy@aklts.org)

907-345-3853

The Alaska Laborers' Construction Industry Training Fund provides training for construction craft laborers, including health & safety, regulatory certifications, and specific industry skills development.

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## 7. Alaska Operating Engineers-Employers Training Trust Fund and Subsidiary



Location: Palmer

Contact: Charity Osborne

[cosborn@aoeett.org](mailto:cosborn@aoeett.org)

907-746-3117 ext. 305

The Alaska Operating Engineers-Employers Training Trust Fund and Subsidiary provides training for apprentices in earthmoving, dozer, excavator, roller, paver, grade checking, Commercial Driver's License (CDL), crane operator, rigging/signalperson, service truck, remote control construction equipment operations, drones in construction, welding, electrical, and engine rebuild.

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## 8. Alaska Primary Care Association



Location: Anchorage

Contact: Nancy Merriman

[nancy@alaskapca.org](mailto:nancy@alaskapca.org)

907-331-9008

Alaska Primary Care Association provides Pre-Apprenticeship Training in Healthcare (PATH) to 140 Alaskans, preparing them to enter the healthcare workforce and explore potential career pathways in healthcare, human services, and behavioral health.

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## 9. Alaska SC-SE Sheet Metal Workers Union Joint Apprenticeship & Training Committee



Location: Anchorage

Contact: Bruce Bold

[smwjatc@alaska.net](mailto:smwjatc@alaska.net)

907-277-5367

Alaska SC-SE Sheet Metal Workers Union Joint Apprenticeship & Training Committee provides training in fabrication, installation, and maintenance of heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning duct systems, restaurant equipment, and customized equipment, and repair and maintenance of ventilation, heating, refrigeration and cooling systems.

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## 10. Alaska Trowel Trades Apprenticeship & Training Trust



Location: Anchorage

Contact: Kenn Johnson

[867jatc@alaskan.net](mailto:867jatc@alaskan.net)

907-322-3399

The Alaska Trowel Trades Apprenticeship & Training Trust provides training in plasterers/fireproofing & cement masons for the industry construction field to meet all Industry and safety standard requirements and offers classes for journeymen upgrades of any new requirements and expiring cards, which results in obtaining and maintaining employment.

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## 11. Alaska Works Partnership



Location: Anchorage

Contact: Alexis Cowell

[alexisc@alaskaworks.org](mailto:alexisc@alaskaworks.org)

(907) 306-5529

The Alaska Works Partnerships program provides construction skills training and career guidance to women in carpentry, electrical pre-apprenticeship, heavy equipment operating, welding, or ironworking. The program is designed to provide opportunities for women who lost employment in tourism/hospitality due to the COVID-19 pandemic

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## 12. Anchorage Vineyard Family Resource Center



Location: Anchorage

Contact: MaryEllen Fritz

[mfritz@avfrc.org](mailto:mfritz@avfrc.org)

907-223-6068

Anchorage Vineyard Family Resource Center provides Child Development Associate (CDA) training for Headstart teachers.

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## 13. Associated Builders and Contractors of Alaska



Location: Anchorage

Contact: Amber Cartier

[amber@abcalaska.org](mailto:amber@abcalaska.org)

907-565-5600

The Associated Builders and Contractors of Alaska provides NCCER training in all trades, as well as safety training.

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## 14. Fairbanks Area Sheet Metal Workers JATC



Location: Fairbanks

Contact: Randy Renkert

[smrandy@acsalaska.net](mailto:smrandy@acsalaska.net)

907-388-3003

The Fairbanks Area Sheet Metal Workers JATC provides training for sheet metal workers in advanced welding technologies, auto-CAD duct design, energy efficiency, and oil and hydronic.

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## 15. Fairbanks Pipeline Training Center Trust



Location: Fairbanks

Contact: John Denny

[fptc@alaska.net](mailto:fptc@alaska.net)

(907) 455-1235

The Fairbanks Pipeline Training Center Trust provides apprenticeship training opportunities for many industries. The curriculums are structured to meet the industry's demands.

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## 16. Kenai Peninsula Driving Instruction



Location: Kenai

Contact: Alex Douthit

[jhersrud@kniktribe.org](mailto:jhersrud@kniktribe.org)

(907) 690-3783

Knik Tribe provides training for certified medical assistants, certified medical office assistants, welding, pre-apprentice heavy equipment operator and mechanic, Information Technology, CDL, and Chemical

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## 17. Knik Tribe



Location: Palmer

Contact: John Hersrud

[jhersrud@kniktribe.org](mailto:jhersrud@kniktribe.org)

(907) 841-6754

Knik Tribe provides training for certified medical assistants, certified medical office assistants, welding, pre-apprentice heavy equipment operator and mechanic, Information Technology, CDL, and Chemical Dependency/Behavioral Health

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## 18. Northern Industrial Training LLC



Location: Palmer

Contact: Gayle Warner

[gayle@nitalaska.com](mailto:gayle@nitalaska.com)

(907) 357-6400

Northern Industrial Training provides training for administrative assistants, pro truck driving, welding, advanced carpentry, industrial and construction Laborer, heavy-duty mechanics, long combination vehicle, and CDL.

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## 19. Northwest Arctic Borough School District-Alaska Technical Center



Location: Kotzebue

Contact: Karl Kowalski

[kkowalski@nwarctic.org](mailto:kkowalski@nwarctic.org)

(907) 442-1501

The Alaska Technical Center (ATC) offer CDL, mine safety and health administration (MSHA), and core drillers helper trainings.

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## 20. Pacific Northwest Ironworkers



Location: Anchorage

Contact: Jon Woodard

[tca751@gmail.com](mailto:tca751@gmail.com)

(907) 522-8230

The Pacific Northwest Ironworkers provides training for structural steel erection, placement of reinforcing steel, post-tensioning reinforcement, ornamental ironworking, metal sheeting installation, and American Welding Society (A.W.S.) welding certifications.

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## 21. Painters Apprenticeship And Training Trust Fund



Location: Anchorage/Fairbanks

Contact: Charlie Young

[cyoung@local1959.org](mailto:cyoung@local1959.org)

(907) 322-5121

The Painters Apprenticeship and Training Trust Fund provide training for drywall finishing, industrial and commercial painting, and glazing (glass) trades, including forklift and man, lift training, scaffold building and awareness, confined space entry, and lead awareness.

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## 22. Plumbers & Pipefitters UA Local 262 JATC





Location: Juneau

Contact: Bradley Austin

[lu262tc@uanet.org](mailto:lu262tc@uanet.org)

907-586-2874

The Plumbers & Pipefitters UA Local 262 JATC provides apprenticeship training for welding, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration, and foreman

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## 23. Plumbers & Steamfitters Local Union No. 375 Apprenticeship & Journeymen Training



Location: Fairbanks

Contact: Rodney Wolcott

[rodney.wolcott@ualocal375.org](mailto:rodney.wolcott@ualocal375.org)

907-456-5989

Plumbers & Steamfitters Local Union No. 375 Apprenticeship & Journeymen Training provides certification in backflow, industrial rigging, signalperson, foreman/supervisor, medical gas, STAR plumbing mastery, refrigeration & CFC, and job safety & health.

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## 24. Southeast Regional Resource Center Inc.



Location: Juneau

Contact: Karragh Arndt

[karragha@serrc.org](mailto:karragha@serrc.org)

(907) 523-7237

The Southeast Regional Resource Center Inc. provides industry-specific training in health care and the trades to help participants obtain or maintain employment by earning state, national, or industry-recognized certifications and occupational endorsements.

The training is as follows: National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER) Certification, OSHA 10 certification, welding, certified nursing assistant (CNA) Emergency Medical Technician (EMT), and behavioral health.

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## 25. United Association Local 367 Joint Apprentice Committee



Location: Anchorage

Contact: Jason Fernandes

[fernandes@ualocal367.org](mailto:fernandes@ualocal367.org)

907-562-2890

The United Association Local 367 Joint Apprentice Committee heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration (HVACR) training.

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## 26. University of Alaska Anchorage



Location: Fairbanks

Contact: David Moxley

[dpmoxley@alaska.edu](mailto:dpmoxley@alaska.edu)

907-786-6907

The University of Alaska Anchorage aims to close the workforce gap in the field of Special Education by providing tuition support to teachers currently working in Alaska who would like to transition into the high-needs field of Special Education.

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## 27. University of Alaska Fairbanks MAPTS



Location: Fairbanks

Contact: Elizabeth Hardie

[eahardie@alaska.edu](mailto:eahardie@alaska.edu)

907-262-0231

The University of Alaska Fairbanks MAPTS trains Alaskans for jobs in the mining and construction support industries by providing short-term, hard-skills training in a remote camp setting.

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## 28. University of Alaska Southeast



Location: Ketchikan

Contact: Chris Hoyt

[cphoyt@alaska.edu](mailto:cphoyt@alaska.edu)

907-228-4523

The University of Alaska Southeast provides maritime training in the maritime and multi-skilled worker, marine transportation, welding, and diesel programs.



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