



Grantee:	Community Housing Partners Corporation
Location of Grant Activities:	Virginia
Areas Affected:	Alleghany, Bland, Botetourt, Bristol, Carroll, Craig, Covington, Floyd, Franklin, Galax, Giles, Grayson, Montgomery, Pulaski, Radford, Roanoke (City and County), Salem, Smyth, and Washington
Auto-Impacted County Being Served:	Pulaski and Smyth
Industries of Focus:	Energy-Efficient Building, Construction, and Retrofit, and Energy Efficiency Assessment serving residential, commercial, and industrial sectors
Highlighted Participants Served:	Unemployed and dislocated workers
National or Local Grant:	Local
Amount:	\$3,865,480
Key Partnerships:	Construction and Laborers' Local 980, Breakell, Inc., New VA Corridor Technology Council (NCTC), three Workforce Investment Boards, and three community colleges
Project Description:	The Western Virginia Construction, Retrofitting, and Energy-Efficiency Assessment and Training and Employment System (CREATES) initiative builds training and employment services within a regional career pathways system. The project will upgrade existing regional training programs and develop and implement new curricular components to provide training participants with the preferred education, work experience, and certifications that demonstrate mastery of energy efficiency practices related to their careers.
Proposed Outcomes:	Training activities are designed to prepare participants to pass the requirements necessary for five certifications and degrees. The project will serve approximately 380 participants. An estimated 280 participants are expected to complete education and training activities and obtain employment. Project deliverables include new and modified curricula for various portions of the Virginia Community College (VCC) pathways system.
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