

The American Apprenticeship Initiative

Introduction to the Grantee Support Program

4:00 – 5:00 PM EST

Tuesday, December 8, 2015



Webinar Overview



- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. About the Grantee Community
- III. The Technical Assistance Partnership
- IV. Overview of NGA Support Program
- V. Key Dates and Next Steps
- VI. Questions and Answer
- VII. Contact Information

Welcome and Introductions

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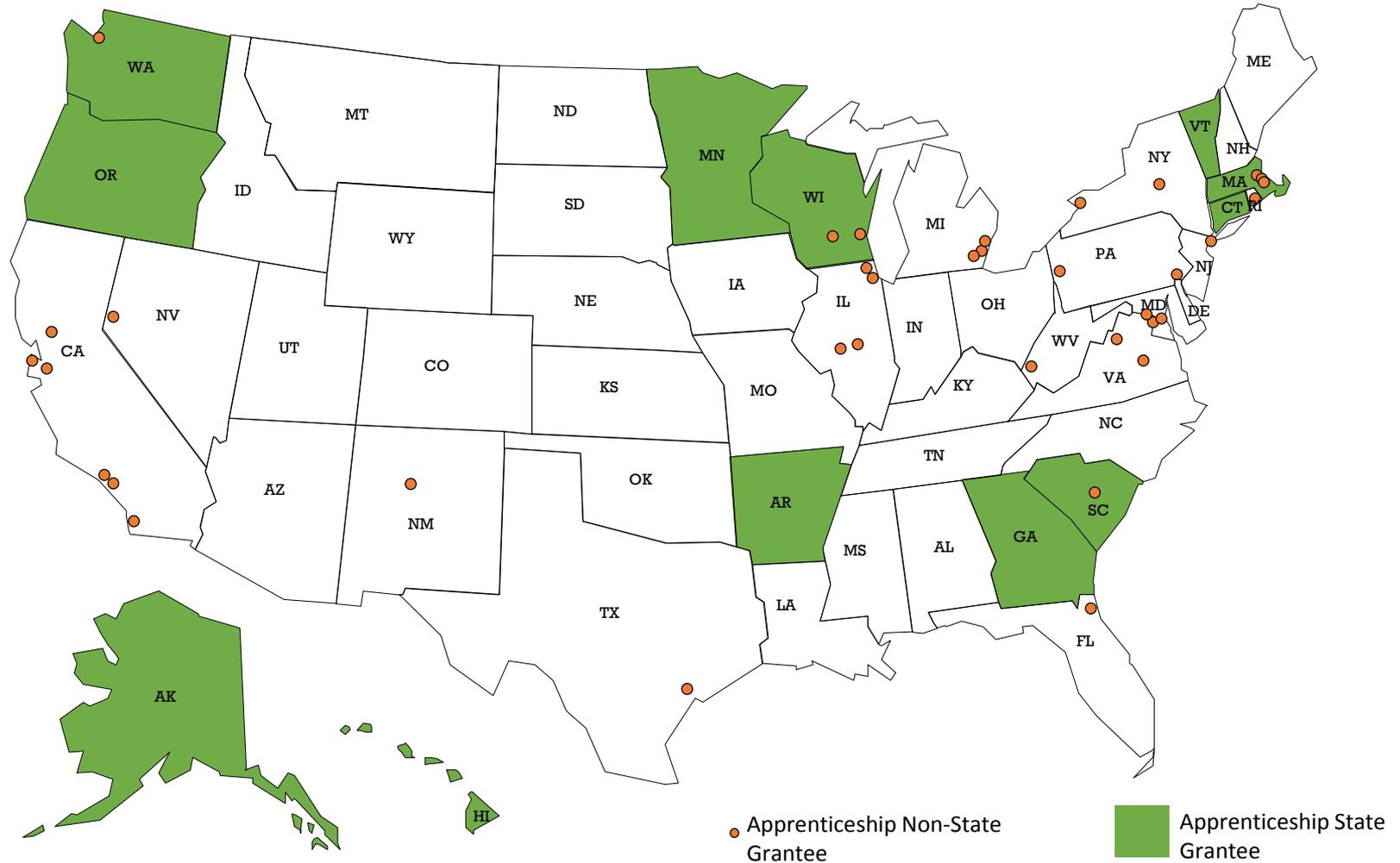


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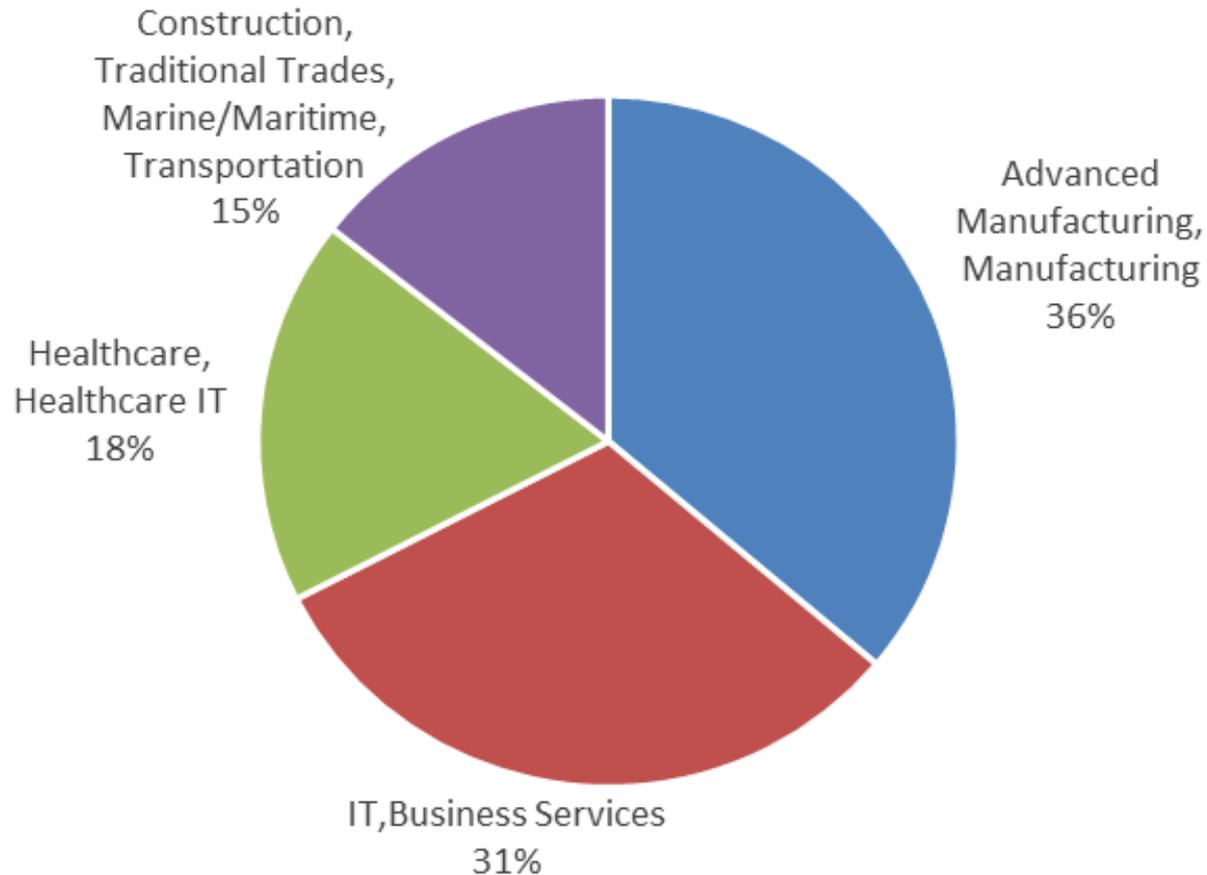


The Grantee Community



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Grantees' Industry Sector Focus:



The Grantee Community



38 projects targeting women



34 projects targeting persons of color



35 projects targeting veterans



14 projects targeting disabled populations



24 projects targeting youth



12 projects targeting incumbent workers



The Technical Assistance Partnership



USDOL Federal Project Officers

- ***Support grantees in:***
 - Technical aspects of grant start-up
 - Matters related to statutory, regulatory, and administrative requirements
 - Reporting and analysis of financial and performance data
 - Developing grant modification requests

Apprenticeship Consultants

- ***Support grantees to:***
 - Develop and register new apprenticeship programs
 - Identify challenges in meeting national apprenticeship guidelines
 - Address technical aspects of industry partner apprenticeship programs

National Governors Association Center for Best Practices

- ***Supports grantees to:***
 - Implement grant strategies
 - Surface their challenges and lessons learned
 - Learn from peers across the cohort
 - Develop strategies for scale and sustainability
 - Align programs with state, regional, and local policy and institutions
- ***Maximize national learning from grants***

The Technical Assistance Partnership



About The National Governors Association and the NGA Center for Best Practices:

- The National Governors Association (NGA) founded in 1908
- Serves as collective voice of nation's governors
- Established **NGA Center for Best Practices** as a policy research and development firm with experience:
 - Supporting success of grantee cohorts through **technical assistance** programs that blend peer-learning and coaching
 - Drawing on national and state level **networks of expertise** to inform federal and state policy
 - Using its unique capacity to capture and **disseminate promising practices** and lessons learned



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Overview of NGA Support Program



Support Program Objective: *To build a learning community that supports all grantees to...*

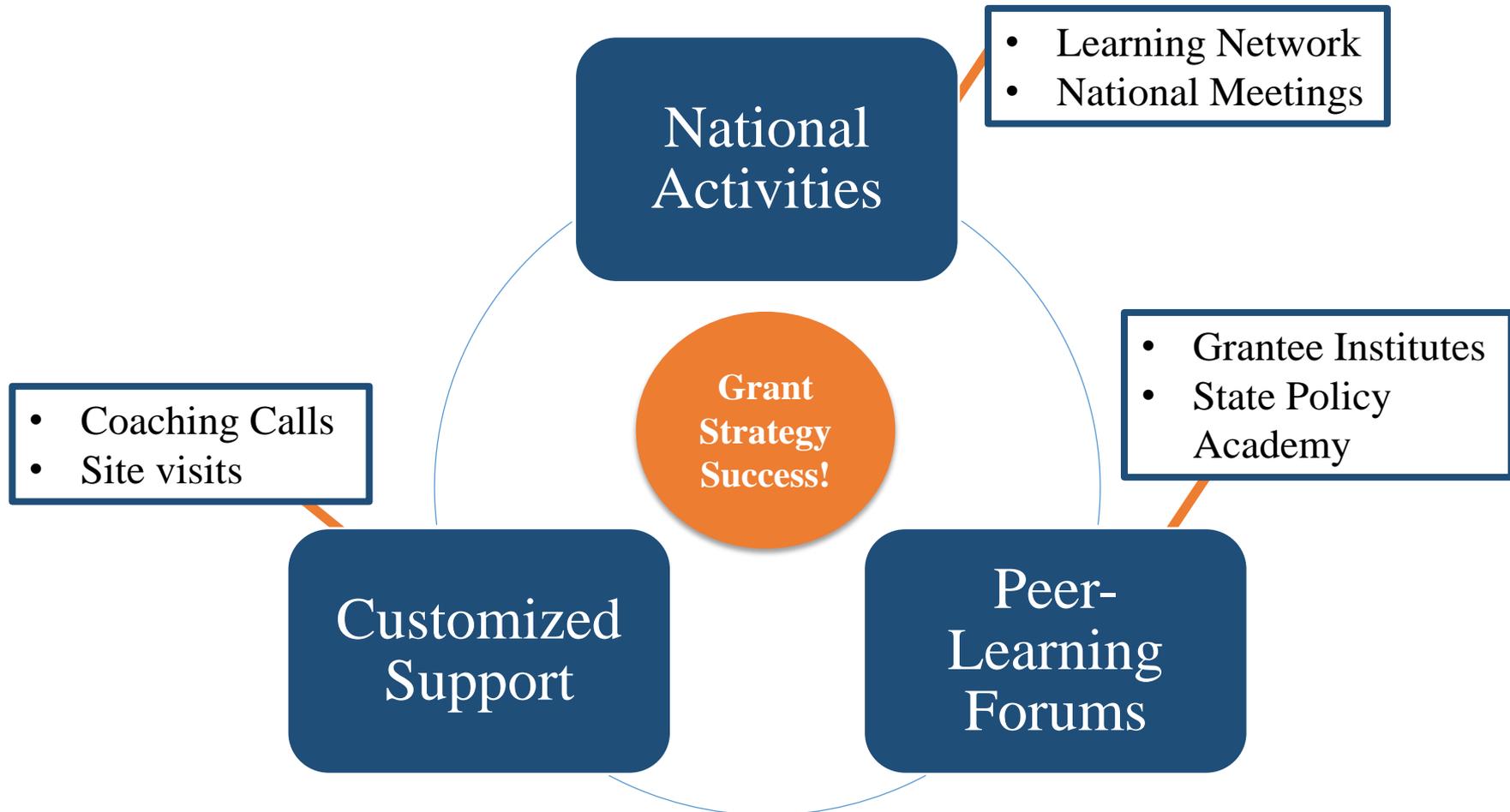
Strengthen core partnerships to implement grant strategies

Grant Strategy Success!

Position grant programs for scale and sustainability through policy integration

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Support Program Elements:



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National Activities:

Learning Network

- Platform for regular communication among grants leads and TA Partners
- Surface challenges and promising practices
- Insights from national experts

National Meetings

- Annual national grantee convenings in Washington, DC
- Structured to build community, share experience, and exchange lessons learned

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Peer-Learning Forums:

Grantee Institutes

- Cohorts of grantees with shared perspectives, approaches, challenges, and areas of interest.
- First round of institutes in 2016:
 - Sector focus: manufacturing, health care, construction and skilled trades, information technology.
 - Key grantee partners: community colleges, local government, workforce system.

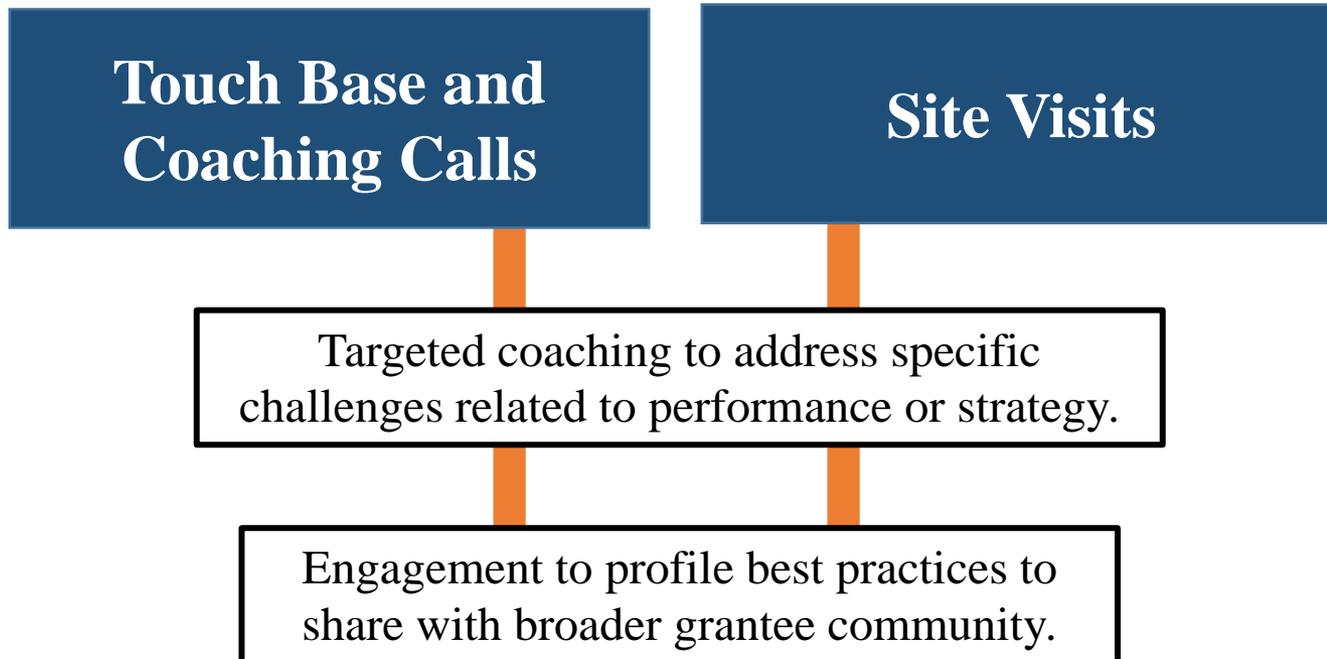
State Grantee Policy Academy

- In-depth institute focused on state-level grantees and identifying best practices for states policy integration.

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Customized Support: *To complement peer learning with mechanisms to address the particular needs of individual grantees.*



Key Dates and Next Steps



Learning Network Calls

Monthly calls on the first Tuesday of every month, from 3 – 4:30pm EST.

→ *First Learning Network Call:* Tuesday Feb 2nd 2016

Self-Assessment Survey

You will receive a link to complete a short self-evaluation survey in the coming weeks.

First Touch Base Call

You will be contacted by your NGA liaison between now and the first Learning Network call.

First National Meeting in Washington, DC

Late April 2016 (final date to be determined).

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Identify Point of Contact

Identify your grant's Point of Contact for the NGA Learning Network calls

→ **Send that person's contact information** to Meghan Wills
(mwills@nga.org)

Questions?

Reaching Out with Questions

If you...	Contact:
Are the grant lead	Federal Project Officer
Need help registering your apprenticeship program	Apprenticeship consultant with a copy to your FPO
Are a partner in grant project	The lead for your grant
Have questions or difficulty accessing the <u>performance</u> reporting system	Apprenticeship.grants@dol.gov with a copy to your FPO
Have questions or difficulty accessing the <u>financial</u> reporting system	EBSS.help@dov.gov with a copy to your FPO
Have questions about evaluation	Apprenticeship.grants@dol.gov with a copy to your FPO
Have questions about technical assistance	NGA liaison with copy to your FPO

Thank You from the NGA team!

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