



North Carolina Community College System
North Carolina Apprenticeship Expansion
Funds

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NC Expansion Funds at a Glance

Northwest Region
\$2,837,737 Awarded
\$1,280,632 Waitlisted
168 Awards

Piedmont-Triad
\$11,542,797 Awarded
\$6,922,899 Waitlisted
625 Awards

North Central
\$1,242,497 Awarded
\$534,274 Waitlisted
63 Awards

Northeast Region
\$1,515,506 Awarded
\$948,449 Waitlisted
82 Awards

Western Region
\$1,437,289 Awarded
\$353,458 Waitlisted
84 Awards

Southwest Region
\$2,044,624 Awarded
\$1,030,386 Waitlisted
163 Awards

Sandhills Region
\$2,169,508 Awarded
\$1,621,072 Waitlisted
112 Awards

Southeast Region
\$1,775,957 Awarded
\$1,202,630 Waitlisted
88 Awards

1,385 Apprentices Awarded
155 Employers Supported
42 Community Colleges Serving Recipients

\$24,565,915 Total Awarded
\$13,893,800 Waitlisted

NC Expansion Funding Grant Guidelines

Overview

Awarded in 2021, \$12 million (less operating costs) was made available for ApprenticeshipNC to distribute funds that support and expand new apprentice registrations with employers located in Tier One and Tier Two counties. This employee investment reduces costs for training, education, and wage expenses when hiring new employees between the ages of 16 and 25.

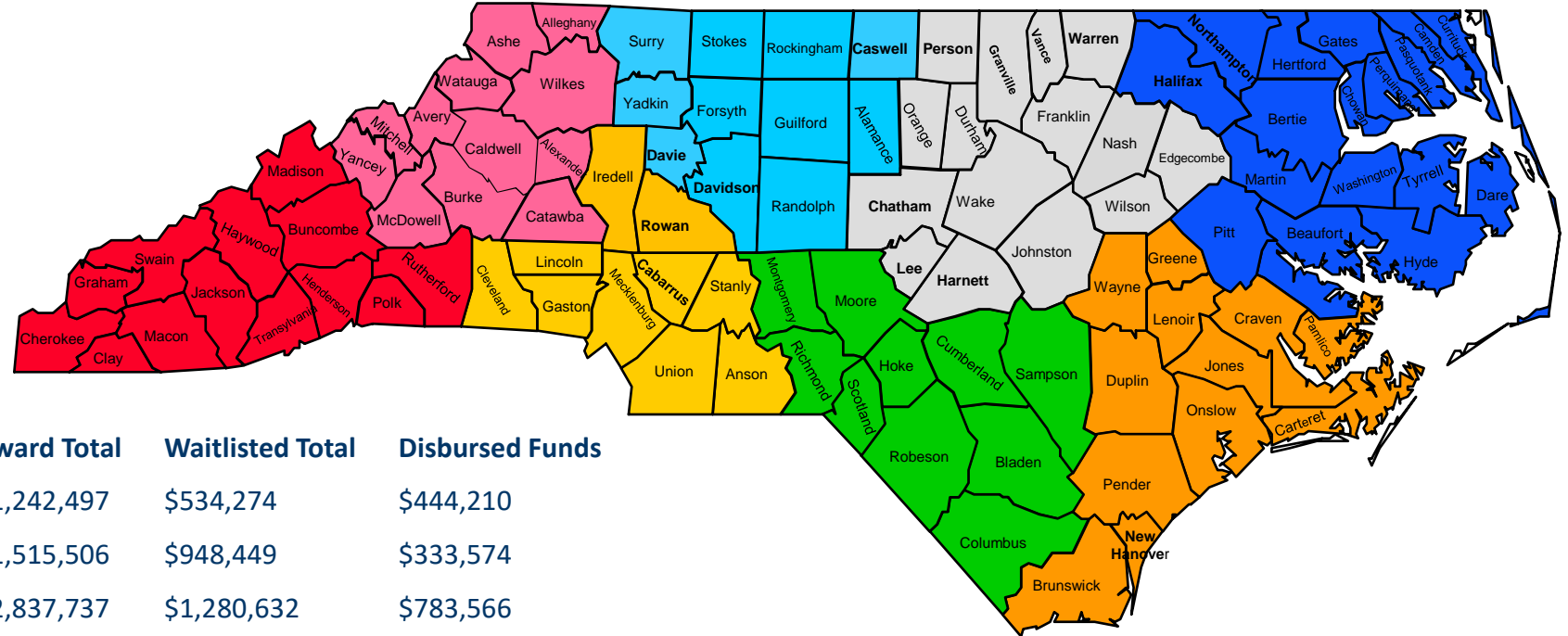
Award Categories

- \$2,500 per year up to 2 years for Community College Tuition and expenses
- 50% of the apprentice's 1st year wages
- \$2,000 per apprentice for expenses including safety equipment, training, new employee expenses, and other employer costs

Occupations qualifying for grant fund awards

- Information Technology, Computers, and Mathematics
- Architecture and Engineering
- Education
- Healthcare Technicians
- Healthcare Support
- Protective Service
- Food Preparation and Service
- Office and Administrative Support
- Construction and Extraction
- Installation, Maintenance, and Repairs
- Production
- Transportation

NC Expansion Awards by County



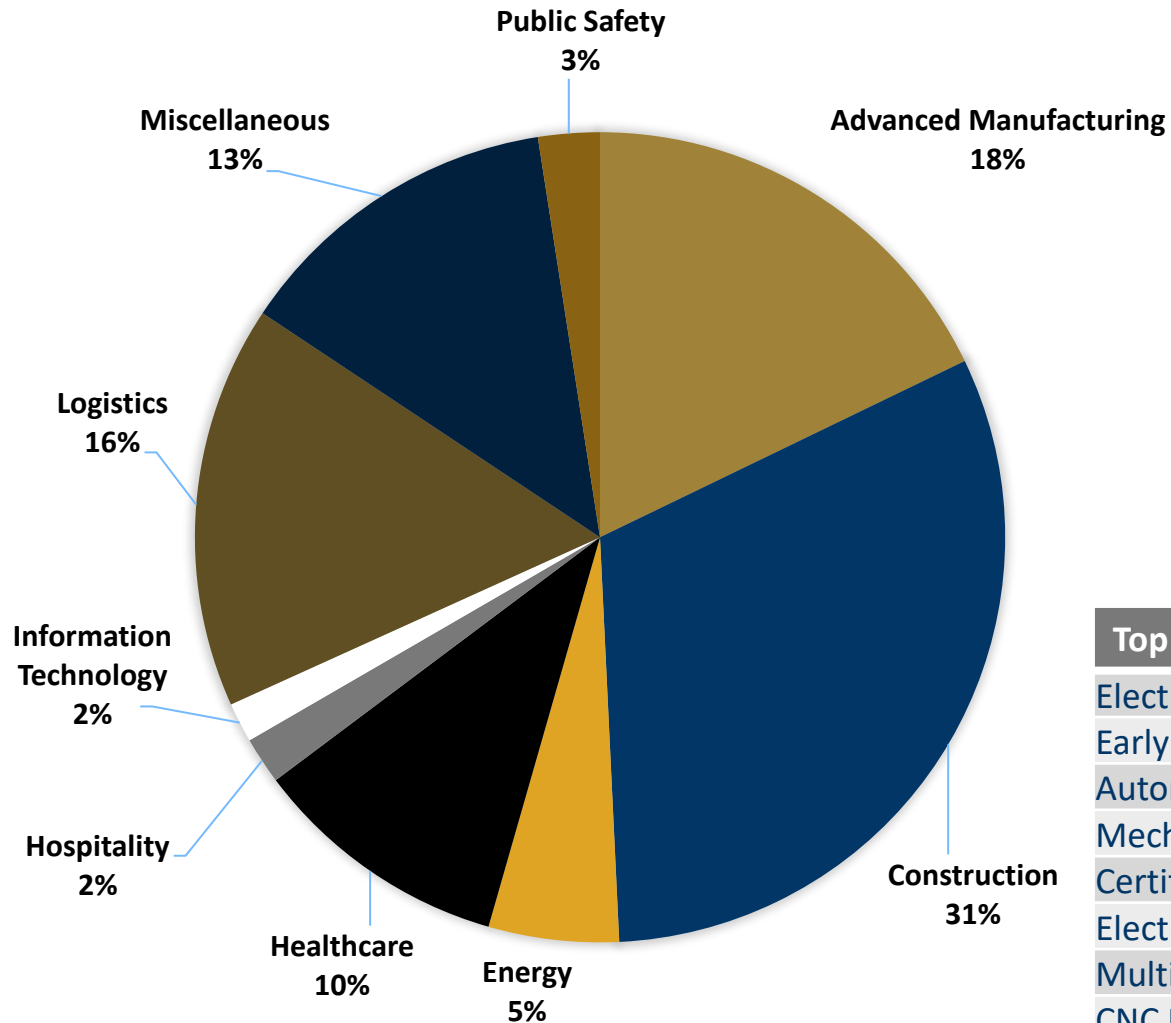
Prosperity Zone	# of Awards	Award Total	Waitlisted Total	Disbursed Funds
North Central	63	\$1,242,497	\$534,274	\$444,210
Northeast	82	\$1,515,506	\$948,449	\$333,574
Northwest	168	\$2,837,737	\$1,280,632	\$783,566
Piedmont-Triad (Central)	625	\$11,542,797	\$6,922,899	\$2,322,716
Sandhills (South Central)	112	\$2,169,508	\$1,621,072	\$280,044
Southeast	88	\$1,775,957	\$1,202,630	\$277,881
Southwest	163	\$2,044,624	\$1,030,386	\$672,475
Western	84	\$1,437,289	\$353,458	\$944,144

NC Expansion Awards By Community College

College Name	# of Awards	Award Total	Waitlist Total	Disbursement Amount
Alamance Community College	234	\$4,871,103	\$4,477,850	\$228,969
Asheville-Buncombe Technical Community College	15	\$219,413	\$63,250	\$152,127
Beaufort County Community College	12	\$133,421	\$58,985	\$75,344
Blue Ridge Community College	8	\$166,063	\$107,845	\$28,762
Caldwell Community College & Technical Institute	30	\$653,462	\$346,812	\$176,736
Cape Fear Community College	1	\$21,000	\$21,000	
Carteret Community College	45	\$876,269	\$871,920	\$1,849
Catawba Valley Community College	50	\$820,234	\$158,816	\$304,649
Central Carolina Community College	46	\$805,702	\$661,072	\$78,328
Cleveland Community College	27	\$418,262	\$171,750	\$230,549
Coastal Carolina Community College	1	\$12,000		\$12,000
College of The Albemarle	1	\$19,724	\$19,724	
Craven Community College	5	\$107,840	\$107,840	
Davidson-Davie Community College	41	\$687,884	\$421,053	\$210,713
Durham Technical Community College	1	\$24,500	\$24,500	
Fayetteville Technical Community College	48	\$1,016,779	\$688,292	\$89,461
Forsyth Technical Community College	85	\$1,601,070	\$1,068,064	\$230,212
Gaston College	68	\$468,873		\$227,210
Guilford Technical Community College	156	\$2,718,475	\$395,450	\$1,031,109
Haywood Community College	1	\$15,455	\$15,455	
Isothermal Community College	41	\$722,534	\$35,500	\$639,605
Lenoir Community College	44	\$938,682	\$678,550	\$128,311
Martin Community College	2	\$34,900		\$992
Mayland Community College	3	\$44,637		\$30,321

College Name	# of Awards	Award Total	Waitlist Total	Disbursement Amount
McDowell Technical Community College	14	\$262,069	\$108,742	\$74,989
Montgomery Community College	5	\$97,259	\$26,100	\$56,792
Nash Community College	11	\$211,540	\$133,395	\$46,745
Pitt Community College	58	\$1,138,333	\$828,785	\$158,623
Randolph Community College	33	\$498,401		\$235,105
Richmond Community College	2	\$28,988	\$19,000	\$9,988
Roanoke-Chowan Community College	9	\$207,523	\$25,500	\$134,290
Robeson Community College	26	\$459,350	\$386,760	\$70,090
Rockingham Community College	35	\$515,405	\$104,825	\$249,299
Rowan-Cabarrus Community College	8	\$113,001	\$60,675	\$26,643
Sampson Community College	7	\$145,920	\$145,920	
Sandhills Community College	8	\$119,844	\$96,000	\$11,344
South Piedmont Community College	3	\$49,491	\$40,741	\$8,750
Southeastern Community College	14	\$264,825	\$259,000	\$5,825
Southwestern Community College	15	\$242,424	\$71,000	\$104,853
Stanly Community College	32	\$524,705	\$290,982	\$183,072
Surry Community College	41	\$650,457	\$455,657	\$137,307
Tri-County Community College	1	\$15,047		\$15,047
Vance-Granville Community College	10	\$214,936	\$120,000	\$56,835
Wake Technical Community College	4	\$77,500	\$46,000	\$29,324
Wayne Community College	26	\$523,031	\$223,490	\$136,591
Western Piedmont Community College	26	\$261,237		\$176,701
Wilkes Community College	13	\$187,336	\$57,500	\$20,171
Wilson Community College	19	\$359,011		\$232,977

NC Expansion Awards By Occupation



Awards by Industry	# of Awards	Award Total	Waitlist Total
Advanced Manufacturing	247	\$4,204,824	\$2,359,179
Construction	435	\$8,042,818	\$4,204,814
Energy	72	\$2,106,056	\$1,230,714
Healthcare	143	\$1,550,682	\$742,509
Hospitality	26	\$421,938	\$289,575
Information Technology	22	\$206,035	
Logistics	223	\$4,171,563	\$2,344,580
Miscellaneous	183	\$3,067,580	\$2,343,644
Public Safety	34	\$794,420	\$378,785
Total	1385	\$24,565,915	\$13,893,800

Top 10 Occupations Receiving Awards	# of Awards	Award Total	Waitlist Total
Electrician	153	\$2,995,155	\$1,495,761
Early Childhood Educator	90	\$1,364,871	\$1,165,406
Automotive Service Technician	66	\$1,018,648	\$408,137
Mechatronics Technician	63	\$1,074,456	\$545,603
Certified Nursing Aide	60	\$271,552	\$119,250
Electrician-Mechanic I	59	\$912,161	\$452,100
Multi-skilled Maintenance Technician	53	\$1,226,022	\$788,000
CNC Machine Operator	46	\$742,350	\$350,500
Electric Lineworker (DukeEnergy)	45	\$1,468,350	\$783,120
Police Officer	21	\$486,850	\$204,605