Northeast Florida America’s Promise Project

PARTNERSHIP LEAD ORGANIZATION – FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE AT JACKSONVILLE

SERVICE AREA
FLORIDA: Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns counties; the largest city served is Jacksonville, Florida.

GOALS
★ Train 250 people for entry-level manufacturing jobs
★ Create a pipeline of talent for our manufacturing communities
★ Provide our target audience with job skills, training and employment opportunities
★ Develop educational and training partnerships with 200 manufacturers

TARGETED POPULATIONS
★ Unemployed, underemployed, and incumbent adults
★ Low-income, limited-English proficiency, disabled, military veterans and their spouses
★ Disadvantaged and under-represented populations with barriers to employment

TARGETED INDUSTRY
Advanced Manufacturing

PARTNERS
★ Employers and Industry Representatives: Anheuser-Busch; Johnson & Johnson Vision Care; Lee & Cates Glass; Special Tool Solutions; Riley Gear Corporation; First Coast Manufacturers Association; FabTech Supply; Now Hiring Heroes; Pal-King; Remedy Staffing; Florida Advanced Technological Education Center of Excellence; Ameri-Force; NOVA
★ Workforce Board: CareerSource Northeast Florida (First Coast Workforce Development Board)
★ Economic Development Agencies: JAX Chamber; JAXUSA Partnership
★ Education and Training Provider: Florida State College at Jacksonville
★ Other: United Way of Northeast Florida; Early Learning Coalition; City of Jacksonville Military Affairs and Veterans Department; Fresh Ministries; FSCJ’s Adult General Education Program; State of Florida

ACHIEVEMENTS
★ Ahead of schedule on meeting the grant deliverables
★ Have developed training & employment partnerships with 100 manufacturing companies
★ Two single mothers in our welding program graduated with their American Welding Society (AWS) Level 1 certificate and found employment
★ A deaf student completed our CNC Machinist training and obtained an OSHA 30 Hour certification

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS – INSERT THE IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF YOUR PROGRAM AND WAYS IT WILL BENEFIT THE REGION
★ Develop accelerated certificate programs to promote immediate employment opportunities.
★ Develop accelerated learning programs to align AS Advanced Engineering degrees.
★ Provide local manufacturers with short-term, certificated training opportunities.
★ Provide local manufacturers with an immediate talent pipeline to replace their aging workforce.
In August of 2018, Riley Gear, Inc. hired one of our CNC Machining graduates as a mechanical operator. Due to his education and previous experience and certifications, he was very attractive to a number of local manufacturing companies. Recently, he was approached to consider full-time teaching because of his experience, certifications and skill-set. Florida State College at Jacksonville is going to hire him as a full-time instructor for the Manufacturing and Engineering Department.