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State of California

INFORMATION NOTICE

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GRANT APPLICATION OPPORTUNITY 2019
WOMEN IN APPRENTICESHIP AND NONTRADITIONAL OCCUPATIONS

The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL), and the Employment and Training Administration (ETA), published a Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) announcing the availability of approximately $1.5 million in funds for the Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations (WANTO) grant program. Under this FOA, applicants can provide technical assistance to support women's participation and success in the full range of industries in which women are historically underrepresented, or where women are disproportionately concentrated in the lower-wage occupations.

The WANTO grant will award up to $1.5 million to community-based organizations to recruit, mentor, train, and retain more women in quality apprenticeship programs and pursue careers in manufacturing, infrastructure, cybersecurity, health care, and other industries. Grants will be awarded to up to six community-based organizations. Applicants must provide one or more of the following types of technical assistance:

- Development of pre-apprenticeship or nontraditional skills training programs to prepare women for selected careers.
- Ongoing orientations for employers, unions, and workers on creating a successful environment for women to succeed in selected careers.
- The setup of support groups, networks, and/or supportive services for women to improve retention in selected careers.

For more information about the grant opportunity, please visit the grants.gov website using opportunity number FOA-WB-19-01. For a complete description of the funds available, funders, eligibility requirements, and links to the grant application please visit DOL's Women's Bureau and the Employment and Training Administration. For information about the program, see the Department's WANTO webpage. Grant applications are due on July 8, 2019.

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