

New Orleans Workforce Development Funds

By City of New Orleans

NEW ORLEANS—The Mayor's Office of Workforce Development (OWD) has released a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for organizations to develop programs that build a sustainable workforce for the next generation.

The project, entitled Investments in Workforce Development, is funded by \$7.4 million of the city's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) allocation. Through ARPA, the City of New Orleans has committed \$194 million to fund priority projects that meet the needs of our community, strengthen our local social safety net and build a safer, healthier community for the future.

The deadline to apply for available funding is Monday, February 5, 2024. A virtual information session will be held for interested applicants on Monday, January 22, 2024.

"The future of our economy relies on a competitive, knowledgeable, and highly skilled workforce," said OWD Director Sunae Villavaso. "This NOFA will enhance our goal of supporting

organizations in developing programs that empower individuals negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic with the skills, certifications, and support necessary to embark on career trajectories with family-sustaining wages that bolster their long-term social and economic mobility."

Areas targeted for investment include but are not limited to:

- Programs that provide opportunities and pathways for youth and young adult workforce development
- Programs that support and enhance New Orleans' green infrastructure, sustainability, and resilience industries
- Programs that build upon New Orleans' rich history of cultural and performing arts
- Support for individuals with barriers to employment, such as transportation, financial literacy, or identification and documentation challenges
- Support for current and future educators to access the training and certification
- Programs that upskill, retrain, and support workers for in-demand jobs



The city encourages innovative proposals beyond those enumerated above that enhance the employment prospects for our community now and in the future. For further information and updates on the city's ARPA investments and

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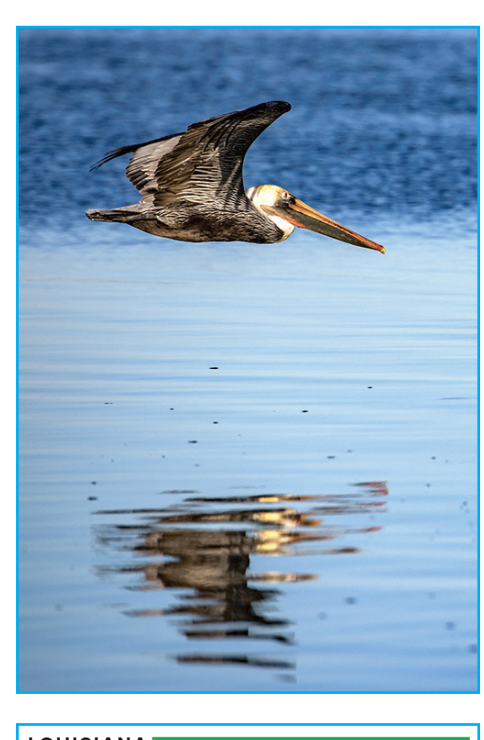
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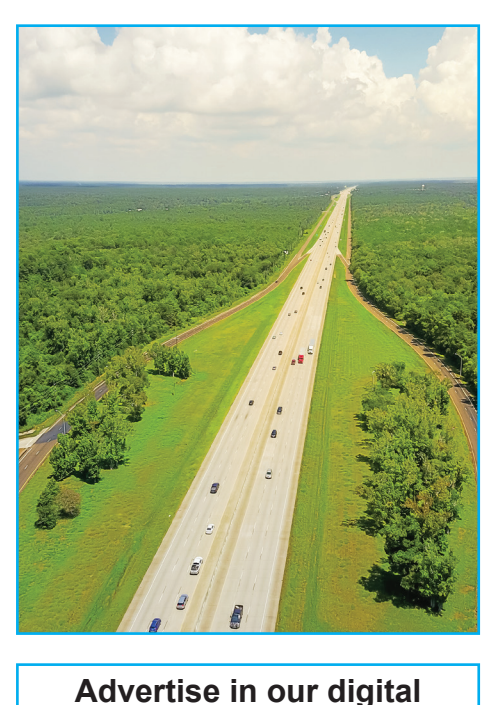
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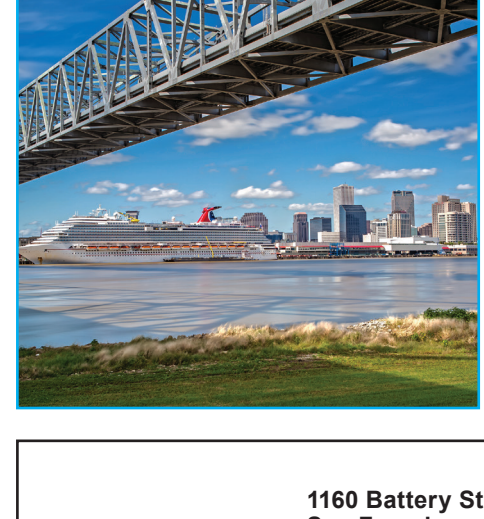
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Main Sponsor(s): US Small Business Administration
Contact: SBA Illinois District Office, 312-353-4528, illinois.do@sba.gov
Fee: Free; registration required
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Federal Contracting: Woman-Owned Small Business (WOSB) Program Webinar
Thursday, January 18, 2024, 9:00 am–10:00 am CDT Online
Main Sponsor(s): US Small Business Administration
Contact: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/welcome-to-wosb-webinar-tickets-482397041537>
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Main Sponsor(s): US Small Business Administration
Contact: George Tapia, 610-382-3086, george.tapia@sba.gov
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