

EVERGLADES TRAINING PROGRAM

As the workforce needs of our state change, opportunities for new skills training for residents is important to maintain and to grow our communities. The Everglades Training Program is designed to meet these changing workforce training needs. The Florida Legislature created and funded the Everglades Training Program to provide tuition grants and employer-based grants for nonagricultural occupational training.

EVERGLADES TRAINING PROGRAM TUITION GRANT

WHAT?

Tuition Grant applied for by private and public technical or vocational schools on behalf of eligible students for training in nonagricultural occupations. Tuition grants may be requested for up to the cost of attendance including tuition and fees, equipment, supplies, books and other fees directly associated with participation and completion of the training program.

WHO?

Private and public technical or vocational schools may apply on behalf of eligible students for training in nonagricultural occupations.

Student eligibility:

- Must be a United States (U.S) citizen or non-citizen whose status permits employment in the U.S.,
- Must be currently enrolled in a training program for an in-demand nonagricultural occupation at a public or private technical or vocational school at the time the application is submitted, and
- Must currently reside, and have resided, in Hendry or Palm Beach counties for at least three years between 2013-2018.

HOW TO APPLY?

Private and public technical or vocational schools may apply online at www.FloridaJobs.org/EvergladesTrainingProgram.

Students interested in applying should contact their private and public technical or vocational schools for assistance.



EVERGLADES TRAINING PROGRAM EMPLOYER-BASED TRAINING GRANT

WHAT?

Employer-Based Training Grant applied for by businesses to provide nonagricultural training. Training programs must provide skills training, or upgrading, for in-demand nonagricultural occupations.

Funds may be used to cover curriculum development, cost of hiring instructors, materials, equipment, overhead costs and administrative costs directly associated with new and existing training programs.

Employers must provide training through a training provider which includes a university, college, public or private technical or vocational institution, private training company, private instructor or a company employee who is qualified to provide instruction that leads to a diploma or industry-recognized certificate.

Businesses must provide matching funds, on a one-to-one ratio, with the amount requested from DEO. Matching funds may be in-kind, private funding, etc.

Employer-based training programs must be conducted in Florida.

WHO?

Priority will be given to businesses in Hendry and Palm Beach counties. Second priority will be given to businesses in Collier, Glades, Highlands and Okeechobee counties.

HOW TO APPLY?

Businesses may apply online at www.FloridaJobs.org/EvergladesTrainingProgram.

