Grantee: College of Southern Idaho

Industry Focus: Law Enforcement, Healthcare, and Advanced Manufacturing

Key Partners: State Workforce Development Council; Idaho Department of Labor; Twin Falls School District; St. Luke's Magic Valley Regional Medical Center; Workforce Development Alliance; Elmore County Hospital; Twin Falls Chamber of Commerce; City of Jerome Police Department; Twin Falls County Sheriff Department; and Intermountain Orthopedic Clinic.

Grant Amount: \$1,995,673

Leveraged Amount: \$1,229,604

Location of Grant Activities: South Central Idaho

Challenge: Limited skilled workers and capacity constraints in Idaho affect a number of critical professions including law enforcement, radiological technology, dental hygiene, and metal fabrication and welding. The region will benefit from increasing course offerings and education system capacity.

Addressing the Challenge: Workforce Solutions for the Digital Age will identify and remediate workforce delivery constraints by using distance education formats, such as telecommunications and on-line technology. The College of Southern Idaho will improve institutional capacity to deliver curricula reflective of current and future industry practice in law enforcement, radiological technology, and digital imaging; increase the number of new programs available to meet regional labor needs in healthcare; increase the talent pool in metal fabrication and welding; and increase information dissemination and replication of the projects to other communities statewide and nationally.

Projected Outcomes:

- 1424 participants will be served.
- Each year there will be 18 Law Enforcement graduates; 14 Radiological Technology graduates; 10 Dental Hygiene graduates; and 40 Metal Fabrication or Welding Technology graduates.
- 400 participants will complete on-line instruction in core coursework.