

Several persons have asked if proposals that emphasize or are exclusively focused on workforce development are eligible. There is no prohibition against proposals that emphasize or are strictly workforce development. Nonetheless, the Corporation is seeking proposals: a) where workforce development is part of a larger group of activities to build a cluster; or b) complement and focus on other cluster building activities. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Projects to strengthen cluster organizations
- Projects to build up cluster specific information exchange or networking opportunities in a specific space
- Cluster-focused research initiatives to understand market or provide data on specific growth opportunities
- Projects to enhance tech transfer in cluster-relevant areas
- Cluster focused marketing initiatives for multiple firms
- Cluster-oriented supply chain development
- The purchase of and making accessible shared equipment or other infrastructure

All proposals should provide benefits to the cluster as a whole.