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Vermont HITEC and Institute for American Apprenticeships join with Training Funding Partners and announce a new name: JobForward

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For 25 years Vermont Healthcare and Information Technology Education Center (Vermont HITEC) and the Institute for American Apprenticeships (IAA), have provided workforce and apprenticeship services to job seekers, employers, professional associations, and government agencies. As of January 1, 2025, Vermont HITEC joined forces with TFP Group, Inc. dba Training Funding Partners (TFP), a workforce funding and consulting firm located in Huntington Beach, California. The new corporate name, ***JobForward***, represents the combination of the strengths of the two organizations.

“The joining of the two organizations will enable us to expand the services we offer to new and existing clients and tap into the knowledge and expertise of our combined staff. The new name, JobForward, is representative of this expansion of services and abilities. In the coming months you’ll begin to see the inspiration behind our new brand and how it will reflect the impact that the new organization will have in apprenticeship, talent pipeline, and workforce funding,” states Matthew McKenney, President and Chief Executive Officer of Vermont HITEC.

“We’re thrilled to be joining with Vermont HITEC under the JobForward brand. Both organizations are committed to continue providing the highest level of service to our current clients and joint clients as we make the transition and offer an expanded array of offerings to both new and existing clients,” stated Julianna Kirby, President and Chief Executive Officer at Training Funding Partners.

I*About Vermont HITEC*

*Vermont HITEC, doing business as Institute for American Apprenticeships (IAA) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with a mission to educate, train and employ job seekers in a variety of fields. Since 2000, IAA has been engaged in apprenticeship activities in 46 states and territories and on a national level, which has led to employment for countless job seekers in the fields of health care, information technology, advanced manufacturing, business services, infrastructure, and renewable energy. IAA also consults with employers and other organizations around the country to assist with the development of apprenticeship programs. Learn more at* [*https://iaahitec.org*](https://iaahitec.org)*.*

*About Training Funding Partners*

*Training Funding Partners (TFP) is a California Corporation founded in 2001 that serves clients nationally and works with state, federal and local agencies and partners to develop programs and support its clients’ workforce development and talent pipeline development needs. TFP has worked with programs in over 18 states, including California, Texas, Florida, Colorado, North Dakota, and Michigan. Learn more at https://tfpgroup.com.*