

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)

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Registered Apprenticeship

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The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) is a great resource provided by each regional workforce development board that is able to assist Registered Apprenticeship program sponsors and apprentices that qualify. There are three types of benefits that WIOA funding can provide:

1. **Individual Training Accounts (ITAs)** – Money on an individual basis to cover classroom training costs. This could benefit the apprentice or the program sponsor depending on who is responsible for the cost.
2. **On-the-Job Training (OJT) Contracts** – This is a benefit to the employer. For individual apprentices who qualify, a portion of their OJT costs (i.e., salary) is reimbursed to the employer.
3. **Supportive Services** – This is a benefit for the apprentice. If an apprentice qualifies, they may receive supportive services which include assistance for transportation, child care, tools, uniforms, textbooks, or other costs they are responsible for that would otherwise hinder their ability to join the program.

