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Manufacturing Month: DETR Elevates Workforce Training Support for Nevada Manufacturers

Carson City, NV — The Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation ([DETR](#)) is proud to join partners across the state in celebrating Manufacturing Month by recognizing the vital role the industry plays in Nevada's economy and by reminding employers and career seekers of available workforce funding to support skills training.

Nevada's manufacturing sector continues to grow, driven by advanced technologies, new investment, and increased demand for a skilled workforce. Current manufacturing employment in Nevada stands at 68,600 jobs as of September 2026, with the industry projected to add 10,000 new positions through 2034. Manufacturing continues to be one of the state's strongest wage-earning sectors, offering an average annual wage of \$105,005, which translates to an average of \$2,019 per week. These figures underscore the critical role manufacturing plays in Nevada's economy and highlight the significant opportunities available to workers entering or advancing within this high-demand field.

To support this momentum, DETR is encouraging employers to leverage training resources available through DETR's EmployNV workforce system to access programs designed to upskill workers, support employer training needs, and expand access to high-quality career pathways.

"We want every manufacturing employer in Nevada to know that there are resources that are available to them," said DETR Director Christopher Sewell. "Whether you're hiring, training, or expanding, DETR offers programs designed to support your success. We invite businesses to tap into these services and build a stronger workforce together."

Over the past year, DETR has supported Nevada manufacturers hosting hiring events, posting hundreds of manufacturing job openings, and provided access to incentive-based programs such as On-the-Job Training (OJT), Work Experience (WEX), Silver State Works (SSW), and Worker Upskilling (WU). These programs reduce onboarding costs, accelerate employee readiness, and help workers qualify for higher-wage positions.

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“Worker Upskilling (WU) opened doors for me to advance my career,” said Foliot Furniture employee Hongxian Xiang. “The training gave me skills I never thought I’d have access to, and it has already made a difference in my confidence and the quality of my work. I am grateful to have gone through this opportunity, and I hope others take advantage of it as well.”

"At Foliot Furniture, we firmly believe that our people are our greatest strength, and investing in their growth and development is one of our core values. Several of our employees completed advanced equipment operations training through the College of Southern Nevada, and we're already seeing gains in production efficiency," said Véronique Larose, CRHA, Human Resources Director at Foliot Furniture. "This investment in workforce development is also opening new doors for our team, helping employees grow professionally while contributing to the continued success of our organization."

Expanding Apprenticeships and Training Access

DETR's Governor's College Credit through Apprenticeship Program (G-CCAP) funding at TMCC, CSN and WNC supports registered apprenticeships in Nevada, particularly in the attainment of postsecondary course credit and credentials, as a part of an apprentices' related technical instruction (RTI) by providing specialized training that prepares students for employment as a journeyman in apprenticeships through a combination of on-the-job training and related classroom instruction on high-skilled occupations. DETR also provided funding for up to 1,500 apprentices enrolling in the Tesla Manufacturing Development Program (MDP) program at TMCC. In partnership with Clark County School District and manufacturing sector partners, DETR supports outreach efforts to introduce middle and high school students to manufacturing careers and the training required to enter the field.

DETR has also partnered with industry leaders to support the Governor's Office of Workforce Innovation (OWINN) in reviewing and updating industry-recognized certifications, ensuring training stays current with industry standards.

Nevada employers interested in training support, hiring assistance, or partnership opportunities can learn more about resources by contacting their local EmployNV office. Foliot Furniture and DETR staff are available for interviews.

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About EmployNV:

EmployNV is Nevada's comprehensive career and workforce support system developed as a partnership between the Department of Employment, Training & Rehabilitation, Nevadaworks

and Workforce Connections. A complete list of federal funding sources as required by the Stevens Amendment can be found at: https://detr.nv.gov/page/stevens_amendment.