

PROJECT ABSTRACT

Name, City, and State of Applicant: University of North Georgia (UNG), Dahlonega, Georgia.

Project Objectives and Activities: **1)** 70 eligible HEP students served each project year through extensive outreach, recruitment, and advocacy; **2)** 69% of UNG HEP students will attain their GED (GPRA 1) by providing an array of academic and student support services including orientation, bilingual classes, tutoring, and cultural activities; **3)** 80% of UNG HEP graduates will gain or upgrade employment, will be placed in an institute of higher education or other post-secondary education or training, or will enlist in the military (GPRA 2) through assistance with educational program applications and job applications, and an array of career development workshops and other follow-up services; **4)** 100% of UNG HEP graduates will be provided with training and opportunities to foster flexible and affordable paths to obtaining knowledge and skills through career coaching, career-based workshops/aides, and referrals to continue education to ensure student learning objectives are aligned with the skills or knowledge required for employment in in-demand local industries sectors or occupations. **Proposed Project Outcomes:** **1)** Raised awareness of GED educational opportunities among MSFWs and their immediate family members; and **2)** Ensure the success of UNG HEP students and providing post-GED placement. **Number of Participants Served Annually:** 70 students. **Number and Location of Sites:** Three physical sites at the UNG Gainesville Campus in Oakwood, GA, UNG Blue Ridge Campus in Blue Ridge, GA, and the UNG Oconee Campus in Watkinsville, GA. **Applicable Priorities:** **Competitive Preference Priority 1** – Fostering Flexible and Affordable Paths to Obtaining Knowledge and Skills, **Competitive Preference Priority 2** – Consideration of Prior Experience.