



Removing Barriers to Career Education and Job Training Programs in Lee County

FutureMakers Coalition, in collaboration with the Lee Technical Colleges, would like to request your support and investment in our collective workforce training efforts to recruit, enroll, retain, and ultimately place credentialed, skilled workers in in-demand jobs locally and support economic development in Lee County.

We kindly request an investment of \$150,000 to support student success in the workforce training programs at Cape Coral Technical College and Fort Myers Technical College. Your support will help us eliminate financial barriers for students, while also helping us make a wider audience aware of our successful “career in a year” model through targeted recruitment efforts.

Areas of Support:

- 1) Scholarships
- 2) Gap and Emergency Funding
- 3) Targeted Recruitment and Marketing Efforts

Funding Request:

- Cape Coral Technical College – \$40,000
- Fort Myers Technical College – \$60,000
 - Also supports FMTC extension campus Southwest Florida Public Service Academy
- FutureMakers Support – \$50,000
 - Graduate! SWFL Navigator Services – Recruiting adults who need to reskill or upskill and working to remove barriers to completion
 - Reporting

These funds will complement the funds provided by the \$22.9 million grant awarded from the US EDA.