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## Advanced Manufacturing Sector Committee Workforce Innovation for Tulare County

### Our Focus

The TCWIB Advanced Manufacturing Sector Committee is one of five high growth sector collaboratives that addresses the employment and training needs of businesses and job seekers in Tulare County. The goal is to serve in an advisory capacity to provide input and feedback to the Tulare County Workforce Investment Board. This information is used to prioritize funding for workforce training, and to develop assessment strategies, learning opportunities, standards, curriculum, and partnerships for business and industry, workforce development professionals, job seekers, curriculum planners, educators, and labor.

### Quick Facts

- Among private sector employers in Tulare County, manufacturing ranks only slightly behind agriculture and healthcare in employment.
- It is generally accepted, however, that manufacturing offers higher salaries, particularly entry-level earnings, than many other sectors, while maintaining higher direct and indirect economic impacts, on average.
- Manufacturing accounted for approximately 11,400 jobs in Tulare County in 2009, with average annual earnings of more than \$53,000, totaling more than \$600 million.
- Additionally, the average annual manufacturing output in Tulare County is approximately \$3.7 billion.
- Manufacturing jobs will increase 16% in Tulare County by 2019.

### Our Goals

- Create countywide manufacturing organization.
- Develop pre-apprentice/work-study program for high growth occupations.
- Organize quarterly manufacturing forums to discuss broader issues in manufacturing.
- Create career mapping/pathways for manufacturing jobs, including WorkKeys applications to existing jobs.



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