

2023 Connect Appalachia, A Recovery-Friendly Initiative

PROJECT SNAPSHOT



GRANTEE Upper Cumberland Development District



STATES IMPACTED

Tennessee, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, Virginia, and West Virginia



ARC FUNDING **\$265,607**



PARTNERS

Upper Cumberland Human Resource Agency, Wilkes Recovery Revolution, Inc., Kentucky Chamber of Commerce, West Virginia Chamber of Commerce, Tennessee Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Fletcher Group, New River Mount Rogers Workforce Development Board, Highland Rivers Behavioral Health Foundation, Recovery Friendly NC, First Tennessee Development District, Southwest Virginia Workforce Board



ANNOUNCEMENT DATE
September 2023

PROJECT SUMMARY

This project will create a comprehensive substance use disorder (SUD) recovery-to-work employer toolkit that can be implemented by both large and small employers across 202 counties in six Appalachian states. Partners will formulate a delivery model by working with various state chambers of commerce to reach each state's largest employers, and local development districts and community-based recovery organizations to reach smaller employers.

Upper Cumberland Development District and partners bring \$281,833 in matching funds to this project. The project will generate one plan, serve 60 businesses, and 202 communities over the course of 12 months.

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