

## Building the Aerospace Workforce Pipeline in Appalachia

## **PROJECT SNAPSHOT**



GRANTEE **Morehead State University** 



STATES IMPACTED **Kentucky, West Virginia** 



ARC FUNDING **\$3,980,996** 



**PARTNERS** 

Morehead State University Space Science Center (SSC), Morehead State University Center for STEM+eXcellence, Dataseam, West Virginia Small Satellite Center, TMC Technologies, West Virginia Space Grants Consortium, West Virginia Public Education Collaborative



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December 2024

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## **PROJECT SUMMARY**

Morehead State University will use ARISE funding to expand their SpaceTrek initiative, which addresses deficits in the region's aerospace workforce and encourages participation in the sector. In Kentucky and West Virginia, academic institutions will collaborate with industry partners to implement the SpaceTrek summer program and SpacePrep explorations workshops. These programs will introduce pre-college students to higher education opportunities and careers in aerospace, and provide immersive experience in aerospace subdisciplines, including electronics, telecommunications, data analysis, and other elements of space missions.

Morehead State University and partners bring a combined \$1,771,814 in matching funds to this project. Partners will serve 2,966 participants across 107 counties through the SpacePrep and SpaceTrek programs over the three-year performance period.