ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAM FACT SHEET
REPORTING PERIOD: JULY 1, 2018 - JUNE 30, 2019

Purpose: Adult education programs in South Carolina assist adults in building skills and earning credentials that lead to postsecondary education, sustainable employment, and economic self-sufficiency.

Employer Skill Needs: In 2020, 65% of all jobs in the United States will require some level of postsecondary education. It is projected that, in 2020, the United States will be short an estimated 7.5 million private sector workers across all skill levels.

OUR PERFORMANCE

High School Credentials awarded to those enrolled in our program

3,235

Individuals improving one or more skill levels

6,462

INDIVIDUALS IN NEED OF ADULT EDUCATION SERVICES

365,850 54,587

Number of working-age adults (18-64) in the state without a high school credential

Number of adults in the state who do not speak English well or at all

OUR FUNDING

8,421,336 FEDERAL

Our learners have the most barriers to employment and literacy, yet we receive limited funding compared to the $10,000 per pupil received by elementary education.

OUR ENROLLMENT

21,613

Adult student populations, as defined by the National Reporting System (NRS):

Adult Basic Education (ABE): Grade Levels 0-8.9

Adult Secondary Education (ASE): Grade Levels 9-12

English Language Acquisition (ELA): ELA Students are those for whom English is not their native language

Number of enrolled students served in correctional educational programs: 2,178

Sources: American Community Survey, 2013-17, 5-year estimate; National Reporting System; Recovery by Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce; Annie E. Casey Foundation Kids Count Data Center

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