



*The Maryland Department of Labor  
announces the*

# 2021 Maryland Apprenticeship Awards



**Nominations accepted now through October 22, 2021.**



More than ever, apprenticeships are helping Maryland employers develop a highly-skilled workforce and are offering workers an outstanding opportunity to earn while they learn. The Maryland Department of Labor (MD Labor) is introducing the Maryland Apprenticeship Awards to recognize exemplary participants in Maryland apprenticeships and highlight apprenticeship as an outstanding workforce development model.

## **NOMINATION and AWARD PROCESS**

Complete the online nomination form [here](#).

Self-nominations and nominations made by others are welcomed. Nominations from all industries, backgrounds, and areas of the state are strongly encouraged.

Award winners will be announced during the statewide celebration of National Apprenticeship Week, November 15-21, 2021.

## **GUIDELINES**

Nominees must be in good standing with the U.S. Department of Labor and MD Labor to be considered.

All Registered Apprenticeships and Youth Apprenticeships are approved through MD Labor's Maryland Apprenticeship and Training Council.

More information on requirements for Registered Apprenticeships in Maryland is available at [www.labor.maryland.gov/employment/appr/](http://www.labor.maryland.gov/employment/appr/)

More information on requirements for Youth Apprenticeship in Maryland is available at [www.labor.maryland.gov/employment/appr/youthappr.shtml](http://www.labor.maryland.gov/employment/appr/youthappr.shtml).

## **AWARD CATEGORIES**

MD Labor is seeking nominations for outstanding apprenticeship activities in 5 categories:

- **Apprentice** - A Registered Apprentice will be recognized based on his/her contributions to an organization and successful progress in the Registered Apprenticeship program.
- **Business** - A Business that participates in Registered Apprenticeship will be recognized based on its contributions to apprentice success and the industry that it represents.
- **Program** - A Program will be recognized based on its meaningful contributions to Registered Apprenticeship, including support for apprentices, effectiveness in meeting the training and industry needs of an employer, and an overall contribution to the Maryland economy.
- **Mentor/Journey person** - A mentor/journey person will be recognized for outstanding mentorship and his/her contributions to guiding an apprentice in the Registered Apprenticeship program's on-the-job learning. The awardee will be recognized for his/her contributions to the apprentice and to overall organizational success.
- **Youth Apprenticeships** - An outstanding member of the Youth Apprenticeship community will be recognized for his/her exemplary effort to support Maryland's youth through involvement in the Apprenticeship Maryland Program.

For more information on the **2021 Maryland Apprenticeship Awards** or assistance completing the nomination form, please contact [dlwdalcommunications-labor@maryland.gov](mailto:dlwdalcommunications-labor@maryland.gov).