

## Building Alaska's Skilled Workforce



Reauthorizing TVEP – HB 100 - Invests in workforce development and stabilizes Alaska's economy for future growth

## **Legacy of Job Training Success**

The University of Alaska strongly supports a multiyear extension of the Technical Vocational Education Program (TVEP). The Alaska Legislature established TVEP in 2000, designating a portion of Unemployment Insurance receipts for career and technical education. Funds are distributed to the University of Alaska (UA) and other regional training centers across the state.

Growing a strong workforce is at the core of the university's mission. UA's TVEP program delivers targeted career and technical education in high-demand industries such as aviation, construction, fisheries, health, information technology, maritime, mining, and oil & gas. Since its inception, TVEP has provided job training for tens of thousands of Alaskans. Action by the Legislature is needed to continue this success, and prevent the program from sunsetting in July 2021. UA supports passage of HB 100 and the reauthorization of this vital workforce program.

## Alaskans Trained for Alaska's Needs

UA is Alaska's largest and most comprehensive workforce provider, offering more than 200 career and technical education programs. We actively partner with stakeholders to be responsive to workforce needs and expand access to education. UA prepares Alaskans for jobs and career advancement across our state's six economic regions.



## **UA Programs Get Results**

Through TVEP, the University of Alaska has substantially grown our state's workforce through thirteen community campuses and distance delivery. Our programs provide Alaskans a path for upward mobility by earning a certification or degree, to obtain employment and advance their careers. Examples include:

- Train hundreds of Alaskans for jobs in the oil & gas and mining sectors
- Graduate 900 nursing and health professionals annually
- Expand Alaska Hire 96.3% of UA graduates stay and work in Alaska
- Grow Wages UA graduates across nine highdemand industries saw average salary increase of 39% in five years
- Expand pathways through dual enrollment, apprenticeship and competency-based training