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Workforce Development Council approves internships

PIERRE, S.D. – The South Dakota Department of Labor’s [Workforce Development Council](#) met yesterday in Pierre for its quarterly meeting and approved four businesses for Dakota Seeds-funded internships.

[Dakota Seeds](#) is part of the [Workforce 2025](#) initiative designed to create new internships and assistantships in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Funding is available to assist with the wages of employees.

Dakota Seeds will provide grants covering up to one-half of a position's wages, with a maximum of \$2,000 for undergraduate or graduate student internships, and \$8,000 for master’s degree students, and \$10,000 for PhD students who are working as research and development assistants.

Employers approved for grants included:

- Mabee Eye Clinic, Mitchell – \$2,000
- Secure Banking Solutions, Madison – \$16,000
- FourFront Design, Rapid City – \$10,000
- Premier Source, Brookings – \$2,000

The Council was formed in 1994 to plan and evaluate [job training and education programs](#) in South Dakota and to advise the Governor on its findings. Another function is to set policy and oversee implementation of the [Workforce Investment Act](#).

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