



Michigan House Labor and Economic Opportunity Appropriations Subcommittee

A foundational overview of Team Up Academy's mission to create pathways to skilled employment and economic growth

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Team Up Academy

Team Up Academy Foundation is a nonprofit organization launched in 2018 and dedicated to providing vocational training and job placement services to veterans, returning citizens, and underserved communities in Michigan. With a focus on high-demand industries like automotive, aerospace, and advanced manufacturing, Team Up Academy equips individuals with the technical and soft skills needed to secure sustainable, rewarding careers.



About Team Up Academy

Founded by John Bones - 2018

John Bones is an entrepreneur and advocate for workforce development.

Located in Warren, Michigan

Team Up Academy is based in the city of Warren, Michigan.

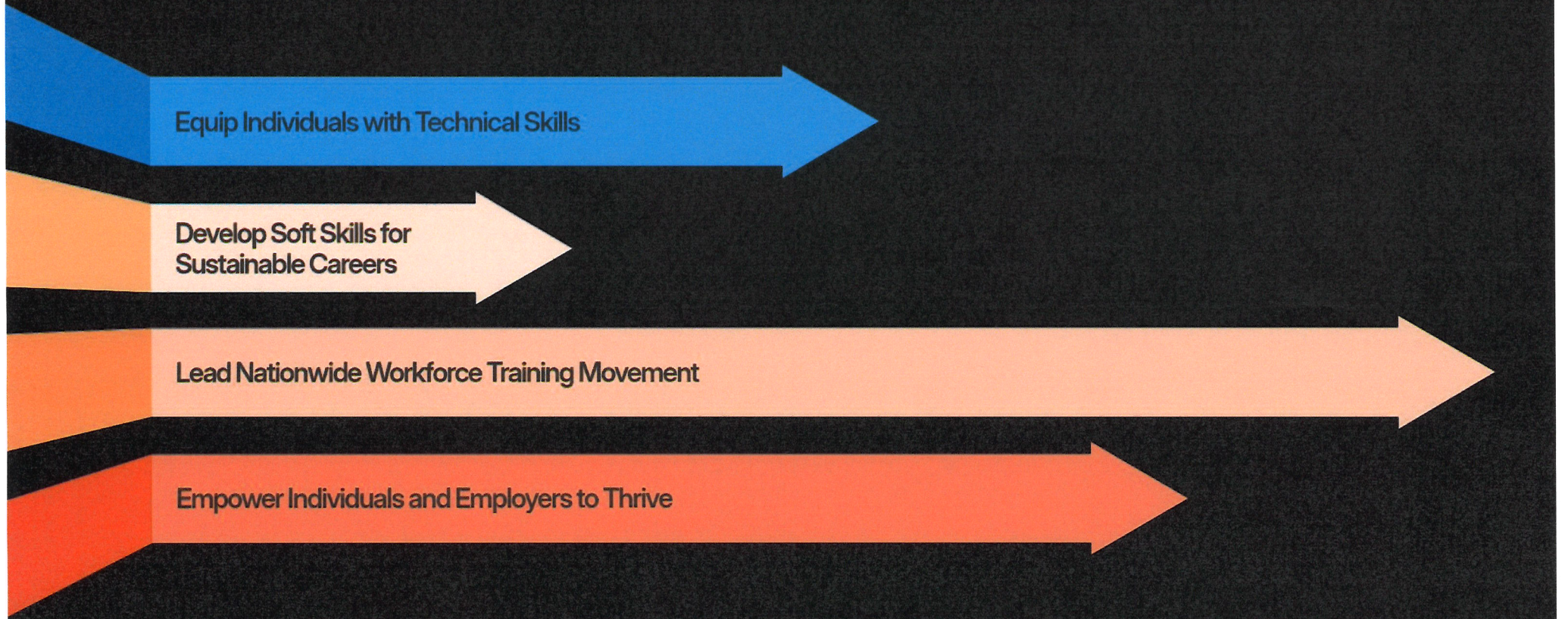
Dedicated to Vocational Training

Team Up Academy is focused on providing vocational training and job placement for veterans, returning citizens, and underserved communities.

High-Demand Industries

The organization addresses critical skill gaps in automotive, aerospace, robotics, welding, and advanced manufacturing industries.

Mission and Vision



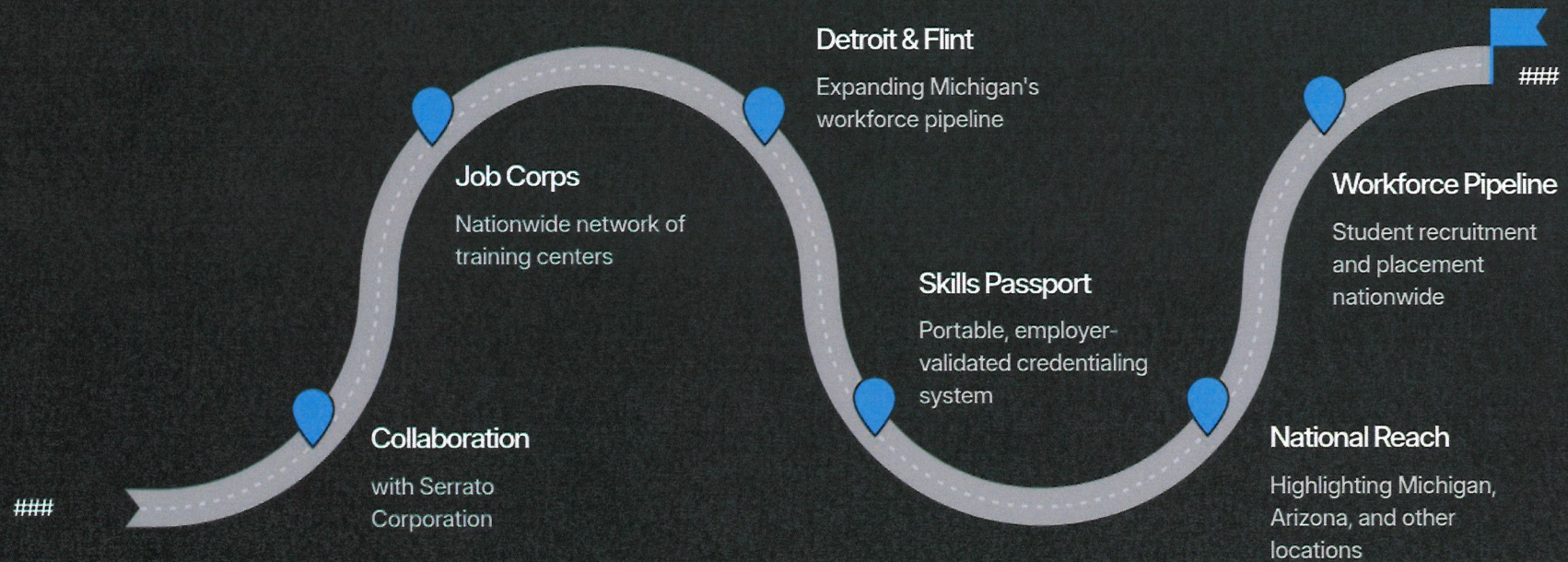
Equip Individuals with Technical Skills

Develop Soft Skills for
Sustainable Careers

Lead Nationwide Workforce Training Movement

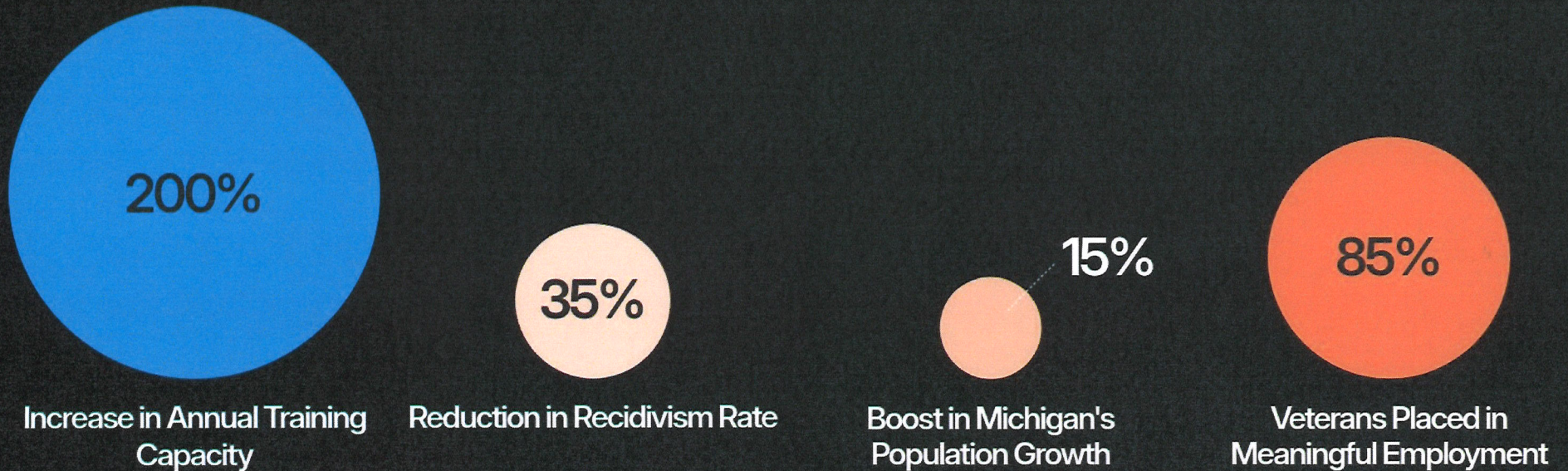
Empower Individuals and Employers to Thrive

National Partnerships



Why Invest in Team Up Academy?

Estimated economic impact and social benefits of investing in Team Up Academy



The Appropriations Ask

Allocation	Amount
Enhanced Bootcamp and Advanced Technical Training	\$360,000
Major Equipment Upgrades (CNC, Swiss Machines, Lathes, Welding)	\$250,000
Transportation, Housing, Meal, and Student Relocation Support	\$120,000
LMSW Mentorship Program	\$40,000
Tools and Equipment Supplies	\$31,400

Appropriations Request

Michigan: Investing in Team Up Academy

Team Up Academy's comprehensive approach to workforce development, strong national partnerships, and proven track record of positive impact make it a highly compelling investment opportunity for the state of Michigan. By funding the organization's request, the state can address critical skills gaps, boost economic growth, and position Michigan as a leader in workforce innovation.

Thank You

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