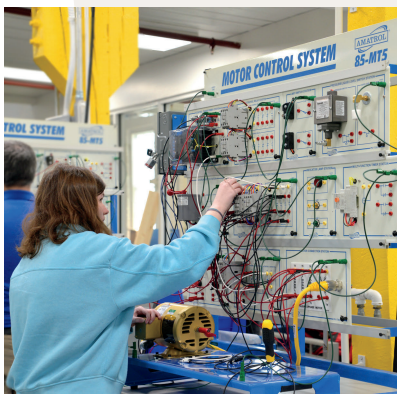


# SOUTHERN VIRGINIA HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER



Opportunity Lives Here

## 2024 YEAR IN REVIEW



**949**

Students enrolled FY24



**583**

Credentials & certificates awarded



**56,217**

Training and tutoring hours delivered

### MISSION

Advancing Southern Virginia's economic potential through education, innovation, and collaboration

**EDUCATED & TRAINED  
WORKFORCE**



**INCREASED ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT  
OPPORTUNITIES**



**STRONGER VIRGINIA  
ECONOMY**



## Nursing Center Rebrands to Healthcare Training Hub



After 16 years in operation as the Center of Nursing Excellence, the SVHEC rebranded its healthcare training facility and simulation lab as the Healthcare Training Hub. The new name coincides with significant upgrades to our healthcare training and simulation facility and reflects a broader focus on training for health careers beyond nursing – including high-demand roles such as medical assistants, EMTs and more.

The Healthcare Training Hub serves students in nursing degree programs at local colleges and professionals pursuing careers or training in related healthcare fields.

## Partnerships with Local Colleges & Orgs Expand Offerings

As a community-focused higher education center, SVHEC has long fostered strong partnerships with local institutions to expand program offerings to meet the needs of the region.

- Our Career Tech Academy program – geared toward high school juniors and seniors – partnered with SOVA RISE Collaborative in South Boston to add an entrepreneurship pathway to the Year 2 Work-Based Learning program.
- Partnerships with Danville Community College (DCC) added three new programs for career training: Certified Clinical Medical Assistant, Emergency Medical Technician and Industrial Maintenance – Electrical & Instrumentation.
- Another partnership with SVCC expanded access to the SVHEC's Welding program, one of our most in-demand programs. Welding@SVHEC now offers options for both for-credit and non-credit enrollment.



## ProductWorks Designs Orange Krush 200 Trophy



SVHEC's ProductWorks put its work on full display with a commissioned trophy for the Orange Krush 200 race sponsored by Rogers Heating & Cooling. The Orange Krush 200 is a prestigious invitational NASCAR Late Model Stock race hosted at the Orange County Speedway in Rougemont, North Carolina. The trophy includes a scaled topographical model of the Speedway, scaled epoxy-cast late-model stock cars, and a riser adorned with the Rogers logo.

### Did You Know...?

ProductWorks is the Commonwealth of Virginia's only single-source location for product design and development services.



## SVAHEC Holds Health-Related Community Events Throughout Southern Virginia

The Southside Virginia Area Health Education Center (SVAHEC), which is housed at the SVHEC\*, had a banner year of outreach and engagement. Through existing strategic sponsorships, the group sponsored multiple health-related community events, including the American Red Cross Blood Drive, Rapid REVIVE Training, In-depth Rapid REVIVE Training, and Flu Shot Clinic.

In addition, SVAHEC also supported the Remote Area Medical clinic in Emporia where 364 individuals were served with a range of treatments, including medical check-ups, colorectal tests, women's health services, and dental exams and procedures.

*\*In August 2024, the Virginia Health Workforce Development Authority restructured the AHEC program and shifted its focus to community based healthcare centers. SVHEC is proud of the work SVAHEC accomplished to grow a pipeline of healthcare workers in the region.*



## Customized Trainings Benefit Virginia Workers & Corporations

In addition to education and training opportunities for individuals, SVHEC also partners with regional businesses for workforce development. In 2024, these partnerships included Robotics training with Reynolds Brand-Presto Products, a hybrid apprenticeship with Huber Engineered Woods, and Control Wiring training with Hitachi Energy.

Each of these companies is a major employer for our region, and the trainings directly benefit both the participating employees who live in Southern Virginia and the businesses who contribute to Virginia's economy.



## CTE Showcase Highlights In-Demand Career Opportunities

The SVHEC joined with Halifax County Public Schools and community and business partners to host the second annual Career & Technical Education (CTE) Showcase. The event highlights the vast career opportunities available through CTE training for high-demand trades and technical fields across Southern Virginia.

CTE careers offer competitive salaries and benefits and provide opportunities for career advancement. Job openings exist today, and are expected to grow over the next 10 years.

# By The Numbers



All data from FY2024

## 949\*

Students enrolled during  
FY2024

\*Unduplicated number of students served by SVHEC partners, SVHEC Workforce Training and Career Tech Academy



### 498

Community college partner students

### 205

Workforce training students

### 71

Career Tech Academy students

## 583

Credentials and  
certificates awarded



### 342

Career Tech Academy certificates awarded

### 241

Workforce training credentials awarded

## 56,217

Training & tutoring hours  
delivered



### 36,178

Career Tech Academy training hours delivered

### 19,906

Workforce training program hours completed

### 127

Volunteer Literacy Tutoring hours

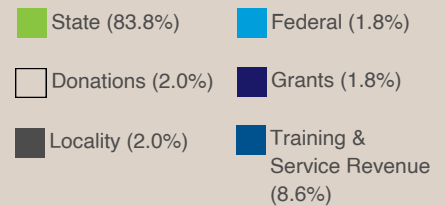
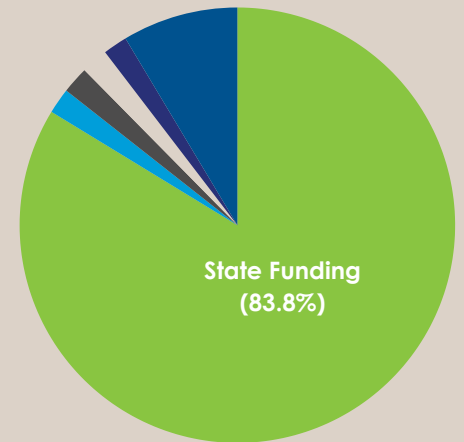
## Financial Impact

### Revenue & Expenses

**Total Revenue:**  
\$7,608,690

**Total Expenses:**  
\$7,558,102

### Funding Sources



## Completer Spotlights



**Emily Weston**  
IT Academy  
Completer

*"This is my first experience with anything IT-related, but it was nice to step out of my comfort zone. The world is constantly evolving and I feel like this course helped boost my confidence and was crucial for my career growth."*



**Durrell Chandler**  
HVAC  
Completer

*"I chose this program to gain the knowledge to be able to get a better job to better my life and support my family."*



**Emily Briggs**  
CTA Welding  
Completer

*"I chose this program to follow in my brother's footsteps and carry on his memory. Also, it sounded extremely interesting when I first heard about it. It wasn't until after I began the class did I realize how many opportunities I opened for myself."*