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May 27, 2026

The Federal Reserve's Occupational Mobility Explorer illustrates how a



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Innovation and

collaboration help

drive access to

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April 7, 2026

Accessing funding and capital can be difficult in rural and urban communities. But the barriers for rural



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Industry,

workforce, and

education advance

together to

strengthen West

Texas's

manufacturing

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January 7, 2026

The Big Country Manufacturing Alliance (BCMA) aligns cross-

skills-based approach to hiring can benefit workers, workforce development professionals, employers, and human resources professionals.

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communities can be heightened due to capacity and resource constraints. Organizations are using creativity to turn challenges into opportunities.

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sector efforts to strengthen the manufacturing industry in West Central Texas.

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[Rutger's Heldrich Center uses data to help bolster workforce initiatives](#)

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**More than books:
East Hartford
library connects
residents to
workforce
development**
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August 12, 2025

East Hartford Works!, a place-based initiative in Connecticut, models how collaboration, a shared vision, and common goals



(<https://fedcommunities.org/project-lent-highlights-factors-influence-black-business-owners-attitudes-debt/>)

**Place matters:
Driving change
through shared
vision, goals, and
data**
(<https://fedcommunities.org/place-matters-driving-change-through-shared-vision-goals-data/>)

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Place-based initiatives unite local stakeholders around a shared vision to address community challenges. Through coordinated strategies and data-driven action, these efforts focus resources in



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The John J. Heldrich Center for Workforce Development provides research expertise and analysis to organizations, including the Fed, to help improve education, training, and workforce development programs that affect employers and employees.

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[Project highlights factors that influence Black business owners' attitudes about debt](https://fedcommunities.org/project-highlights-factors-influence-black-business-owners-attitudes-about-debt/)
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August 13, 2024

Data and conversations help inform reasons why Black businesses can be hesitant to apply for credit and emphasize the need for more education about the loan underwriting process.

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[Intermediary connects projects, people, and dollars](https://fedcommunities.org/stories/intermediary-connects-projects-people-dollars/)
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June 26, 2024

Invest Appalachia and the Fed have joined forces to help rural communities and small towns turn investment-worthy ideas into investment-ready ones.

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[Creative funding and relationships shape affordable housing efforts in central Nebraska](https://fedcommunities.org/stories/creative-funding-relationships-shape-affordable-housing-efforts-central-nebraska/)
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February 12, 2024

Discover how the Central Nebraska Economic Development District champions affordable housing in rural Nebraska. Executive Director Judy Petersen shares innovative strategies and financing mechanisms for delivering housing solutions in small communities.

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Music teacher plants roots in rural Nebraska town

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Discover how a dedicated music teacher, Doug Erb, rooted himself in rural Nebraska, navigating the challenges of finding affordable housing and contributing to community growth.

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