

# The Southern VA Higher Education Center

Advancing the economic potential of SoVA through education, innovation & collaboration

## WHY

Filling a gap in educational access



## WHAT

Educational Storefront



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## Innovation Center



## Budget Request

- Public support of several institutions operating on 100% state
- Number of support institutions

## Background

Background information regarding the center's history and mission.

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Four-Year State Universities

Virginia Community Colleges



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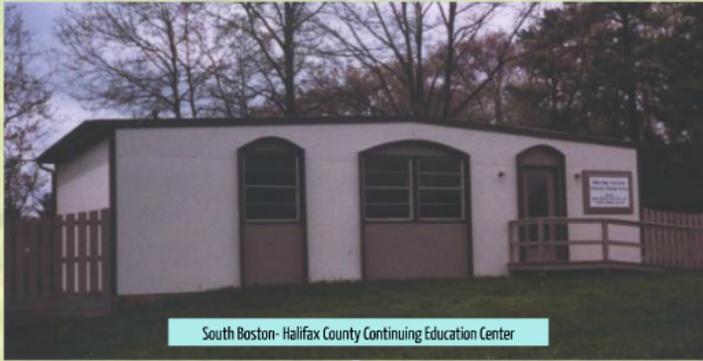
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1986

2001



2004



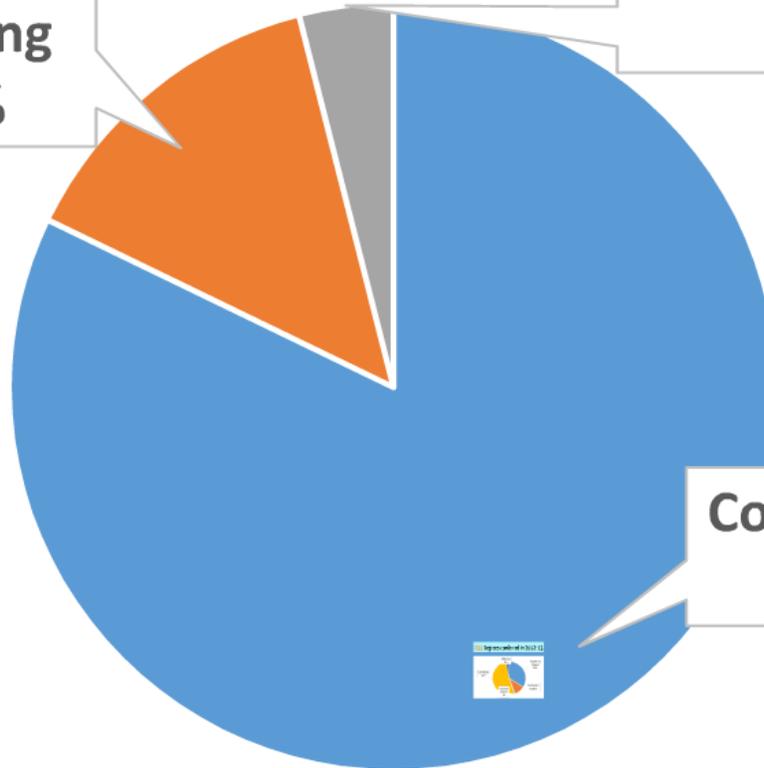
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# 6766 Class Enrollments in 2012-13

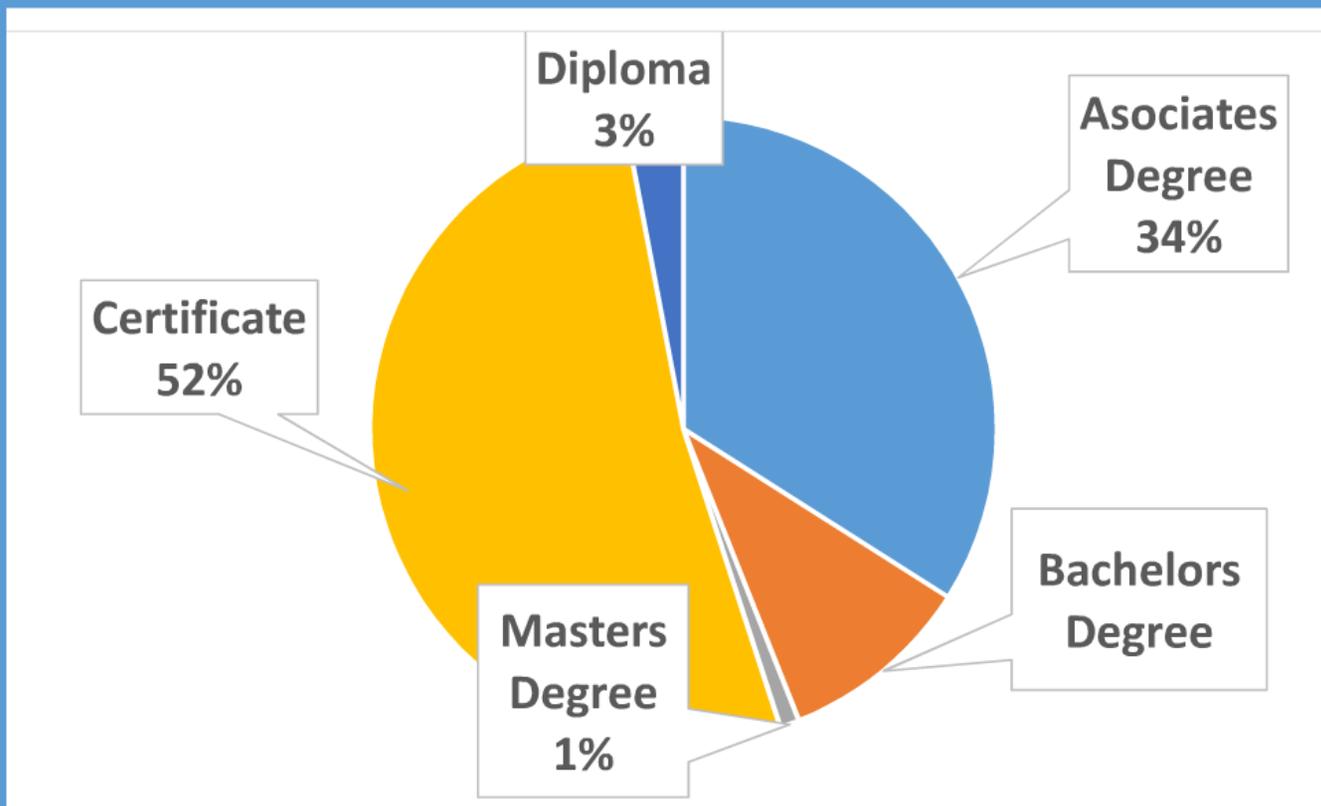
Workforce  
Training  
14%

GED & Literacy  
4%

College Credit  
83%



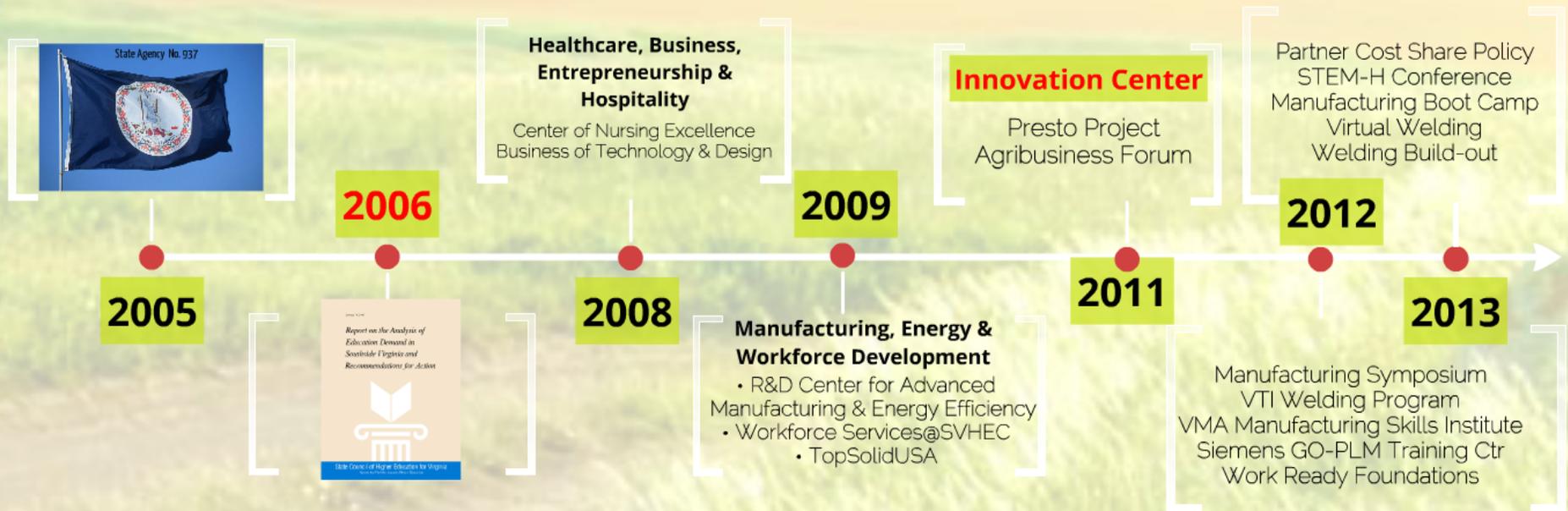
# 233 Degrees conferred in 2012-13



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## State Agency

## Educational Broker & Entrepreneur



January 10, 2006

*Report on the Analysis of  
Education Demand in  
Southside Virginia and  
Recommendations for Action*



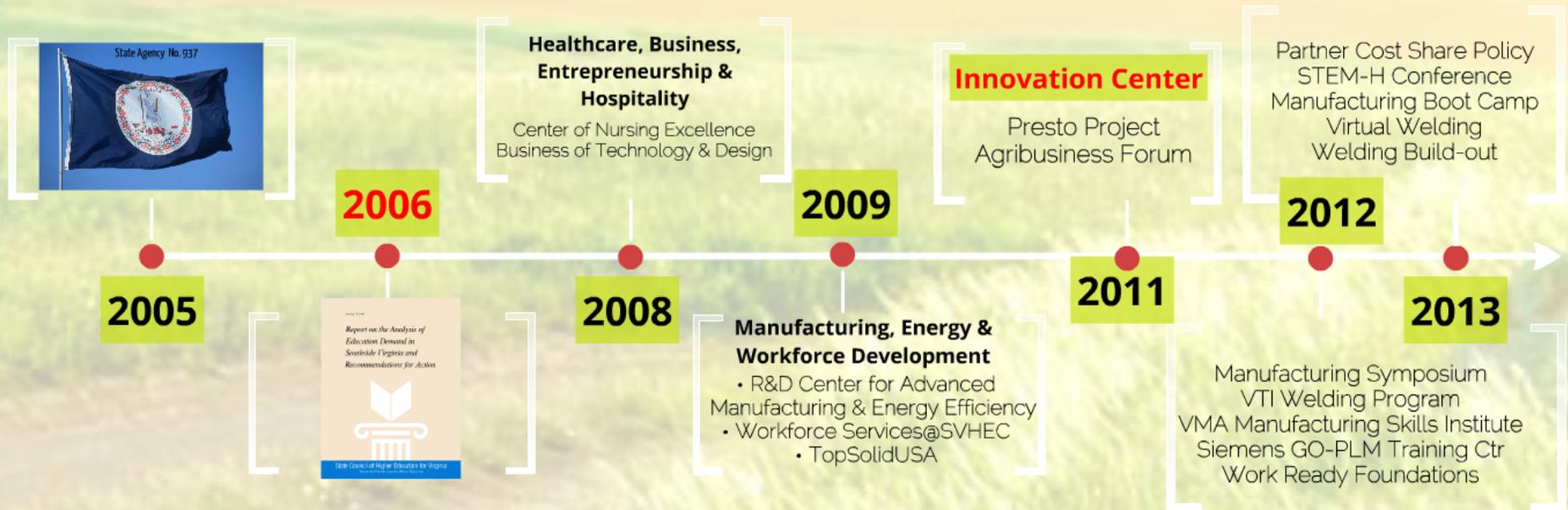
State Council of Higher Education for Virginia

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# WHAT

## State Agency

## Educational Broker & Entrepreneur



# Innovation Center

Doubles lab, classroom and training capacity





# Students



# Research



# Industry



Presto Products employees in training at the SVHEC Innovation Center.

# Budget Request

## Partial support of annual Innovation Center operating cost (\$1.3M)

- Current GF support: \$225,000
- Remainder has been raised from other sources:
  - Localities
  - Partners
  - Community foundation
  - SVHEC-generated
- Personnel, utilities, repair & maintenance

# Rationale

**We are filling a critical gap in educational access**

- Enrollment increases drove need for additional capacity
- Programs are aligned with the state's educational initiatives
- We've done our part as a community
- Seems reasonable to expect state support
- We are an excellent investment
- We are making an IMPACT