

## Fiscal Highlights

### **Mountainland ATC New Apprenticeship Training Center - Jill L.Curry**

The Mountainland Applied Technology College (MATC) serves Summit, Utah, and Wasatch Counties, with campuses in Lehi, American Fork, Orem, Spanish Fork, and Heber. MATC is one of the fastest growing campuses in the Utah College Applied Technology (UCAT). During the 2015 General Session, the Legislature appropriated \$3 million to UCAT for campus equity to ensure each service region is adequately funded. The funding distribution was determined by population and current service levels. Out of that \$3 million appropriation, \$1,383,300 (46 percent) went to MATC (in S.B. 2 and S.B. 3, 2015 General Session). A total of \$10,765,400 was appropriated by the Legislature to MATC for FY 2016 so this new equity money represents about 12.8 percent of Mountainland's total appropriation.

Since the 2015 General Session, MATC has been engaged in exciting new developments. One of those developments is a new building for the partnership between MATC and Associated General Contractors (AGC). MATC and AGC have been working together to develop skilled construction workers to supply the job market with competent, skilled workers. Their partnership has grown over time. Initially, a small portion of the building was leased to MATC for the new partnership. However the program has tripled since its beginning causing a need for an expansion. MATC leased and renovated the entire building making it more conducive for student learning. The renovated building now has a new classroom and a large shop for the hands-on aspect of the training. The building will serve as the training grounds for many students interested in the construction industry. This development is especially important because MATC is the leader in producing skilled workers for the Mountainland Region's job market.