

Wisconsin Fast Forward – Round 5 Workforce Development for Construction Trades and Related Occupations

Contracted Grant Projects (GPA #FF172CL1)

GPA #	Sector	Number of Contracted Grants	Total Amount Contracted	Estimate of Businesses Served	Estimate of Trainees Served
FF172CL1	Construction Trades and Related Occupations	4	\$619,006	13	438

Grantee Contract Summaries

DWD issued JCP Construction LLC a grant contract up to \$137,089 to train ten (10) unemployed and ten (10) incumbent workers as construction laborers and carpenters. JCP is a minority owned construction company that employs union represented carpenters and laborers. Hiring will focus on providing opportunities for veterans, felons, and current employees. Training is anticipated to last 6-12 months, depending on the skills level and ability of the individual trainees to move forward in the program. Training will include communication and employability skills in addition to reading construction drawings and using hand/power tools.

DWD issued Vera Court Neighborhood Center, Inc. a grant contract up to \$122,417 to train 68 unemployed trainees in bi-lingual construction, construction and apprenticeship readiness and commercial driver's licenses. Vera Court Neighborhood Center, Inc. applied on behalf of a partnership that includes ten construction contractors. Placement Partners include Bauer & Raethers Building, Inc., Dave Jones, Inc., Electrical Construction, Inc., Hottman Construction, J.H. Findorff & Son Inc., Payne & Dolan, Inc. Stevens Construction Corp., Tri-North Builders, Inc., Westphal & Company and Zenith Tech Inc. The project will target minorities and women who are vastly under-represented in the construction industry.

DWD issued Stevens Construction Corp. a grant contract up to \$323,900 to develop an in-house training program to meet the needs of entry level unemployed and incumbent workers with limited or no prior experience. Stevens will train 200 unemployed, six (6) incumbent new hires, and 30 incumbent workers. Training would include an introduction to general construction and safety as well as coursework in specific areas of construction such as concrete, carpentry, and welding.

DWD issued Market & Johnson, Inc. a grant contract up to \$35,600 to develop a program to provide potential new hires with the opportunity to be able to enter the workforce at a level higher than an apprentice level. The training would consist of one 40-hour apprentice training course for 50 unemployed trainees. Market & Johnson will also develop leadership training to provide 100 incumbent employees with sufficient training to be able to advance from journeyman status to a foreman or superintendent level. Market & Johnson will work with local technical college resources, Chippewa Valley Technical College and Western Technical College, to develop the training program.