

Michigan Works Offering Financial Assistance for Career Training

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It's no secret that job loss due to COVID has been hard on northeast Michigan. Between layoffs, business closures, and changes in seasonal work opportunities, thousands of residents have been affected. While some have weathered the storm by claiming unemployment, others are looking to new career paths. Unfortunately, the cost of career training is a barrier that some cannot overcome. If you're considering getting career training in an in-demand field, but are worried how you're going to afford it, consider contacting your local Michigan Works agency.

Michigan Works! Northeast Consortium currently has a variety of programs that can help job seekers pay for tuition towards an in-demand career, find on-the-job training opportunities, find paid apprenticeships, and even help pay for support services like books, mileage, fees, required clothing/tools, and more. The programs Michigan Works offers are not loans, so will not need to be repaid.

Even those who are currently enrolled in classes, but could still use financial assistance are encouraged to apply, as well as those who have been denied the Future for Frontliners Program, the Pell Grant, or those with out-of-district tuition.

Michigan Works has helped many job seekers in the region further their education and start new careers in welding, truck driving, law enforcement, utility lineman, mechanics, HVAC, nursing, medical assistant, construction, manufacturing, and more.

All programs do have eligibility requirements, but it's definitely worth a call to see if one of their programs could help you pursue training in a new career. You can reach your nearest Michigan Works office by calling 1-800-285-WORK.

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