

Breaking the Chains of Poverty Career Training Program

The Pittsburgh A. Philip Randolph Institute (APRI) is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide programs that extend democracy, education, and opportunity to those traditionally disenfranchised or discouraged from participation. Breaking the Chains of Poverty is an 8-week high impact, high expectation career training program designed to help participants obtain the skills necessary to gain family sustaining careers in the Building and Construction Trades, manufacturing, and emerging energy sectors.

Breaking the Chains of Poverty participants receive classroom training at the United Steelworkers building in downtown Pittsburgh. Students will also visit building and construction trade unions Joint Apprenticeship Training Centers as well as visits to manufacturing facilities, during the 8 weeks of training. Participants receive training in:

- Time Management
- Conflict Resolution
- Workplace Ethics
- Financial Literacy
- Environmental Literacy
- Resume Preparation
- Interview Preparation
- Building Trades Math and Reading Comprehension
- Computer Literacy
- Worker Rights and Trades Policy
- Human Rights

Students will obtain Technical Certifications in the following areas:

- HAZWOPER (Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response)
- NIOSH OSHA 30 hr. Construction
- Mold Remediation
- PennDOT Approved Flagger
- American Red Cross First Aid and CPR
- Roots of Success- Environmental Literacy

Program Eligibility:

- 18 Years of Age or Oder
- Take the TABE assessment
- o High School Diploma or GED
- Completion of a Panel Interview
- Must be Drug Free
- Registered Voter

To register or for more information, call 412-562-2432 or email info@pittsburghapri.org