

Are you strong, tough and ready for a challenge?



Worcester Building Pathways Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program

provides 8 weeks of career exploration and hands-on exposure to the trades – such as roofers, carpenters, laborers electricians, pipefitters, iron workers, and more - and prepares participants for placement in a union apprenticeship.

**PREFERENCE GIVEN TO WOMEN,
MINORITIES AND WORCESTER RESIDENTS!**

**Free 8-Week
Training Opportunity!**

Spaces still available for FEMALE APPLICANTS ONLY!

**Please Contact Kelsey Lamoureux at
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for more information TODAY!**

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are the eligibility requirements? All applicants must be 18 years of age or older, have a high school diploma or equivalent, have reliable transportation, physically be able to work in construction, be low-income, be authorized to work in the U.S. and consent to Drug Testing.

What will I learn in the program? Building Pathways will provide you with the knowledge and skills you need to enter into a state-registered Building Trades apprenticeship program through Career Readiness and Occupational Skills Training, with classroom and hands-on learning experiences. You will also receive coordinated case management and placement services to help you achieve your career goals.

How much does it cost? There is no cost to participate in Building Pathways. In fact, participants will receive a free set of work boots and safety gear.

When and Where are classes? Classes are held in Worcester Monday through Friday 7:00a.m. –3:00p.m. Transportation to out-of-area field trips will be provided. The next cohort will begin in April 2017.

Will I receive any other services through Building Pathways? Case management services will be provided as needed for each participant beginning at the start of the program and through successful placement. Case management will include counseling and/or referral and follow-up for issues such as childcare, transportation, housing, healthcare, financial services, and legal services.

What is a pre-apprenticeship? Building Pathways is a pre-apprenticeship designed to give you the foundational skills and knowledge necessary to understand the construction industry. This training will allow you to gain acceptance into a state registered union apprenticeship. Apprenticeships allow you to **earn while you learn**. First-year union apprentices earn approximately the same amount most college students' pay for a year's tuition! Once you become an apprentice, you work and attend classroom training. With more than 23 trades to choose from, and 32 apprenticeship programs across Massachusetts, there is sure to be one that interests you.

Am I guaranteed an apprenticeship? We will work with you to secure admission into a building trades apprenticeship program. While we can't guarantee that you'll gain admission into an apprentice program, we can guarantee that you'll be ready to apply. You'll just have to want it.

How do I apply? Attend an upcoming Information Session. (See reverse side for details)

For Information about Upcoming Information Sessions Contact:

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