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JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

MEMORANDUM

To: Members
Joint Committee on Finance

From: Senator Alberta Darling
Representative John Nygren

Date: December 28, 2018

Re: DWD Report to JFC

Attached is the 2018 Wisconsin Fast Forward Annual report from the Department of Workforce Development, pursuant to s. 106.27(3), Stats.

This report is being provided for your information only. No action by the Committee is required. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Attachments

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STATE OF WISCONSIN
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Fast Forward



Fast Forward

"Since the first Wisconsin Fast Forward grants were issued in 2014, we have helped hundreds of businesses provide training to thousands of hard-working Wisconsin workers. This training has ensured that businesses have the expert talent they need to expand operations, while equipping trainees with portable skills and industry-recognized credentials to advance their careers and fill family-supporting jobs in high-demand occupations."

Scott Walker, Wisconsin Governor

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December 21, 2018

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Dear Governor Walker, Senator Darling, and Representative Nygren:

On behalf of the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, I am pleased to submit the 2018 Wisconsin Fast Forward (WFF) Annual Report. The WFF Grant Program has been a valuable tool in DWD's efforts to help employers train the workers they need to fuel the very robust Wisconsin economy. Under the leadership of Governor Walker, the state has experienced historically low unemployment rates in the past year, including a record 11 straight months in which the unemployment rate has been at or below 3 percent.

The 2018 WFF Annual Report highlights program activity and grant-funded training results as required by Wisconsin Statute 106.27(3). This report covers investment and program activity through June 30, 2018 and provides a look into the future as the WFF program continues to evolve and adapt to the needs of the Wisconsin labor market. Highlights include:

- ▶ Grant applications for all sectors are now accepted year-round, with grant awards being made quarterly.
- ▶ The requirement for grant applicants to submit a Dun & Bradstreet report was eliminated, as DWD staff can now run those reports at no expense to the applicants.
- ▶ Six Expanded Wisconsin Fast Forward grant opportunities were announced and awarded for advanced manufacturing technical education equipment, nursing training, dual enrollment, employee resource network pilot, high school student credentials and teacher development.

Under the leadership of Governor Walker and the Legislature, the WFF program continues to be a nationally recognized, employer-driven talent development initiative that has helped hundreds of Wisconsin businesses find, train and retain thousands of highly skilled workers since the grant program was begun in 2014.

We look forward to even more successes in the years to come.

Sincerely,



Secretary Ray Allen
Department of Workforce Development

Wisconsin Fast Forward Overview

TRAIN and RETAIN

Attract and motivate a capable staff: Training can improve business performance, profit, staff retention and morale.

The Wisconsin Fast Forward (WFF) program is an innovative talent development solution driven by Wisconsin businesses to train and retain highly skilled workers. Governor Walker signed the WFF program (2013 Wisconsin Act 9) into law in March 2013 with near-unanimous bipartisan support from the State Legislature, creating the Office of Skills Development (OSD) to administer the WFF worker training grant program through almost \$40 million in total investments from the State of Wisconsin. WFF grants incentivize Wisconsin employers to implement customized training programs that provide workers with the practical job skills they need to succeed in a 21st century workforce. Applauded by business and industry leaders for cultivating a strong environment for private sector job creation, the WFF grant program is helping hundreds of companies across Wisconsin upskill thousands of workers to fill job openings and advance in the workplace.



Timeline

- 2013**
 - FEB: WFF legislation introduced
 - MAR: Wisconsin Act 9 signed
 - OCT: Emergency Admin Rules start
 - NOV: WFF Round 1 GPA issued
- 2014**
 - FEB: WFF grants awarded & GPA issued
 - Blueprint for Prosperity enacted
 - High School Pupil (HSP) GPA issued
 - APR: Wait List Reduction GPA issued
 - MAY:
 - Permanent Admin Rules start
 - HSP GPA awarded
 - JUN:
 - WFF & Wait List Reduction grants awarded
 - Training Workers with Disabilities (TWD) GPA issued
 - SEP: WFF GPA issued
 - DEC:
 - TWD GPA awarded
 - WFF grants awarded
 - HSP GPA issued
- 2015**
 - APR: WFF and HSP grants awarded
 - MAY: WFF GPA issued
 - JUL: WFF FY 15-17 reauthorization signed
 - AUG: LMIS Focus Groups held
 - SEP: LMIS Phase 1 launched
 - DEC: WFF grants awarded
- 2016**
 - JAN:
 - LMIS Phase 2 launched
 - HSP GPA issued
 - MAR: Internship Coordination legislation enacted
 - APR:
 - Funding Consolidation legislation enacted
 - LMIS Phase 3 launched
 - JUN: HSP grants awarded
 - SEP: WFF grants issued
- 2017**
 - JAN: WFF GPA issued
 - FEB: WFF grants awarded
 - MAR:
 - WFF GPA issued
 - Wait List Reduction grants closed
 - JUN: WFF GPA issued
 - JUL:
 - WisConnect launched
 - WFF ongoing GPAs issued
 - AUG: WFF grants awarded
 - SEP: Quarterly grant writing training
 - OCT: DWD to Dun & Bradstreet reports
 - NOV: WFF grants awarded
 - DEC: Outreach to grantees to assist with application
- 2018**
 - FEB: WFF grants awarded
 - MAR:
 - Adv. Manu. Tech. Edu Equipment GPA Issued
 - Nursing Training RFP released
 - Dual Enrollment GPA released
 - Employee Resource Network (ERN) Pilot GPA released
 - High School Student Credentials GPA released
 - MAY:
 - WFF grants awarded
 - Dual Enrollment grants awarded
 - Nursing Training grants awarded
 - JUN:
 - Teacher Development GPA released
 - City of Racine GPA released
 - H.S. Student Credentials grants awarded
 - ERN grants awarded
 - Adv. Manu. Tech. Edu Equipment grants awarded
 - City of Racine grant awarded

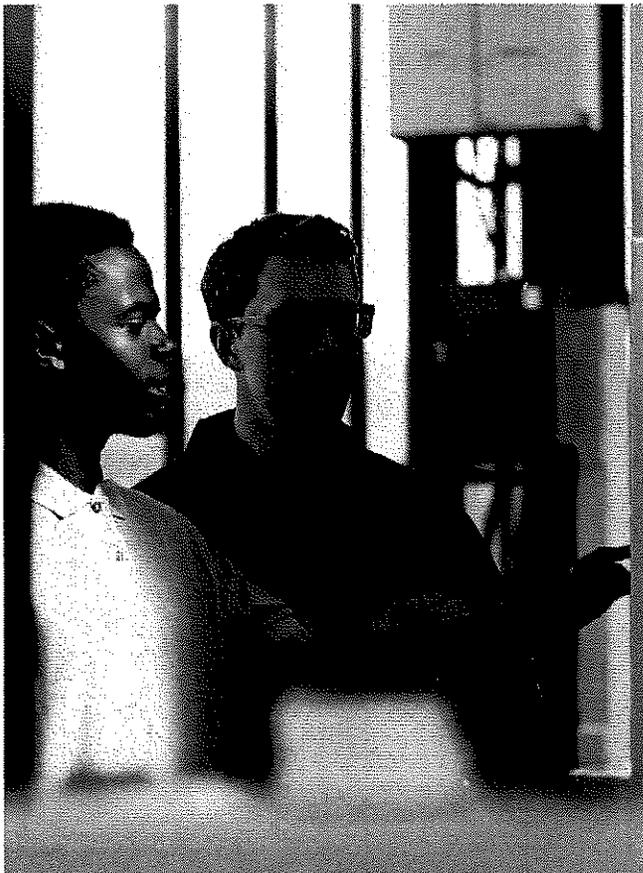
Wisconsin Fast Forward in 2017 - 2018

Driven by the program's dedication for continuous improvement, on July 1, 2017, the WFF program changed its grant application process to make worker training grants available to Wisconsin businesses year-round for all sectors. Employers can now apply for grants and receive funds when they need training resources.

From July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, WFF issued 39 grant contracts totaling \$5,569,611. Since its inception, WFF has contracted over \$26.9 million dollars of customized worker training grants.

WFF Standard

Program	Allocation	Applicant Requested	Contracted Grant Amount	Reimbursed Through June 30, 2018	Total Grant Contracts
Round 1	\$2,700,000	\$4,071,700	\$2,599,158	\$1,797,634	32
Round 2	\$7,500,000	\$5,622,313	\$3,424,005	\$2,134,783	47
Round 3	\$8,000,000	\$11,048,041	\$6,318,215	\$3,515,159	64
Round 4	\$8,000,000	\$12,014,939	\$5,696,647	\$2,924,314	54
Round 5	\$5,000,000	\$10,257,953	\$3,360,742	\$955,474	38
Round 6	\$8,000,000	\$8,841,710	\$5,569,611	\$313,504	39
Total	\$39,200,000	\$51,856,656	\$26,968,378	\$11,640,868	274

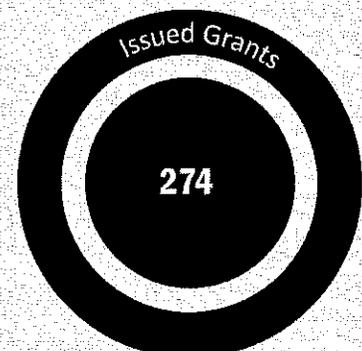


WFF Issued Grants

July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018



Since Inception



Wisconsin Fast Forward in 2017 - 2018

WFF cultivates a strong environment for private sector job creation by helping businesses across the state train highly skilled workers to fill job openings.



Trainee Outcomes

As of June 30, 2018, the WFF program has closed 199 grants; 75 grants remain open or in the award process. More than 21,000 employees were eligible to be trained by WFF funds. Of the 21,000 employees, 17,957 have been entered into our database, with 12,294 having pre- and post-training wage information available. Approximately 12,284 employees have completed training, and from those employees, 10,006 were successful under WFF guidelines.

This is an increase from last year's numbers. By June 30, 2017, the program had 142 closed projects and 9,615 successful trainees. In 2016, WFF had 64 closed grants with 2,371 successful trainees.

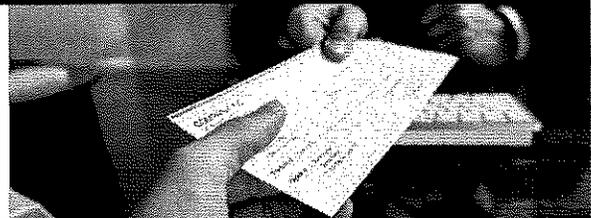
Wage data shows impressive gains since the program's inception. Trained employees' incomes are increasing. The average wage of a successful WFF trainee is \$17.53 per hour. Wages for incumbent workers have also risen an average of \$1.83 per hour as worker skills and productivity have increased. Formerly unemployed workers are averaging \$13.33 per hour, while incumbent workers who completed training are earning an average of \$22.96 per hour.

Based on closed projects, wages earned by workers both before and after participating in a training program are shown below:

WFF Grant Program Post-Training Increase

**POST-TRAINING
AVERAGE
WAGE INCREASE**

\$1.83 PER HR



Trainee Classification	Trainees ¹	Pre-Training Avg Wage/Hr	Post-Training Avg Wage/Hr	Post-Training Avg Wage Increase
Unemployed Trainees Who Obtained Employment	602	\$0.00	\$13.33	\$13.33 per hour
Underemployed Trainees Who Obtained Employment	342	\$16.00	\$18.81	\$2.81 per hour
New Hire Trainees Who Retained Employment	5,145	\$12.81	\$13.81	\$1.00 per hour
Incumbent Worker Trainees Who Received Wage Increases	3,917	\$21.90	\$22.96	\$1.06 per hour
Total	10,006			\$1.83 per hour

Note:

¹Only includes trainees with complete pre- and post-training wages entered and who meet the statutory reporting criteria per Wisconsin Statute 106.27(3).

Wisconsin Fast Forward Success Story

Finding workers to fill open positions has been a challenge for many Wisconsin employers, and back in 2015, Alto-Shaam was no different. Alto-Shaam is a leading global foodservice equipment manufacturer that has been in business since 1955. The Menomonee Falls-based company took a proactive approach to the talent shortage and started looking for new approaches to solve this workforce issue.

"We had an issue with finding and hiring qualified people in our area. At the time, we wanted to be proactive and decided to start our own in-house training academy. That's when we discovered the Wisconsin Fast Forward program," said Bill Hayden, Director of Organizational Development at Alto-Shaam.

In the case of Alto-Shaam, the company was hard-pressed to find employees with existing skill sets to fill the need for welders, assemblers, and press-brake operators. They turned to Wisconsin Fast Forward to help fund a training program that would take new recruits without these skills and train them for the Alto-Shaam workforce.

Alto-Shaam, which has doubled in size over the last five years, developed the Training Value Stream (TVLS) program. Similar to programs that European manufacturers have adopted, Alto-Shaam recruits employees and successfully develops them by providing knowledge and hands-on skill training. As the company would do with all its employees, trainees are vetted through an interview process that determines their fit based on several soft-skills, focusing less on hard, technical skills.

"Even if someone comes from a different industry with no background in welding, we evaluate whether or not we can take their existing skillset, attitude, and work ethic and train them on the technical side of things," said Hayden.

After they are admitted into the training program, trainees go through a four-week paid training period to learn the tools, processes, procedures and safety mechanisms employed by the company. Afterwards, they begin work on the line on hands-on projects with the supervision and assistance of a mentor for another paid four-week period. At the end of eight weeks, trainees transition to employees and become part of the Alto-Shaam team.

For Alto-Shaam, the success of this program surpassed their greatest expectations. With a contracted grant of \$278,000 from Wisconsin Fast Forward, Alto-Shaam anticipated training 104 new hires. Instead they exceeded that number and trained 187 individuals, placing 130 of them in employment. Beyond the numbers, the company has seen success in other aspects as well.

"Not only do we attract talent that we can train, but we have reduced our turnover rate as well. It's also about retention of our employees," added Hayden.

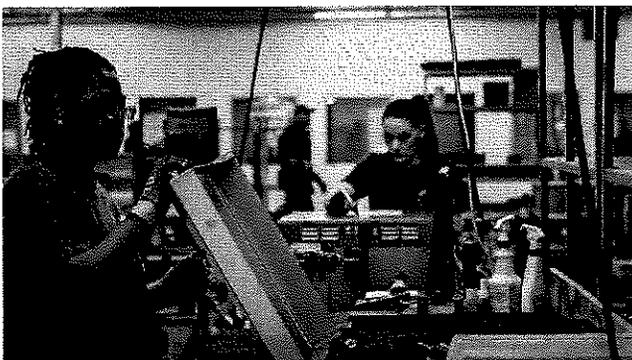
Alto-Shaam is committed to continuing their proactive training approach. The company continues to run its training program and has found ways to make it sustainable moving forward.

"The state was phenomenal to work with," said Hayden. "They made it easy to jumpstart our training program, which we'll continue to maintain due to its success."



Bill Hayden

ALTO-SHAAM



Project SEARCH

Project SEARCH

Project SEARCH is a business-led collaboration that enables young adults with disabilities to gain and maintain employment through training and career exploration. The initiative started in 2014 as part of Blueprint for Prosperity. Each Project SEARCH project involves a partnership between Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR), a local business, a school, a vocational services agency, and a disability services agency (e.g. a managed care organization).

Each partner contributes to the initiative. For example, the local business provides a business liaison, an on-site training classroom and rotational internship opportunities for on-the-job training. The school provides an instructor. DVR collaborates with the local vocational services agency to supply job coaches who support students as needed in their internships and assist with final job placement. The disability services agency works alongside any eligible student who is hired and provides worksite assistance to that student.

During the reporting period, 197 interns enrolled in Project SEARCH and 191 completed their internships. There are currently 230 individuals enrolled in Project SEARCH for the 2018-19 school year. More than 600 individuals have participated in Project SEARCH since it started in Wisconsin.

Partnership



Project SEARCH project involves a partnership between Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR), a local business, a school, a vocational services agency, and a disability services agency (e.g. a managed care organization).

Growth

In July 2017, there were 20 licensed Project SEARCH sites. As of September 2018, there were 27 Project SEARCH locations.



July 2017
20 licensed

Project SEARCH sites

14 months later
27 licensed

Project SEARCH sites

WisconsinFastForward.com

Expanded Wisconsin Fast Forward

The 2017-19 biennial budget authorized significant expanded program opportunities for WFF to help school-to-skilled work initiatives.

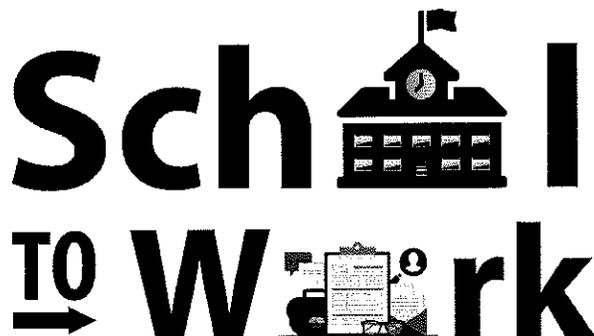
Sector	Requested Total	No. of Contract Grants	Total Amount Contracted	Est. of Businesses/School District Served	Est. of Targeted Individuals Served
Teacher Training	\$9,051,626	2	\$1,000,000	3	60
Nursing Training	\$4,686,025	2	\$1,500,000	2	510
Employee Resource Network	\$188,943	3	\$158,979	21	2886
Adv Mfg Tech Equipment for Schools ¹	\$1,429,740	35	\$500,000	34	
Dual Enrollment for Tech Colleges	\$3,887,636	14	\$3,652,406	183	1093
HS Cert.	\$857,306	8	\$683,488	104	1788
HS Cert. 2	\$593,812	6	\$593,812	43	328
Teacher Development	\$482,353	8	\$373,338	8	67

WFF has implemented a unique pilot project to promote retention for entry level workers. WFF funded three projects to develop Employee Resource Networks and has partnered with employers in Milwaukee, Eau Claire, New Berlin, Waukesha and Mequon. These projects will support workers to help them thrive in their jobs, creating the stability that is critical to career advancement in the workplace.

The remainder of WFF's expanded initiatives lays the groundwork for a vibrant and intentional pipeline from school to highly-trained, well-compensated employment for today's high school students, preparing them to thrive in tomorrow's economy.

¹Only one application included funding for building modifications. Westfield School District requested \$408.54 to change the layout of the shop working area to create a manufacturing center, including new electrical wiring to accommodate grant-funded equipment.

SCHOOL-TO-SKILLS WORK INITIATIVES



Youth operating a piece of machinery with mentor

Expanded Wisconsin Fast Forward

WFF has financed initiatives to train teachers to work in low-income or urban school districts. The program is also funding partnerships with Wisconsin technical colleges and local school districts to ensure teachers are appropriately credentialed to offer our students advanced level coursework. With more credentialed teachers, more Wisconsin students can receive college and technical college level credit while still in high school. Moreover, WFF is working with schools to expand teacher development and certification opportunities to increase the number of well-qualified teachers to help students reach their academic and professional goals.

WFF requested proposals from school districts for Teacher Training and Development grants targeting low-income school districts. A Milwaukee initiative and a project targeting schools in Racine and Beloit were selected for funding. WFF also financed teacher development grants that targeted eight Wisconsin School Districts. This initiative focused on existing, non-certified school employees in a "grow your own" model. Sixty-seven teachers were selected for certification under this program.

WFF is also funding nursing education and training opportunities for middle and high school students in the Beloit Area School District through a partnership with the Beloit Health System Foundation, Hendricks CareerTek, Blackhawk Technical College, Beloit School District and Clinton School District. The purpose is to provide students with a rigorous and authentic learning opportunity in the nursing profession.



In the Milwaukee area, WFF is working with United Community Center to create a pre-college program with Froedtert & Medical College of Wisconsin, Aurora Health Care and Carroll University. This program will provide coursework to 400 middle school and 350 high school students. The grant is structured so that at least 85 percent of participating high school students will enroll in college.

Additionally, WFF is working with technical colleges and school districts to expand offerings for high school students who seek certifications in industry recognized areas. This project connects local industry needs with advanced training opportunities students can receive at a technical college.

WFF grants have provided high school students from over 90 school districts with the opportunity to earn in-demand industry-recognized certifications and credentials with its dual enrollment courses. In partnership with technical colleges, regional and local businesses, and school districts, WFF dual enrollment grants allow high school students to earn between three to 18 college credits and industry certifications.

WFF's expanded program has funded school-to-skilled work initiatives in the following regions:

Southeastern Wisconsin:

- ▶ Milwaukee Area Technical College is offering certification for health industry jobs, including certified nursing assistant (CNA) and emergency medical technician (EMT). The technical college is also providing dual enrollment certification for students to become highly trained heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration (HVAC/R) mechanics and technicians, as well as entry-level IT workers certified in CompTIA A+.
- ▶ Gateway Technical College is not only offering certification for CNA and EMT positions, it is also allowing students to earn up to 17 college credits towards a technical diploma in welding, manufacturing and fabrication. Additionally, Gateway is offering Manufacturing Skills Standards Council (MSSC) – Certified Production Technician (CPT) Safety Certificate and a welding youth apprenticeship.
- ▶ Waukesha County offers certification in CNA and EMT positions as well as firefighter 1 and 2 certification.



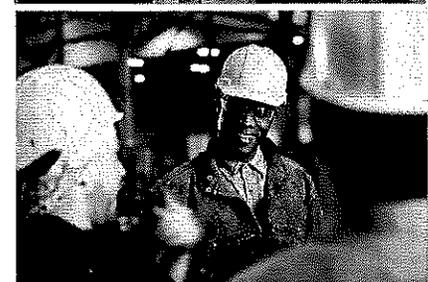
South Central and Southwest Wisconsin:

- ▶ Madison Area Technical College (MATC) and Blackhawk Technical College are offering students opportunities for firefighter 1 and 2 certification (including hazardous materials operations) and emergency medical responder certification. At MATC, students may also gain certification in ProStart (culinary arts), CompTIA A+ Computer Essentials (IT) and Basic Industrial Power Embedded Technical Diploma (IM). At Blackhawk, students can attain National Institute for Metalworking Skills (NIMS)-Machining Level 1 certification, Class A/B/C Commercial Driver License (CDL), Level I SENSE/entry level welder certification, automotive service excellence (ASE) certification, and/or automotive youth education systems certificate of completion.



Northwest Wisconsin:

- ▶ At Chippewa Valley Technical College, trainees can earn up to 12 college credits toward an IT-Software Development Specialist technical diploma either by attending in-person classes or with distance learning instruction through web conferencing. Additionally, students can earn up to 18 college credits toward a Machine Tool Operator embedded technical diploma and gain certification in NIMS-Machining Level 1 – measurements, materials and safety; NIMS Machining Level 1 – job planning, benchwork, and layout; and Snap-on precision measurement instrument.



Northeast Wisconsin:

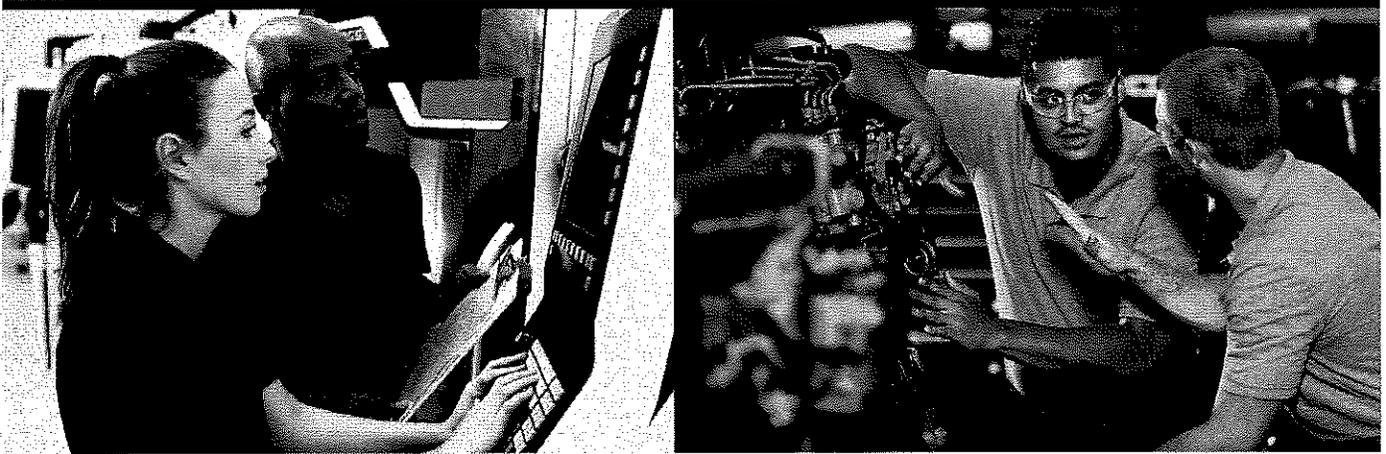
- ▶ Western Technical College and Northcentral Technical College are offering high school students training toward a Certified Nurse Aide (CNA) certificate.
- ▶ Because of the truck driver workforce shortage, Fox Valley Technical College is offering trainees from small rural communities training to get a Class B CDL and straight truck certification.



Future Plans for Wisconsin Fast Forward

COMMITMENT

In its commitment to help school districts, technical colleges, and Wisconsin business communities, WFF has funded \$500,000 worth of advanced manufacturing technical education equipment to 35 high schools across the state. Having cutting-edge technology and equipment available to our students opens the door to lifelong learning and well-paid careers in a wide range of new vocations for the 21st Century.



The Building Occupational Skills for Success (BOSS) grant was a one-time grant of \$200,000 to the Milwaukee Development Corporation to provide high school students with the skills and tools needed to become future business owners. This program started in January 2018 and successfully completed in June 2018.

BOSS
BUILDING OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS FOR SUCCESS



WFF is committed to funding programs to develop our future workforce and create opportunities for Wisconsin students and workers.

Future Plans for Wisconsin Fast Forward

Since June 30, 2018, WFF implemented two new initiatives. One of the initiatives includes a partnership with Wisconsin Department of Transportation to provide employment-related transportation (Commute to Careers). The second initiative is a grant program geared towards entry-level workers (Jump Start). WFF will continue to partner with businesses and employment professionals to develop and promote the tools to transform Wisconsin's workforce. For more information, please visit wisconsinfastforward.com/wff_standard.htm

Commute to Careers



Internship Coordination

Overview

Governor Scott Walker signed 2015 Wisconsin Act 283 in March 2016, expanding OSD's role to increase the number of college students participating in internships with Wisconsin companies. During the second half of SFY17, OSD developed the framework to support future internship coordination, culminating with the launch of WisConnect in July 2017.

Launch of WisConnect

In July 2017, OSD launched WisConnect, a free, mobile-responsive online resource available at InternshipWisconsin.com to help Wisconsin employers meet their workforce needs by growing tomorrow's talent with internships today. OSD rolled out additional student functionality in October 2017. Open to all college students with an active .edu email address, the website offers innovative tools to match employers with potential interns by location, college major, key skills and more. WisConnect makes it easy for employers and college students to create profiles, post internships and resumes, and search for talent and opportunities.²

Between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018, WisConnect staff attended over 26 job fairs. At each job fair, WisConnect staff engaged and interacted with businesses, dropped off pamphlets and business cards, and invited HR professionals to visit the WisConnect booth to personally view the site.

WisConnect staff gave eight presentations at business-specific expositions and events throughout Wisconsin between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018 and attended eight business-specific events as an exhibitor.

Metrics for WisConnect usage between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018 are as follows:

- 1,908 employer sites
- 607 student profiles
- 1,822 internship listings
- 38 career services profiles



"With the state's unemployment rate at historically low levels, Wisconsin businesses need to have a pipeline of talent to fill their employment needs. One of the most effective ways to build that pipeline is for employers to create college internships. WisConnect is an effective tool to help businesses identify talented and motivated interns."

- Scott Walker, Governor

²Because many employers direct students to apply for internships directly on the employers' websites when posting their internship opportunities, there is no way to determine the origination of the application process. As such, no data on the number of internship connections made on WisConnect is available.

A large banner for WisConnect. The top half features a black and white photograph of several young people sitting around a table, looking at a laptop screen. The bottom half is a dark grey area with white text. On the left, the WisConnect logo is displayed in a large, bold font, with a white outline of the state of Wisconsin inside the letter 'O'. Below the logo, the text reads "Your Source for Wisconsin Internships". In the center, the website address "InternshipWisconsin.com" is written. On the right, the text "Find your intern today!" is displayed in a large, bold font. In the bottom right corner, there is a small logo for DWD (Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development) and the number "11".

Internship Program – WisConnect

By far, the most concentrated internship activity for Wisconsin-based internships occurred between late January and late March of 2018. During that time, WisConnect staff attended 18 events on college campuses. That number is expected to increase during the January-March 2019 season.

In addition to job fairs, professors invited WisConnect staff to speak at three internship orientation meetings on college campuses. To increase the number of speaking engagements for 2019, WisConnect staff will be contacting more professors to volunteer to talk about internship opportunities with students.

In January 2018, staff sent targeted mailing to over 12,000 professors to inform them of the new WisConnect tool for their students. The WisConnect mailer went directly to professors who advise and mentor students searching for internships. This resulted in an increase in student registrations and additional contacts. WisConnect staff have prepared a mailer to be sent to every professor in the UW System, the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, and the Wisconsin Technical College system. This will be delivered no later than Mid-January 2019—just before the prime internship season in Wisconsin.

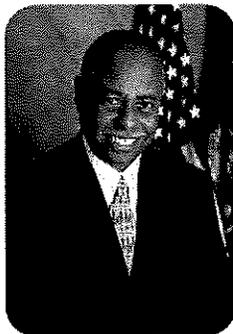
WANT THE
BEST & BRIGHTEST
STUDENT INTERNS?

CONNECT
WITH INTERNS

Go to InternshipWisconsin.com

"DWD is continually striving to grow the footprint of WisConnect. During the first year of the program, we marketed the new service to dozens of businesses, universities and technical colleges, and thousands of college professors who deal directly with students who are pursuing internship opportunities."

- Ray Allen, DWD Secretary



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Recruit interns on WisConnect to enhance your skilled talent pipeline. Create an employer profile, post Internships, search for Wisconsin college students and find resources to build or expand internship programs.

STUDENTS



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Seek internships to gain valuable job skills and launch your career. Create a professional profile, upload your resume, and search for internships with Wisconsin employers.

Table 1: SFY18 Wisconsin Fast Forward Program Administration s. 20.445 (1) (bm)

SFY18	
Budget Allocation via Appropriation plus Prior Year Carryover	\$3,602,968
Total Spent and Encumbered	\$3,198,188
Year-end Balance	\$404,780

Table 2: SFY18 Wisconsin Fast Forward Grant Activity s. 20.445 (1) (b)

Program	SFY18 Budget Allocation¹	Expenditures²	Encumbered³	Balance
Standard WFF	\$27,859,009	\$3,213,862	\$4,422,650	\$20,222,498
Blueprint for Prosperity				
Technical College Wait List	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
High School Pupil	\$1,411,836	\$400,116	\$ -	\$1,011,720
Training Workers with Disabilities	\$885,252	\$53,981	\$ -	\$831,271
Project SEARCH	\$3,419,035	\$229,434	\$75,000	\$3,114,600
Blueprint for Prosperity Total⁴	\$5,716,123	\$683,531	\$75,000	\$4,957,591
Career Tech Ed Pass Thru to DPI	\$3,500,000	\$3,500,000	\$ -	\$ -
2015 Act 348 - Consolidated Training Grants ⁵	\$6,066,832	\$4,548,989	\$1,517,843	\$ -
New in SFY18 - ACT 59 One-Time Allocations				
Act 59 - WFF Expansion	\$5,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$5,000,000
Act 59 - Tech College Workforce Training	\$5,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$5,000,000
Act 59 - Nursing Training	\$1,500,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$1,500,000
Act 59 - Dept of Corrections Mobile Classroom	\$1,000,000	\$ -	\$1,000,000	\$ -
ACT 59 One-Time Allocations Total	\$12,500,000	\$ -	\$1,000,000	\$11,500,000
Grand Totals	\$55,988,164	\$11,946,383	\$7,015,493	\$36,680,089

Notes:

¹Expenditures include grant reimbursements for all contracted grants.

²Encumbered includes contracted grant amounts not reimbursed or requested for reimbursement as of June 30, 2018.

³Standard WFF budget allocation includes \$100,000 encumbered to Dept. of Corrections for mobile classroom maintenance.

⁴There was no grant-related training for Technical College Wait List, High School Pupil or Training Workers with Disabilities during the SFY18 reporting period since the programs ended in the Spring of 2017. As such, there is no report for these Blueprint for Prosperity programs. More information about these specific programs can be found in the 2017 Annual Report.

⁵Expenditure and Encumbrance break-out for the Act 348 - Consolidated Training Grants is as follows:

	2015 Act 348 Base	SFY18 Allocation (adjusted to meet demand as allowed by 2015 Act 348)	Expenditures	Encumbrance
YA Local Aids Exp	\$2,233,700	\$4,497,343	\$3,367,609	\$1,129,734
ACAP	\$225,000	\$303,791	\$303,791	\$ -
WETAP	\$464,800	\$450,053	\$450,053	\$ -
Youth Summer Jobs	\$422,400	\$815,646	\$427,537	\$388,109
	\$3,345,900	\$6,066,832	\$4,548,989	\$1,517,843

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