The One Workforce for West Michigan Manufacturing grant, led by Grand Rapids Community College Workforce Training, is getting West Michigan ready for the future of manufacturing. This new program brings together economic development, workforce development and community organizations, as well as other community colleges and employers. Partners will work to train our community’s current workforce in automation, digital manufacturing, the Internet of Things (IoT) and more!

By investing in the workforce, this program will:
- Strengthen existing talent pipelines for Michigan manufacturers.
- Create new talent pipelines.
- Prepare those already in manufacturing with new skills for the next phase of manufacturing.
TRAIN FOR A CAREER IN ADVANCED MANUFACTURING AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES.

GRCC and our partners can help you develop new skills to enter the advanced manufacturing workplace if you are:

- Unemployed or underemployed and interested in manufacturing
- Working in manufacturing and wanting to advance in your field.
- Currently enrolled in a manufacturing class or training program.

If you are looking for a great career with a bright future, this is the program you need to be a part of.

Our goal is to provide you with education and training dollars so you can gain the skills you need in advanced manufacturing. Then, our team of Job Developers will connect you with local advanced manufacturing employers who are hiring for well-paying, advanced manufacturing jobs.

Advances in technology continue to change manufacturing, opening up new opportunities and requiring higher level skills. Employers are now looking for employees with skills to work smarter and lower costs to keep their company competitive. This includes learning:

- How data is received from equipment.
- Understanding data.
- Automation (cobot, robotics).
- How to apply advances in artificial intelligence to your work.

To participate you must be 18 years old or older, and able to legally work in the United States.

LOOKING FOR A JOB?

GRCC PARTICIPATING PROGRAMS

Many GRCC manufacturing or applied technology programs are eligible, and current students could have their text book cost covered by the grant, plus get job placement help. New programs are being created as employers share their needs with the college. Current programs include:

Workforce Training Certificate programs
- Lean Principles
- Manufacturing Readiness
- Quality Improvement (many topics offered)

Job Training Certificate programs
- CNC Machining Certificate
- Welding Certificate

Applied Technology and Manufacturing
- Basic Industrial Electricity Certificate
- Electrical Controls/Mechatronics Certificate
- Electrical Controls Engineering Technology AAAS
- Industrial Maintenance Certificate
- Industrial Maintenance Technology AAAS
- Computer Numeric Control Program Certificate
- Machine Tool Certificate
- Plastics-Polymer Engineering Technology Certificate
- Plastics-Polymer Engineering Technology AAAS
- Tooling and Manufacturing Technology Certificate
- Tooling and Manufacturing Technology AAAS
- Welding Certificate
- Welding Skills Certificate
- Welding Technology, AAAS

Get started!
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