



CAREER LIFT

INITIATIVE

**A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN
BUSINESS | INDUSTRY | EDUCATION | COMMUNITY**

MADE POSSIBLE BY:

m **EMPLOYMENT AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**
DRIVE FOR 5 GRANT AWARD

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Shakopee Chamber of Commerce and SouthWest Metro Intermediate District were collectively awarded 1.2 million dollars in Drive for 5 grant funding from the Department of Employment & Economic Development to begin work on the Career Lift Initiative.



SOUTHWEST METRO
INTERMEDIATE DISTRICT 288


PARTNERSHIP

Seeking to equip over 170 individuals with the skills and credentials needed to thrive in high-demand careers in Scott County, the Shakopee Chamber and SWMetro have partnered with over a dozen local businesses, educational institutions and community organizations to build one of the most robust and collaborative jobs programs ever seen in the county.

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Participants in the program will benefit from:

- Training and Credentialing Opportunities through:
DCTC | Inver Hills CC | MNSU Mankato | SWMetro Intermediate District
 - Multiple Job Sector Entry Points to Improve Career Trajectories
 - Work-Based Learning
 - Comprehensive Support Services through Scott County Employment & Training
 - Quality Job Placement and Retention services through the Shakopee Area Chamber of Commerce
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CAREER LIFT GRANT DOLLARS
DRIVE FOR 5 APPROVED PATHWAYS



INSTITUTIONS PROVIDING TRAINING

<ul style="list-style-type: none">Dakota County Technical CollegeInver Hills Community CollegeSouthWest Metro Int #288	<ul style="list-style-type: none">MSU - MankatoSouthWest Metro Int #288	Dakota County Technical College	Inver Hills Community College	Possible Expansion
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CREDENTIALS & CERTIFICATIONS

<ul style="list-style-type: none">Pharmacy TechCNA & MedicationEMT	ASD / EBD Teaching License	Boiler License	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Comptia A+Cyber Security	TBD
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SCOTT COUNTY HIRING PARTNERS

St. Francis Hospital	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Belle Plaine Public SchoolsJordan Public SchoolsSouthWest Metro #288Shakopee Public Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Great Lakes ManagementJordan Public SchoolsSouthWest Metro #288Shakopee Public Schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Comptia A+Cyber Security	TBD
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How SWMetro & Member Districts Benefit

- Training and credentialing of paraprofessionals into the Special Education Instructor Pipeline Dual Licensure EBD / ASD
 - Boiler license training for custodial staff
 - Combined with other DEED grant funds, we are looking to open additional pathways to EBD / ASD licensure beginning immediately after high school graduation. This will strengthen the paraprofessional and special education staff pool in SWMetro and Scott County.
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