About Us

WRTP/BIG STEP is a non-profit public interest organization devoted to family-sustaining jobs in the state of Wisconsin.

The mission of WRTP/BIG STEP is to enhance the ability of private sector organizations to recruit and develop a more diverse qualified workforce in construction, manufacturing and related sectors of the regional economy.



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It is the policy of WRTP/BIG STEP to provide equal employment opportunity to all persons regardless of age, color, national origin, citizenship status, physical or mental disability, race, religion, creed, gender, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity and/or expression, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, status as a disabled veteran and/or veteran or spouse of a veteran or any other characteristic protected by federal, state or local law. In addition, WRTP/BIG STEP will provide reasonable accommodations for otherwise qualified disabled individuals.

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Connecting Employers and Skilled Workers



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Connecting employers to skilled workers

WRTP/BIG STEP offers services to employers and unions as well as community residents looking for careers in manufacturing and construction.

Our services for community residents include:

- Pre-apprenticeship tutoring through the BIG STEP program
- Training certificate courses in a variety of manufacturing and construction disciplines
- Referral services
- RPP/COIN certification

"WRTP/BIG STEP has been instrumental in understanding our needs and developing a curriculum to meet those demands". "Organizations like WRTP/BIG STEP not only support employers in Wisconsin, they support individuals, communities and our local economy by helping put people back to work."

- Alesia Butera Shared Services Manager Milwaukee Gear

Industry-led Solutions

WRTP/BIG STEP works with labor leaders and employers in construction, manufacturing and emerging industries to:

- Keep businesses competitive
- Support family-sustaining jobs
- Connect job seekers to quality jobs
- Improve business productivity

WRTP/BIG STEP is unique because we begin with identifying the jobs. We work directly with employers



and unions to develop training programs aligned with the specific timely needs of the industries.

WRTP/BIG STEP maintains a database of skilled, experienced candidates. At an employer's request, we can access and refer qualified candidates to interview for employment opportunities.

In addition to connecting area employers and unions with job-ready candidates, WRTP/BIG STEP offers a variety of employer services:

- Labor/management partnering
- Recruitment strategies
- Workplace mentoring networks
- Structured OJT training systems

The Center of Excellence for Skilled Trades & Industry is located at the heart of Milwaukee's central-city, on 38th and Wisconsin Avenue.

More than just a physical location, the Center of Excellence is a clearinghouse for the assessment, preparation, and placement of job-ready candidates for careers in manufacturing, construction, and other emerging sectors.