



Grant Program:	Health Care Sector and Other High Growth Emerging Industries
Grantee Name:	American Indian Opportunities Industrialization Center
Grantee City/State:	Minneapolis, MN
Grant Award Amount:	\$5,000,000
Initial Period of Performance:	March 2010 - February 2013
Project Name:	Career Ladders from the Soil to the Sky
Project Description:	The grantee will expand and enhance its successful Health Care Occupations Training Programs. The program will serve learners at four sites in the Hennepin County area of Minnesota, and is designed with core program and educational elements that address the barriers to employment, challenges, and needs of low-income individuals. It will provide a mix of short-term job training, classroom training, intensive tutoring, and unique teaching methods that address varied learning styles.
Areas Served by Grant:	Minneapolis (Cedar Riverside, Central, Elliot Park, Harrison, Hawthorne, Jordan, Lyndale, Near North, Phillips, Powderhorn, Seward and Wittier neighborhoods)
Targeted Industries:	Health Care (Nursing, Allied Health and Long-Term Care)
Targeted Credentials:	Each training course leads to a certificate, registration or license that is recognized by health care employers in the metropolitan area and elsewhere. Certificates for Patient Feeding, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)/First Aid, Trained Medication Aide, Acute Care Nursing, Medical Administrative Assistant, and Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) are accredited by the North Central Accreditation and the MN Dept. of Health. The Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)/Home Health Aide Training and Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) certification provide pathways to state certification.
Targeted Occupations:	Home Health Aide, Certified Nursing Assistant, Emergency Medical Technician, Medical Secretary, Licensed Practical Nurse, Medical Administrative Assistant
Targeted Populations:	Unemployed, dislocated, and incumbent workers
All Project partners:	Minneapolis and Hennepin-Carver Workforce Investment Boards, Minnesota Family Investment Program, Hennepin County Human Services Department, Minnesota Internship Center Charter School, Minneapolis Transitions Charter School, Metropolitan Federation of Alternative Schools, Fairview Health Partners, Park Nicolett Health System, Abbot Northwestern Hospital, Golden Living, Comfort Services Presbyterian Homes, Augustana Homes, St. Olaf, Elim





	Homes
Projected outcomes:	
Total number of participants served:	1,830
Total number of participants beginning education/training activities:	1,830
Total number of participants completing education/training activities:	80% or more
Total number of participants who complete education/training activities and receive a degree/certificate:	80% or more
Total number of participants who complete education/training activities and are placed into unsubsidized employment:	80%
Total number of participants who complete education/training activities and are placed into training-related unsubsidized employment:	80%
Total number of participants placed in unsubsidized employment who retain an employed status in the first and second quarters following initial placement:	90%
Other Key Project Deliverables:	Updated training curriculum, development of an LPN program, and an expansion of three locations to accommodate more students
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