



Grantee:	Blue Green Alliance
Location of Grant Activities:	Minnesota
Areas Affected:	Twin Cities 7-County Metro Area (Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Scott and Washington), Iron Range region of Northeastern Minnesota (Crow Wing, Aitkin, Carlton, Cook, Itasca, Koochiching, Lake and St. Louis counties) and the 38 Southern Minnesota counties covering 53 of Minnesota's 87 counties
Auto-Impacted County Being Served:	Ramsey
Industries of Focus:	Manufacturing
Highlighted Participants Served:	Dislocated workers, women, minorities, veterans, incumbent workers and unemployed steelworkers
National or Local Grant:	Local
Amount:	\$5,000,000
Key Partnerships:	United Steelworkers, Institute for Career Development, Solar Energy Industries Association, Honeywell, Minnesota Renewable Energy Marketplace, Saint Paul Area Chamber of Commerce, Midway Chamber of Commerce, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, Dunwoody College of Technology, RESOURCE, Inc., Quality Career Services, Workforce Investment Boards and One-Stop Career Centers, partner unions, and member organizations
Project Description:	The project will train manufacturing workers to fill the jobs being created in the clean energy economy. Training provided through the project is designed to achieve two goals: 1) increase workers' skills to the level needed to find employment; and, 2) teach workers green manufacturing techniques and processes to make them employable in the green economy. A new curriculum for certified green manufacturing training will be adapted from existing curricula to address the training needs of employers creating green jobs. Employers will be engaged in curriculum development from the beginning of the process. The project will also provide services to ensure that workers learn about training opportunities, complete training, and find and retain employment after training is completed.
Proposed Outcomes:	Approximately 2,060 workers will be enrolled in training. All workers completing training will receive a certificate that indicates they have the skills needed by green manufacturers.
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