Chicago Urban League

Ready to Launch Your Construction Career?

Join the Chicago Urban League Transportation Construction Apprenticeship Readiness Training Program

Get Training, Mentoring, Connections to Union Apprenticeships, and JOBS!

Find out more about training classes beginning in your area by contacting one of our partnering organizations or by visiting www.thechicagourbanleague.org

Austin Peoples Action Center	Chicago Urban League	United Services of Chicago	Black Chamber of Commerce of Lake County
773-921-2121	773-285-5800	773-624-5000	847-599-9510

Applicants must be individuals who have not successfully completed a union apprenticeship and training program in the past or who are not currently journeymen in good standing.
Applicants must be residents of one of the following counties:
Kane, Cook, DuPage, Lake, McHenry and Will

Funded by the Illinois Department of Transportation

Program Fast Facts

Participant Selection Criteria

- Ethnic minority, disadvantaged person or female
- Valid Illinois driver's license
- At least 18 yrs. of age
- Access to reliable auto transportation
- HS Diploma, GED or completion of 10th grade
- Must pass the pre-training drug screening and all subsequent random drug screening
- Unemployed or under-employed
- Not a current journeyman
- A resident of Cook, DuPage, Kane, McHenry, Lake or Will County.
- Must pass a pre-training math test
- Have not previously completed a union apprenticeship training program in the past
- Meet all physical requirements to perform construction work (with or without accommodation)
- Able to consistently attend ALL 11-weeks of training classes on time
- Must demonstrate a sincere desire to pursue a career in the construction industry

Comportment Training

This 3-week training is designed to prepare participants for the Technical Construction Training phase of the program. We will address expectations on industry conduct, life skills and math skills to support your success in the program. Training classes for the first 3 weeks of the program will be held at one of the following partner locations:

- Austin People Action Center, 5125 W. Chicago Ave, Chicago IL 60651
- Black Chamber of Commerce of Lake County , 1020 W. Glen Flora Ave suite 104, Waukegan IL 60085
- Chicago Urban League, 4510 S. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60653
- United Services of Chicago, Inc., 330 E 37th St Chicago, IL 60653

All classes are 8 hours per day and will begin promptly at 7:00 a.m.

We will host eight 3-week Comportment training classes.

Each participant accepted into the program will receive transportation cost assistance for the first 3 weeks.

Technical Training

- The 8-week technical construction training is a hands-on experience presented by our two Union partners and will address required prerequisites needed to successfully apply to and complete the Department of Labor approved apprenticeship training programs
- You must have reliable transportation to and from the facilities at Chicagoland Laborers District Council Training Center, 5700 W. Homer St. in Chicago and the Local 150 Operating Engineers Training Center, 19800 W. S. Arsenal in Wilmington, IL
- Those who successfully complete the 3-Week Comportment Training will enter the 8-week technical training class.
- There are 25 Technical training classes offered
- Each participant will receive a $10 per hour stipend for the 8-week training program. You must attend every class, on time, in order to remain in the program and receive the stipend

Help with Job Placement

- Placement services are provided to every participant who successfully completes the 8-week technical construction training