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Information Session



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AGENDA

1. What is Building Strong Communities (BSC)
2. A Career in the Construction Industry
3. BSC Program Components
4. BSC Program Requirements
5. BSC Participant Expectations
6. Next Steps
7. Questions

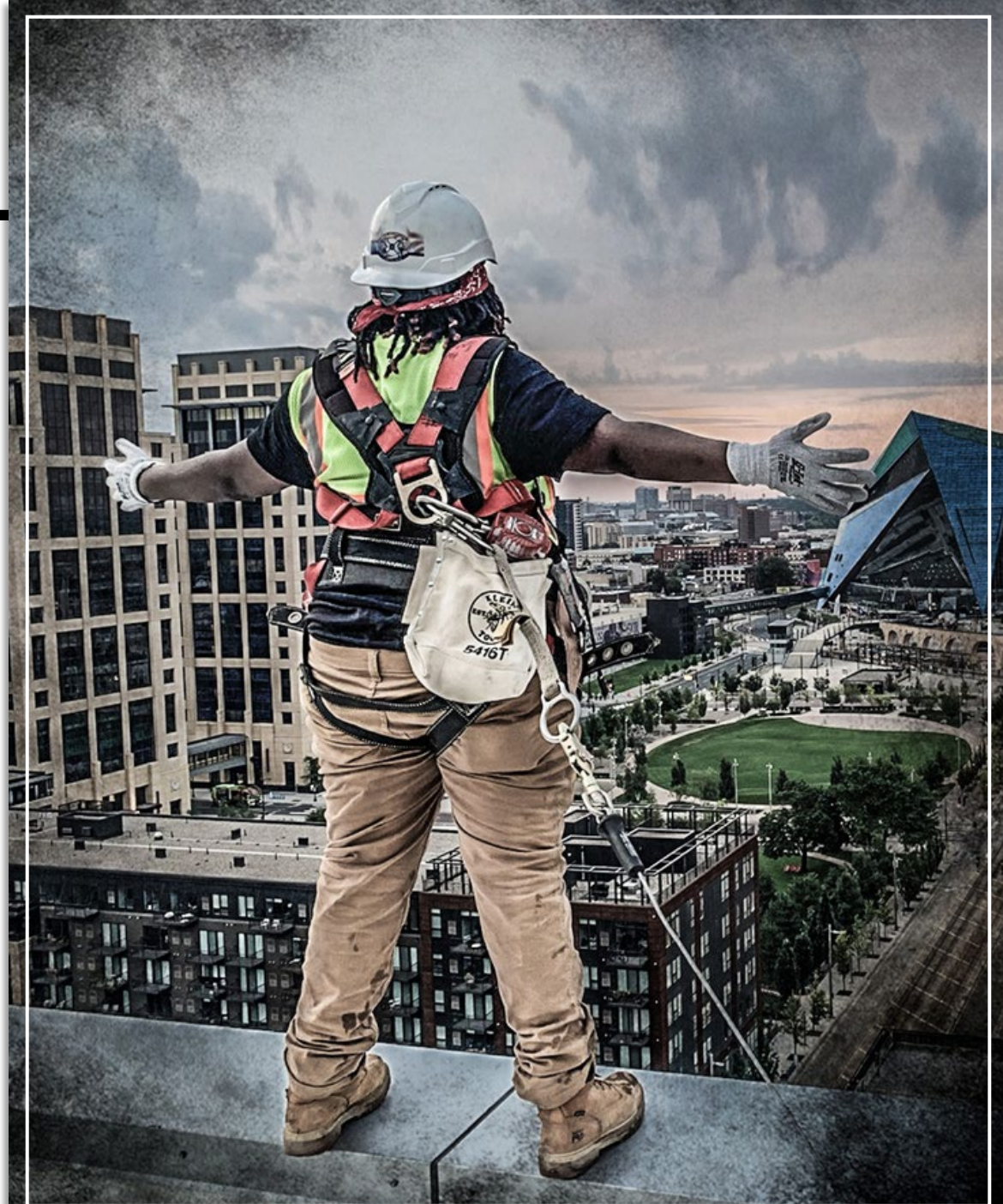
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- Apprenticeship preparatory program that will prepare you for a career in the construction industry.
- Union supported training administered by MBCTC and Affiliated Trades Unions help to get a “foot in the door” to a career in the trades.
- Opportunity to interview with participating Construction Trade Unions and Contractors.

Statewide Programming

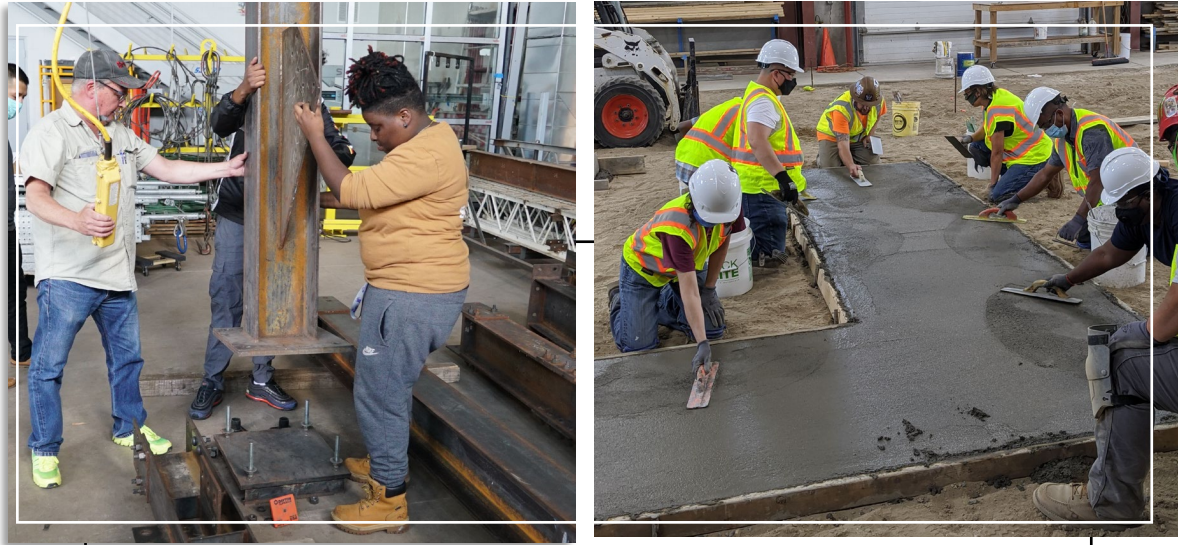
Twin Cities Metro, Duluth, and SE Minnesota



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- Educational prep administered thru North Hennepin Community College, which includes hands on training and construction site tours (4 College Credits Earned)
- Learn trade specific pathway information, industry connections and exposure experiences that support a successful Union apprenticeship
- Empowerment to make an informed choice on construction career pathway
- Physically demanding and competitive



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- Laborers
- Bricklayers
- Iron Workers
- Electricians
- Insulators
- Painters & Allied Trades
- Operating Engineers
- Cement Masons & Plasterers
- Sheet Metal Workers
- Pipe Fitters
- Plumbers
- Sprinkler Fitters
- Boilermakers
- Elevator Constructors



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A CAREER IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

- **What is an apprenticeship?**

Apprenticeship training is a formal system of employee training that combines on-the-job training with related technical instruction.

- **What does a construction career look like?**

Working with hands and mind, working outside, working with a team, and lifelong pride in completed projects that support community development.

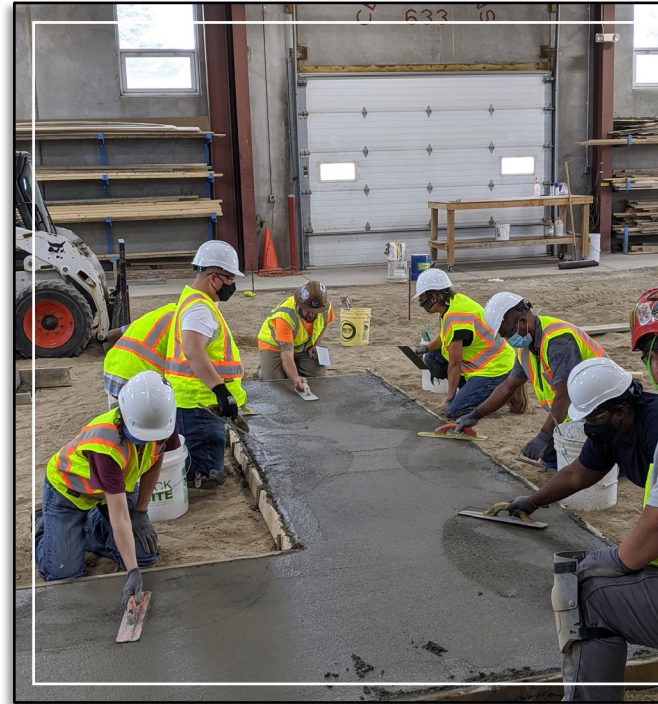
- **What's in it for YOU?**

Pay, training, benefits, work with your hands, work outside, retirement, gateway position to management and business ownership, learn a practical skill.

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Teamwork



Working Outside



Physically Demanding

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STEP

1

- Complete Online Application
- Attend Virtual Info Session
- Complete Intake Interview
- Assigned a BSC Advocate

RECRUITMENT & ENROLLMENT

December - February

STEP

2

- Technical Industry Sessions
- Panel Discussions
- Emotional Intelligence
- Physical Awareness*

VIRTUAL CLASSROOM & TRADE EXPLORATION

February - April

- 100% Virtual Classroom
- 8 Weeks
- Evening Sessions

STEP

3

- Drug Screen
- Panel Interview
- Up to 80 Participants Selected

SELECTION FOR STEP 3

April - May

- Mix of Virtual & Hands-On
- Up to 4 Weeks
- Day, Evening, Weekend TBD

STEP

4

- Facilitate Apprenticeship Opportunities
- Tool and Material Support
- 1 Year Post Apprenticeship Retention Support

APPRENTICESHIP PLACEMENT & SUPPORT

Spring / Summer 2022

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PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Be at least 18 years old by May 1, 2022
- Have earned a high school diploma / GED / or equivalent
- Be able to pass a drug screen
- Possess a valid driver's license and reliable transportation
- NOT be currently enrolled in a construction union or construction trade training program
- Legally eligible to work in the U.S
- Ability to communicate in English

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PARTICIPANT EXPECTATIONS

- Attend live or watch recorded sessions
- 2-3 hours of assignments a week
- Maintain consistent and open communication
- Attendance and participation expectations
- Be prepared and ready to accept Apprenticeship employment offers

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NEXT STEPS

1. Complete online 2023 Building Strong Communities application. – buildingstrong.org

2. Attend a 2023 Building Strong Communities program virtual information session.

Scheduled Information Session dates and times are available on the [Buildingstrong.org](https://buildingstrong.org) webpage, under the “Upcoming Events” section at the bottom of the page.

3. Complete Intake Interview with Building Strong Communities Intake Representative.

Following the review and acceptance of your submitted 2021 Building Strong Communities application and your participation in a Building Strong Communities Program Information Session, you will be contacted to conduct your Intake Interview.



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Questions?

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