

The Career Development Program provides career counseling, training, and job search assistance to people who are unemployed or underemployed, or are interested in acquiring new skills. The program is funded by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) and a grant from the Weinberg Foundation.



- In 2025, the Career Development Program provided individual services to **302** people. Additionally, **33** people attended job search and career development workshops presented by staff.

- 71** participants obtained new employment at the average hourly wage of **\$35.64**.



- 137** received industry-recognized credentials ranging from entry-level technical skills certificates to associate's degrees and occupational licenses and certifications.

- The program provided **209** training scholarships for a total of **\$413,833** (average award of **\$1,980**).



Hi Megan,



I am so incredibly grateful for everything you and JFCS have done for me. You have changed my life and enabled me to get out of a really bad situation in which I was stuck and had no way out. My life and the life of my children will always be changed by that. Thank you for what you do."



Marah -



Thank you for all you do day in and day out, to help others find their golden mecca where their personality and their career types mesh seamlessly, beautifully, productively, and most of all, happily!



Anna,



A million and more sincere and heartfelt thanks for not only hosting the "Focusing on Your Path: Identifying your Personality and Career Type" workshop, but for creating such magic with your insight, and perspective. I was completely awe-struck by what you shared with us; it really was a brilliant breath of fresh air to discover the resources you unveiled for us.

