



2024 Summer Youth Internship Program Awards

Des Moines Area Community College – Ankeny

Award: \$106,373 Number of Participants Served: 40

DMACC's Summer Youth Internship program will provide pre-employment skills, hands-on internship experiences, and other hard and soft skills development for youth ages 14-24. The goal is to prepare participants to succeed in obtaining high demand employment in career fields of interest that provide living wages and potential career advancement in the future. Grant funds will fund both the Evelyn K. Davis Center in Des Moines with a focus on keeping youth aged 18 engaged in high school through graduation. Identified high demand internship opportunities will include human resources, computer programming, digital marketing, maintenance, banking and accounting. DMACC has identified over 25 partnering employers and will co-enroll participants with the Central Iowa WIOA Title I Youth Program.

Des Moines Independent Community School District – Des Moines

Award: \$98,743 Number of Participants Served: 26

The DMPS Summer Youth Internship is a multi-week initiative providing experiences in agricultural and biological tech, carpentry, computer specialists, mechanics and web development occupations. Participants will build both their hard and soft skills and explore career opportunities that extend beyond DMPS as well as gain skills in financial literacy. The program will provide nine mentors working directly with youth to provide on-the-job experiences for ten weeks. The Central Iowa WIOA Title I Youth career planners will be a strategic partner to coordinate co-enrollment of students.

Interstate Power & Light dba Alliant Energy – Marshalltown

Award: \$37,800 Number of Participants Served: 12

This internship program will give participants opportunities to gain experience in an intentional career pathway for in-demand energy careers through a combination of classroom instruction and on-the-job training. By working directly with Alliant Energy mentors to build a critical bridge to energy career opportunities, this program include training in occupations such as electricians, pipelayers, electrical power-line installers/repairers, welders, wind turbine service tech, and industrial machinery mechanics. Alliant Energy has partnered with Iowa Valley Community College as well as the South Central Iowa Workforce Area to co-enroll students in the WIOA Title I Youth program and provide quality instruction to prepare participants for the internship experience.

Ringgold County Hospital – Mount Ayr

Award: \$30,657 Number of Participants Served: 6

The Ringgold Country Hospital Healthcare Internship will be conducted over a 17-week period with students receiving over 175 on-the-job training within that time frame. Participants will have direct exposure/on-the-job training in healthcare careers including clinical laboratory, radiology, and physical therapy. Participants will also receive training on employability skills, hard/soft skills, interviewing skills and resume writing, and financial literacy training, culminating with a mock-interview. Ringgold County Hospital will partner with the TRIO program from Graceland University and Mount Ayr Community School

District to provide skill training in these areas. Student and recent graduate participants will be recruited through Mount Ayr Community School and Diagonal Community School in partnership with the Iowa Plains WIOA Title I office.

St. Anthony's Regional Hospital - Carroll

Award: \$30,560 Number of Participants Served: 16

St. Anthony's Regional Hospital will offer a 6-week internship program aimed at increasing understanding, interest and preparedness for careers in healthcare among youth who face barriers to upward mobility in the Carroll and Denison area. Partners for this program include DMACC-Carroll, Western Iowa Tech Community College, and Carroll High School to assist with student recruitment as well as the Iowa Plains WIOA Title I program to co-enroll eligible participants. The project will support participants with a variety of interests, including laboratory techs, licensed practical nurses, occupational therapy assistants, physical therapy assistants, as well as various IT-related occupations. The internships will include job shadowing in clinical areas for career exploration, as well as mentorship from St. Anthony's personnel and weekly workshops.

WeLIFT Job Search Center Inc. – Indianola

Award: \$16,947 Number of Participants Served: 15

WeLIFT will create a Summer Youth Internship Program for Rural Iowans in Warren, Marion, and Madison Counties which will help educate participants and provide workforce training so participants can obtain a career that provides economic stability. The project will provide a unique opportunity for youth and young adults to grow in their professional skills while simultaneously exploring high demand careers in automotive mechanics, construction, electrician, and social services. WeLIFT has partnered with the Central WIOA Title I office to help support co-enrolled participants.

TOTALS:

Total Awards: \$321,080

Total Number of Projects: 6

Total Number of Participants Served: 115*

**based on applicant estimates*