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Keefe at Night Receives a Career Technical Initiative, CTI Grant for the Expansion of Three Tuition-Free Trade Programs

Keefe Regional Technical School's Continuing Education program, has received a grant in the amount of \$570,000 for the enhancement of its existing Journeyman Electrical Code and Theory Program, and the continuation of its Career Technical Initiative (CTI) grant-funded programs in Journeyman Plumbing Code and Theory, and HVAC-Oil and Gas Burner Technology Certification Program for adults.

The expansion of these 3 programs is made possible through funding by the Career Technical Initiative, which is funded through an appropriation in the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 State Budget and funds appropriated through the federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021. The grant is administered by Commonwealth Corporation on behalf of the Workforce Skills Cabinet. In partnership with the MassHire Metro South/West Career Center, Keefe at Night will administer the programs from the admissions application process to apprenticeship placement, and employment.

The primary objective of the CTI funding and the expansion of these three programs is to address the needs of both job seekers and employers by providing training opportunities for adults in high-demand and high-growth industries. This training will help individuals who are either unemployed or under-employed in establishing career pathways.

In addition to the CTI funding received in 2023, the grant funds awarded to Keefe at Night in 2024 will provide opportunities to 40 eligible adult learners to enroll in the newly-created 200-hour Journeyman Electrical Code and Theory - Module 1 course; 20 in HVAC-Oil Burner Technology Certification preparation; and 10 in Journeyman

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Plumbing Code and Theory - Tier 1. Along with classroom lectures, these programs will include OSHA certification, hands-on practice, and essential career development and employability skills training.

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We are extremely grateful for the opportunity provided by the Career Technical Initiative Grant. We are thrilled to continue to expand Keefe at Night's commitment to workforce development for the community by providing a no-cost option for training for adults in these three thriving industries.

At Keefe at Night, we continuously strive to introduce new programs, particularly those in the trades. The creation and expansion of these three programs aligns with our mission to be a leading workforce training and development resource in MetroWest and beyond.

For information on the admissions application process please contact Soraya Winters at 508-416-2170 or at CTIprograms@ipkeefehs.org

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