



New Grant to CareerSource Central Florida Helps Osceola Residents – Especially Those Who Speak Another Language – Train for Careers in Growing Industries

ORLANDO, Fla. (June 6, 2022) - Today, [CareerSource Central Florida](#), Florida's leading organization which provides comprehensive career services at no cost and works diligently to connect career seekers and local businesses together, announced the Osceola Cares program dedicated for Osceola residents.

Now, citizens of Osceola County who have been impacted negatively by COVID-19, and who qualify, have the opportunity to upskill with new training -- at no cost to them -- and seek career opportunities in some of the county's fastest growing industries, including healthcare, manufacturing and construction.

- Those who engage in the Osceola Cares program will have access to scholarships for re-training and upskilling in growing industries to earn competitive wages with careers to help you grow.
- Residents whose first language is not English will have an opportunity to enroll – at no cost - in “English to Speakers of Other Languages” (ESOL) courses through the program.
- As a bonus for young adults those ages 18-24 will have access to an eight-week work experience program to acquire new skills or expand their work experience.

The Osceola Cares program is funded through Osceola County and CareerSource Central Florida will be diligently working alongside other key partners including, Valencia College, Osceola Career & Technical Education, Osceola Council on Aging and others to implement workforce services for this program that connect and engage the community, neighborhood organizations, post-secondary education, and employers across Osceola County.

CareerSource Central Florida's career services consultants will support program participants with career coaching and planning to help them identify a plan that best fits their needs.

The program is available on a first-come, first-served basis with limited availability.

To learn more about the many career services offered at no cost by CareerSource Central Florida, please visit CareerSourceCentralFlorida.com

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About CareerSource Central Florida

CareerSource Central Florida (CSCF) is Florida's second largest regional workforce board that is state and federally funded with an annual operating budget of approximately \$46.2 million. CSCF provides comprehensive services to connect career seekers and local businesses at no cost. Services include screening and hiring talent; employee training and education; paid internships and no cost skills training and education programs. In fiscal year 2020-2021, CSCF has served more than 54,000 career seekers and 2,700 businesses. The organization has placed more than 6,300 individuals in jobs and helped advance skills for more than 5,100 career seekers across Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Lake and Sumter Counties. For more information, visit www.CareerSourceCentralFlorida.com.

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