



# Career Solutions Services

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## Career Solutions Office Location and Hours:

Hours: 8:00am to 4:30pm Mon – Fri

Located at CareerForce - St. Cloud which is on the north side of the St. Cloud Technical and Community College. There is convenient and free parking (Lot B), we are also on the Metro Bus route.

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## CareerForce Partners:

Career Solutions, Job Service, Vocational Rehabilitation, State Services for the Blind

## Primary Service Area:

Stearns and Benton Counties



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## About Career Solutions

The Local Workforce Development Board, along with the Joint Powers Board, is responsible for the policy guidance and oversight of all job training and job placement activities in Stearns and Benton Counties. Since its beginning in 1988 as Stearns-Benton Employment & Training Council (SBETC), Career Solutions has provided quality employment and training services to youth and adults and is dedicated to increasing the economic vitality of the Central Minnesota Area. Career Solutions provides assistance in building a skilled workforce – workers who can do the jobs of today and learn the jobs of tomorrow.

## Organizational Purpose:

The purpose of Career Solutions is to help our community to grow prosperity by meeting the workforce needs of businesses and job seekers now and in the future.

## Business Services:

Career Solutions connects businesses with qualified workers, provides access to employee training, and links businesses to state, federal, and local resources. Career Solutions focuses on providing a pool of qualified workers who will help businesses grow. Career Solutions on-the-job training (OJT) services reimburse businesses a portion of the cost of training a new employee.

## Career Lab:

Computers are available at the CareerForce for job seekers to do job search activities.

## Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act:

All Career Solutions services are provided and governed under the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). WIOA is landmark legislation that is designed to strengthen and improve our nation's public workforce system and help get people, including youth and those with significant barriers to employment, into high-quality jobs and careers and help employers hire and retain skilled workers.

## ADULT SERVICES:

The **WIOA Adult Program** is available to help unemployed or underemployed individuals find meaningful, self-sustaining work. The WIOA Adult Program provides year round services to individuals who are 18 and older, unemployed, under-employed, or whose family meets low income guidelines. Services include career assessment, career counseling, job seeking and resume writing skills, work-readiness skills, training, on-the-job training (OJT) and support services.

The **WIOA and State Dislocated Worker (DW) Programs** provide services to individuals who are 18 and older who have been permanently separated from employment due to no fault of their own. Career Solutions can assist with career counseling, job search assistance, training, and support services. Program staff work to ensure workers are able to secure permanent jobs in high-demand occupations. You may be eligible if you are: unemployed or about to become unemployed, OR exhausting or exhausted your unemployment benefits, OR recently divorced or widowed, OR recently separated veteran, OR self-employed and business didn't work out.

## YOUTH SERVICES:

The **WIOA Young Adult Program** provides services to eligible individuals who want to obtain a skills credential and self-supportive employment. A career planner provides assessment services to the young adult and needed referrals to community organizations for their continued success in their career plan. The career planner and young adult will determine which services the young adult will need and benefit from to reach their career goals. Career Solutions provides **in-school youth** ages 14 – 21 with one-on-one career planning, assistance with identifying a career pathway and looking at courses related to their pathway, remaining in high school, graduating and job search techniques. Career Solutions provides **out-of-school youth** ages 16 – 24 with one-on-one career planning, assistance with obtaining skill credentialing, and job search techniques. In-school and out-of-school youth services are primarily delivered on a one-on-one basis.

**Minnesota Youth Program (MYP)-CareerONE** is a unique summer youth employability skills training opportunity which provides youth ages 14 – 17 identified as at risk with a realistic and positive work readiness skills training in a safe, nurturing and learning rich environment. It also prevents participants from regressing academically during the summer months. Youth participate in a variety of classroom and community activities including teamwork, contextual academic enrichment, career exploration, work readiness skills, workplace safety, financial literacy, reflections and journaling, and work projects for community based organizations and agencies.

**MYP-Outreach to Schools (OTS)** places interns in high schools in Stearns and Benton Counties to provide services to assist the schools in meeting the World's Best Workforce Legislation related to planning for student's successful transition to post-secondary schooling and employment. Outreach to Schools (OTS) activities complement the work of existing school counselors and provide youth and families with career exploration and career counseling, college information and current labor market information.

**Youthbuild** is a program for youth ages 16 – 21 and is operated in collaboration with St. Cloud Area School District 742. Activities are conducted at Technical High School and Central Minnesota Habitat for Humanity. Youthbuild provides an opportunity for high school students who are at risk of dropping out to focus on completing high school while working part time, and learning basic skills in construction trades. In the summer, Youthbuild students assist with Habitat for Humanity housing projects. During the school year, students work on various projects after school. Youth learn basic safety and construction skills while improving the availability of low-income housing in the community.

**Youth at Work (YAW)** This program identifies 30 at-risk youth per year, over two years, in District 742 and Sauk Rapids-Rice School Districts. The students are then placed at work experience sites with employers in Stearns and Benton Counties to complete a 30-hour internship and a minimum of 10 hours as a volunteer. Students can explore careers, develop soft and employability skills, discover the world of work, receive school credit, and earn a stipend all while receiving a realistic on-the-job experience. Career Solutions YAW Career Planners partner with District Navigators to ensure students receive needed support to accomplish both employment and educational success.