



MISSION

The Chicagoland Workforce Funder Alliance collaborates with employers and other workforce stakeholders to increase employment and earnings for underprepared workers in the 7-county Chicago region.

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INDUSTRY WORKFORCE PARTNERSHIPS

CompTIA



- Our IT Partnership is led by CompTIA, an industry association and the state's IT STEM Learning Exchange.
- Its initial focus is on Chicago's Five Early College STEM Schools, each partnered with a key employer:



CGMP focuses on manufacturers and workers in the Chicago Southland. In the past 4 years it has trained over 150 residents, placing over 100 in jobs. In 2015 CGMP joined *1000 Jobs*, a regional campaign to promote manufacturing careers and the workforce system.



THE GENESIS MOVEMENT

- Led by the Illinois Manufacturing Excellence Center, and with special support from the Hitachi and Kellogg Foundations, the Genesis Movement works with manufacturers to integrate the optimization of people, process and product.
- The Movement is committed to the principles that employers can do well by doing good, and that investing in frontline workers leads to healthier companies with both higher profits and a stronger workforce.



We pursue 5 strategic priorities:

- *Industry Workforce Partnerships*
- *Economic Development Alignment*
- *Policy and Systems Reform*
- *Improving the Use of Data*
- *Workforce Innovation*



Career Connect

- Career Connect is an innovative regional data-solution led by the Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership.
- The new system will serve data collection and analysis needs across multiple public and private funding streams, helping to systematically improve efficiency.



The Funder Alliance plays a key convening and facilitation role in the region at the intersection of economic development and the education pipeline. We facilitate both the Plan for Economic Growth and Jobs' human capital committee, and the Thrive Chicago Employment at Living Wages Change Network.

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RAISE THE FLOOR



- The Funder Alliance is concerned about the growing precariousness of low-wage work. We believe a healthy workforce requires *both* upward mobility *and* a stable base.
- We have partnered with our region's Worker Centers to create the Raise the Floor Alliance. Through this Alliance we are supporting the development and implementation of policies and programs that increase earnings and access to employment for low-wage workers.



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