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CREATIVE INNOVATION TEAM WORK

01 celebrating success.

Caster Concepts is a manufacturer of heavy duty casters and caster wheels based in Albion, MI. The company obtained promising new tools that would increase productivity, but there was one problem: none of their employees knew how to use them!



Caster Concepts knew they needed to invest in their workers so they reached out to Michigan Works! Southeast to apply for the Skilled Trades Training Fund (STTF). The grant moneys were awarded to the manufacturer and used to train two programmers: Jason Johnson and Tim Tittler. Through the course of their training, Jason and Tim developed skills that made them highly valuable in the company.

“Having 5 Axis Training excelled us to enhance our skills as machinists: allowing us to [make] more complex parts more efficiently.” – Tim Tittler

02 our impact.

Michigan Works! Southeast is continuing to impact the local economy. Since January 1st, over 2,000 customers found a new job thanks to our dedicated Career Advisors! Job seekers weren't the only ones who benefited as our local employers enjoyed an influx of dedicated, talented workers.

- 4,099 Jobs were filled since July 1, 2017
- 2,075 Employers were served since July 1, 2017
- 18,588 Individuals were served across our 5 counties
- 62,415 Total visitors came to our One-Stop Service Centers

03 What's Trending: Women in the Workforce

Women are a vital part of Michigan's workforce, but still face many barriers to success. Opportunities for women exist across all industries but there are many occupations where women comprise the vast majority of employees. In this month's issue we highlight the highest paying occupations where the workforce is predominately female.

TOP 5 OCCUPATIONS

These are the top paying female-dominated occupations in the Southeast Michigan area.

- 1. Nurse Practitioners**
Median Pay: \$49.35/hour
Percent that is Female: 90%
- 2. Registered Nurses**
Median Pay: \$33.23/hour
Percent that is Female: 83%
- 3. Secretaries and Administration Assistants**
Median Pay: \$26.08/hour
Percent that is Female: 94%
- 4. Licensed Practical and Vocational Nurses**
Median Pay: \$23.01/hour
Percent that is Female: 88%
- 5. Billing and Postal Clerks**
Median Pay: \$17.70/hour
Percent that is Female: 88%