The United Brotherhood of Carpenters Continues to Pave the Way for Future Carpenters through Career Connections Program

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Training provided by the CITF along with regional training funds is just one way the UBC is helping to address the shortage of skilled workers. Currently the UBC has more than 35,000 participants enrolled in apprenticeship programs across North America. Students who complete one or more skill levels of Career Connections may be admitted to UBC apprenticeship programs having already earned credits toward completion of the apprenticeship program.

Since 2017, the program has seen a steady growth in participation as numbers across the board have nearly doubled in size. Today the Career Connections program is proudly offered in over 400 middle and high schools across the U.S. With over 200 training specialists involved to help support local teachers, the program continues to generate a positive impact. In addition to having an educational presence, the program is also being used in more than 100 local community programs and Job Corps centers throughout North America.

In response to the program’s success, Carole O’Keefe coordinator of the program states, “Knowing that our program is helping to make a difference in the lives of students and community members throughout the nation is truly something to be proud of, and we’re excited to see what the future holds.”

A building trade apprenticeship provides a viable and attractive alternative to college. It allows for a debt-free learning experience as there are no tuition fees for apprenticeships. With training sessions separated by periods of actual time in the field, apprentices are able to earn wages while they work towards becoming a journeyman carpenter.

Traditional apprenticeship programs are a proven model for success. The various training and craft options offered provides an opportunity for men and women to acquire the necessary skills to have a long-term sustainable career, and not just a job in construction.

To learn more about the Career Connections program please visit http://bit.ly/2B3hMMe.
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