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## Free Highway Construction Careers Training Program Coming to Oak Forest This Fall

OAK FOREST, IL—South Suburban College is preparing for the next session of its free Highway Construction Careers Training Program (HCCTP) this fall at the Oak Forest Center. Orientation and Assessment Testing will be August 20-22<sup>nd</sup> with the program set to begin on September 16, 2019.

The training consists of an intensive program to teach the skills necessary for acceptance into the highway construction trades and provide opportunities for careers with high wage potential. Career opportunities include cement mason, electrician, pipefitter, carpenter, laborer, and equipment operator. The requirements for admittance include: valid driver's license, 18 years or older, high school diploma/GED, and completion of assessment testing.

SSC has offered HCCTP since 2014 with 223 of 324 students completing the 12-week training program. HCCTP was implemented to increase the number of minorities, women, and disadvantaged individuals working on IDOT highway construction projects. Construction will always be needed for new buildings, roads, bridges, and other structures. Some of the more skilled construction careers such as engineer require higher education while others such as cement masonry can be learned as an on-the-job apprentice.

All candidates must have a valid driver's license with them to attend orientation. For more information please visit <a href="www.ssc.edu/hcctp">www.ssc.edu/hcctp</a>, call (708) 596-2000, ext. 3219, or email <a href="hcctp@ssc.edu">hcctp@ssc.edu</a>. Para información en Español llame (708) 210-5740. All orientation and assessment testing will be held at the Oak Forest Center. The Oak Forest Center is located at 16333 South Kilbourn Avenue, Oak Forest, Illinois 60452.

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