

Environmental Careers Worker Training Program

Never before has there been such a program like the Environmental Careers Worker Training Program offered by the Unity In The Family Ministry, Deep South Center for Environmental Justice (DSCEJ) and Texas Southern University. The program that offers individuals in our community a different route to career choices by training in environmental remediation.

The Environmental Careers Worker Training Program consist of a 12 week training program. The program is divided into six weeks of basic skills training and six weeks of Environmental Career Worker Training.

Once program participants have successfully completed the six weeks of basic skills training, they will enter into the six weeks technical phase of training (pre-apprenticeship training). Training includes instruction in basic construction and weatherization skills, OSHA regulations, Asbestos & lead abatement, mold remediation, HAZWOPER (emergency response) and basic construction & weatherization. After completing the program students are fully certified and ready to begin work in the field.



**Unity In The Family & DSCEJ
2018-19 ECWTP**



Basic Construction Skills



Study Skills



Asbestos Abatement



Lead Paint Abatement



Hazardous Waste Training Program

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**Unity In The Family Ministry
Deep South Center for Environmental Justice
and Texas Southern University
2018-19 Environmental Careers
Worker Training Program (ECWTP)**



ECWTP

Unity In The Family Ministry is conducting an Environmental Career Worker Training Program (ECWTP). This program is sponsored by the Deep South Center for Environmental Justice and Texas Southern University who was awarded a grant by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences; to provide the ECWTP services. The program will train and underserved population in asbestos & lead abatement, mold remediation, basic construction and weatherization and Hazardous Waste Operations, OSHA 30 Construction and Emergency Response (HAZWOPER).

The Environmental Career Worker Training Program is also being conducted in Houston, Detroit, and New Orleans. The Pensacola worker training initiative will be conducted at the Jolene Avant Center of Excellence; With Dr. Calvin Avant and Mr. Timothy Grier spearheading the project. The Jolene Avant Center is located at 615 N. "W" Street Pensacola, FL 32505. Contact Dr. Calvin Avant or Mr. Timothy Grier at 850-433-9377 or email them at calavant2905@gmail.com, Monday thru Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, for more information.



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UNITY IN THE FAMILY

MISSION

Unity In The Family Ministry developed and embraces a model for community partnership. Our mission is to assist underserved communities by providing assistance in social justice, economic developing, job training, and an advocate on issues related to environmental and climate justice.

VISION

Unity In The Family, Inc, vision is to help and under-served population reinvent their lives by obtaining a workable option that will cause them to reconcile relationships with their families and community. This reconciliation will occur by men and women regaining power over their life controlling problems such as unemployment, substance abuse, lack of job training, social skill and environmental justice issues in their communities.

UNITY IN THE FAMILY MINISTRY



REACHING OUT TO HELP

PROPOSE

Unity In The Family Ministry, Inc, is a 501(c) 3 tax exempt nonprofit organization that was established to give individuals in our community a the ability to reconcile relationships with their families. This reconciliation will occur by men and women regaining power over their life controlling problems such as drugs, sex, alcohol, food, gambling, compulsive behavior, work, emotional dysfunctions, social dysfunctions, or any substance and/or behavior that they cannot stop in spite of the negative consequences created in their life.



In response to community interest in creating employment opportunities for residents in cleaning up environmental hazards, the DSCEJ developed and has conducted worker health and safety training since 1995. The Center's **Environmental Career Worker Training Program (ECWTP)** prepare people in underserved communities for occupations in environmental remediation and restoration, emergency response, construction, asbestos removal, mold removal, lead abatement, and hazardous materials/waste handling.

The Center leads the worker health and safety training programs in New Orleans with partner organizations in Houston, TX; Detroit, MI; Pensacola, FL; and Savannah, GA. Under a cooperative agreement with the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), these training programs are currently administered by Texas Southern University (TSU) under the direction of Dr. Robert Bullard, Principal Investigator, TSU, and Dr. Beverly Wright, Co-Principal Investigator and Executive Director of the Deep South Center for Environmental Justice, Inc.

Over the last four years, the Center has been engaged in many conversations with the Pensacola community on how it could more actively and directly work with Pensacola Environmental Justice communities. In this collaborative atmosphere the Center included Pensacola in its renewal application to the National Institute for Environmental Health Sciences for an additional five years of funding for the Center's Environmental Careers Worker Training Program. Utilizing its relationships with Unity in the Family Ministry, Inc., directed by Dr. Calvin Avant and Mr. Timothy Grier.

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Student Assessment/Intake Criteria

I. This is a list of criteria that each participant must meet before an applicant is accepted into the program:

1. Must reside in the target areas
2. Have a High School Diploma or GED
3. Must be at least 18 years of age
4. Must be un/underemployed
5. Must speak English
6. Must be drug and alcohol free
7. Must read on 9th grade level

II. Each potential participants must complete the following tasks prior to being allowed to participate in the program:

1. Attend an orientation session
2. Complete criteria for participation checklist found in section I
3. Complete application
4. Take the TABE (Test of Adult Basic Education) for reading proficiency. You must score an 85 or above on the TABE
5. Complete an interview
6. Participate in the "Week of Endurance" training.

Participants that successfully complete these tasks are eligible for selection for the program.



"Week of Endurance"