



# WORKFORCE

## Development Resources

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## Columbia County Resources

### Job Center Locations

#### Job Center of Wisconsin: Sauk County Job Center

505 Broadway, Baraboo, WI 53913, (Located in the West Square Building) / 608-355-4810 /

Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

<https://www.scwijobs.com/sauk>

Offers tools and resources to assist job seekers, including workshops, skills and interest testing, and career advice.

### Employment and Training

#### WorkSmart Network

505 Broadway St. Baraboo, WI 53913 / 608-355-4810. (Located in the Sauk County Job Center)

<http://www.worksmartnetwork.org/>

An employment and training service provider serving: Columbia, Sauk, Dane, Jefferson, and Marquette counties. WorkSmart Network assists: dislocated workers, veterans, and young adults. Programs include job search skills and resume building, referral to service agencies, and training services.

#### Forward Service Corporation

2875 Village Road, Suite 200 / Portage, WI 53901 / 608-742-1089

<http://www.fsc-corp.org/>

A non-profit corporation focused on four areas: jobs, education and training, transportation, and housing. Not all programs and services are available in all counties and locations. Programs from Forward Service Corporation:

**Job Access Loan (JAL)** – Provides up to \$1600 in a no interest loan for work-related needs.

**Wisconsin Works (W2)** - Wisconsin's TANF (Temporary Aid for Needy Families) program, provides cash assistance for families, while participants prepare and apply for work.

**FSET (FoodShare Employment and Training)** - Provides food assistance through FoodShare to families while participants prepare and gain job skills.

**Emergency Assistance** - Assists families who've had- or are- in danger of having utilities to their home shut off.

**WETAP / Wheels to Work** – Helps low-income individuals get transportation.

## Community Resources

### 2-1-1 Wisconsin

<https://211wisconsin.communityos.org/>

Search for community resources by name, keyword, and location.

### Community Resource Guide - Columbia County Health and Human Resources

<https://tinyurl.com/ybypu9yu>

Developed by the Columbia County Health and Human Services Department the comprehensive guide is arranged by topic. Employment and training resources are located on pages 21-24. Some resources referenced are outside of Columbia County.

## Community Information

### ALICE in Columbia County - 2014 Point-in-time-Data (1 page)

<https://tinyurl.com/y8cpmuax>

ALICE, an acronym for Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed, are households that earn more than the Federal Poverty Level, but less than the basic cost of living for the county (the ALICE Threshold). Combined, the number of poverty and ALICE households equals the total population struggling to afford basic needs.

### 2019 Economic and Workforce Profile: Columbia County

<https://bit.ly/393wpxR>

Begins with a statewide workforce profile, then details Columbia County. Major municipalities and industries in the county are listed. Projected growth areas are featured in the guide. The publication was created by the South Central Workforce Development Area - Department of Workforce Development

### Workforce Development Board of South Central Wisconsin

<http://wdbscw.org/>

3513 Anderson St., Suite 104. Madison, WI 53704 / 608-249-9001

One of eleven regional workforce development boards around the state. The workforce development board plans and oversees federal and state-funded workforce development programs. Workforce Development Board South of Central Wisconsin extends from Sauk County to Jefferson in a region known as Workforce Development Area 10.

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