



WORKFORCE Development Resources

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Portage County Resources

Job Center Locations

Job Center of Wisconsin: Comprehensive Job Center - Wisconsin Rapids, WI

<https://tinyurl.com/ya2w9m5r>

320 W. Grand Ave., Suite 102 Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54495 / 715-422-5000 / Fax: 715-422-5026 / Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM

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

Employment and Training

Forward Service Corporation

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

1100 Center Point Drive, Suite D Stevens Point, WI 54481 / 715-544-1562 / Fax: 715-544-1563 / info@fsc-corp.org / **Open by appointment only.**

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:

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

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

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.

WIOA (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act) - Helps job seekers find employment training, education opportunities, financial aid, and career guidance.

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

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CAP Services, Inc.

<https://capservices.org/>

2900 Hoover Road, Suite A, Stevens Point, WI 54481 / 715-343-7500 / Fax: 715-343-7520

A not-for-profit corporation providing employment, health access, housing, transportation, and economic development services. Services are offered in central and eastern counties of Wisconsin, including Portage and Wood.

Community Resources

2018 Community Resource Directory

<https://tinyurl.com/y99aomje>

Developed through a collaboration between United Way of Portage County, Aging & Disability Resource Center, and Portage County Health and Human Services. It is a comprehensive listing of services for residents including: health, finance, employment, education, and housing.

United Way of Portage County: Help for Hard Times

<https://tinyurl.com/yxg7khw1>

1100 Centerpoint Drive, Ste 302. Stevens Point, WI 54481 / 715-341-6740

Created by United Way. Several locations throughout Wisconsin. The areas of service include: education, financial stability, health, and safety net services (housing and food). The 2-1-1 referral service is available to locate services and organizations by location.

Community Information

ALICE in Portage County (1 page)

<https://tinyurl.com/ydaj6gkn>

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). The report was created by United Way.

2019 Economic and Workforce Profile: Portage County

<https://bit.ly/2utwegi>

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

North Central Wisconsin Workforce Development Board

<http://ncwwdb.org/>

3118 Post Road, Suite A. Stevens Point, WI 54481, 715-204-1640 / Email: info@ncwwdb.org

Northcentral Wisconsin Workforce Development Board extends from Adams County to the north central part of the state in a region known as Workforce Development Area 6.

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