

Opportunity WORKS

Sector-driven internships
for young adults
in suburban
Cook County



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- ▶ **Opportunity Works** helps employers build their talent pipeline by connecting them to young adults seeking a career.
- ▶ More than 33,000 young adults between the ages of 16-24 are disconnected from both work and school in suburban Cook County. At the same time, many employers report a shortage of skilled workers.
- ▶ **Opportunity Works** places young adults in subsidized internships, exposes them to viable careers, expands their skill sets and connects them to the training and resources they need to achieve long-term employment in growing industries.

Benefits to Businesses

- ▶ **Expand your reach** by introducing young adults to local business and industry.
- ▶ **Connect to resources**, including customized training, strategic subsidies, and screened candidates.
- ▶ **Offset risk at no cost** by partnering with organizations that screen, insure, employ and prepare interns for the workplace.

How Your Business Can Help

- ▶ **Host an intern**
- ▶ **Sponsor the program**
- ▶ **Provide job shadowing**
- ▶ **Offer site visits**
- ▶ **Serve as a guest speaker**

For More Information

- ▶ To speak to an employer relations specialist, call 708.497.9614 or email oppworks@prairiestate.edu