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Success Stories

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FREMONT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION — Career Readiness Kits

Thanks to generous support from the Fremont Community Foundation, Michigan Works! West Central is able to provide Career Readiness Kits to participants who demonstrated commitment by attending two or more weekly career development workshops.

These workshops are designed to meet participants where they are and guide them step-by-step toward employment readiness. Workshops cover essential topics such as Resume Building, Personal Branding, Networking, Job Applications and Interviewing, culminating in participation at a local job fair.

The Career Readiness Kits serve as both a practical resource and a symbol of encouragement. Each kit included a 90-day career-search journal, notebook, pens and personal-care items — all tools that reinforce organization, consistency and self-confidence. Participants used journals to track applications, prepare for job interviews and set weekly career goals, helping them stay focused and motivated throughout their job-search journey.



By combining hands-on workshops with meaningful supplies, community foundation funds directly enhance participant engagement and preparedness. These kits help remove small but significant barriers, empowering participants to approach their job search with confidence, professionalism and a sense of dignity. This support strengthened not only their career readiness, but also their belief that they are worthy of success, which is an outcome that extends far beyond the classroom.