

MICHAEL — WIOA Adult

Michael found himself unemployed and ready for a change. He was searching for a career path that aligned with his interests and could provide steady income to support his household. After considering his options, Michael set his sights on earning his commercial driver's license (CDL) and pursuing a career in the trucking industry.

On Oct. 2, 2024, Michael passed his CDL permit test—a key first step in reaching his goal. With guidance from his Talent Specialist at the Reed City Michigan Works! West Central service center, he stayed on track and successfully enrolled in CDL training, which began on Nov. 20, 2024. He was enrolled in the WIOA Adult program and his Talent Specialist regularly checked in, offering support and encouragement throughout the process.

Michael worked hard and remained focused during his training. He took the state exam on Dec. 24, and Dec. 26, 2024, and passed, officially earning his CDL certification. Just two weeks later, on Jan. 6, 2025, he began his new career with Foreway Transportation—one of the top three companies he had originally hoped to work for.



Michael credits his success to staying committed and focused on his goals. He shared his appreciation for the support he received throughout the journey.

“A big thank you to my trainers at FCG Truck Driver Training for their support. Because of their guidance,

I was able to start my career with Foreway Transportation just two weeks after completing my training,” he said.

Michael's story is a strong example of how determination, clear goals, and the right support system can lead to life-changing opportunities.