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The Alliance for Working Together Foundation Launches WorkAdvance Program to Boost Job Skills and Employment Opportunities

Mentor, OH, (04/11/2023) — The Alliance for Working Together (AWT) Foundation is proud to announce the launch of our WorkAdvance Program, designed to provide job seekers with the skills and resources they need to succeed in today's job market.

Our WorkAdvance program is more critical than ever. The program offers job seekers access to training, career coaching, and job placement services, all tailored to meet their individual needs and career goals.

"We recognize that many individuals are struggling to find work or are in jobs that do not fully utilize their skills and potential," said AWT's Executive Director, Teresa Simons. "Our WorkAdvance program is designed to provide a path forward for these individuals, helping them gain the skills and knowledge they need to secure good-paying, sustainable jobs."

WorkAdvance is a comprehensive program that includes:

- Industry-recognized credentials that increase participants' knowledge and skill set in demand by employers in our area
- Resume building, interview preparation, and an introduction to workplace etiquette to succeed in the manufacturing sector
- Job placement services that connect participants with employers that are ready to hire today
- The program is open to individuals of all ages and backgrounds, focusing on those who have been unemployed, underemployed, or facing other barriers to employment.

The AWT Foundation received EDA Good Jobs Challenge Grant funding through OMA as the Industry Sector Partner for Lake, Geauga, Ashtabula, and Eastern Cuyahoga County. This funding allows AWT to provide the WorkAdvance Program free of charge to participants through the term of the grant. This three-week training session is an entryway into rewarding careers in manufacturing. The AWT Foundation will begin offering this program of in-demand credentials, coaching, and job connections on May 8, 2023, and will continue to offer this three-week program throughout the term of the grant.

To learn more about the WorkAdvance program and how to participate, visit www.thinkmfg.com/workadvance/ or contact us at WorkAdvance@thinkmfg.com or (440) 462-1998.

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About Alliance for Working Together (AWT) Foundation

The Alliance for Working Together (AWT) Foundation is a 501-c(3) non-profit dedicated to promoting rewarding manufacturing careers. AWT is a coalition of education, business, social services, and community leaders focused on aligning the learning system with the needs of the business community to support economic growth. As a membership organization, we work together to introduce students to manufacturing and connect businesses to engage with their potential future workers. Based in Northeast Ohio, AWT, and its members work toward the sustainability of manufacturing in our community. For more information about AWT, please visit www.thinkmfg.com.