

DID YOU KNOW? Out of every 10 jobs:



Michigan needs more skilled workers for high-demand, high-tech and high-wage jobs. Too many young people are leaving school without the skills that employers desire, and without a plan or hope for the future.

Together, we can change the course with a systemic redesign of Career and Technical Education (CTE) in Kalamazoo County.

HOW CAN WE PREPARE MORE STUDENTS FOR THE FUTURE?

Career exploration, coaching & building 21st Century skills

Work-based learning & on-the-job training

Accessible & equitable CTE programs

EDUCATION THAT WORKS FOR STUDENTS AND OUR COMMUNITY!

What would students get from this CTE millage?

- ▶ More apprenticeships, work-based learning, career coaches and planning to expose students to more careers and help them choose the right career
- ▶ Efficient transportation so more students can participate
- ▶ More students earning credentials/certificates, developed with local employers
- ▶ State-of-the-art technology and equipment to prepare students for high-demand, high-skill, high-wage careers
- ▶ A centrally located Career Center with smaller satellite locations
- ▶ Increased equity, efficiency and quality of K-12+ CTE programming
- ▶ Extra support staff to help at-risk students and those with disabilities
- ▶ Skills students need to earn a good living, allowing them to raise families in the area



A homeowner with a home with a taxable value of \$75,000 (approximate market value of \$150,000) would pay \$6.25/month.

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For the foreseeable future, the biggest obstacle to the growth of our company is the lack of qualified skilled workers to perform the work.”

— Rex Bell, President, Miller-Davis Company and General Contracting

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We have some 1,200 jobs that could go unfilled today and we have approximately 35% of our working population eligible to retire in the next 5-10 years, leaving many more openings.”

— Ron Kitchens, Senior Partner and CEO, Southwest Michigan First

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We're in a constant state of search, looking for people to fill well-paying jobs.”

— Dave Maurer, President, Humphrey Products



Learn more about the KRESA CTE Millage at kresaCTE.org.