



# Fueling the Future Muscatine County April 2024 Update



The "Fueling the Future" project, funded by Future Ready Iowa and HRSA, targets adults in 144 low-income families of elementary- aged children receiving weekend "backpack" food subsidies in Muscatine County and engages them in a six-week intensive "earn while you learn" up-skill training. This multi-stepped pilot will provide stabilization of emergent family issues; education for the custodial adults in high demand jobs; long-term advancement of skilled workers in the community; and a stronger next-generation Iowa workforce.



## Client Success Story

Two Fueling the Future participants graduated from the Certified Nursing Assistant program and are registered through the state of Iowa. One CNA has been hired at Lutheran Homes and will earn \$22 per hour, an \$8 increase from their previous employment. Additionally, the participant was certified in Medical Coding & Billing following the elimination of financial barriers achieved through Fueling the Future services.

	Families Graduated from MCC	Families Enrolled at MCC	Families Preparing for Future Sessions
<b>CNA</b> 	<b>18</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Welding</b> 	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>CNC</b> 			
<b>Pharmacy Tech</b> 	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>

## Children Impacted

- There are 439 children whose parent or guardian has participated in the program
- There are 69 children whose parent or guardian has graduated from the program and is employed

### Collaborative Grant Partners:

- Trinity Muscatine Public Health
- Muscatine Community College
- City of Muscatine
- Muscatine Center for Social Action
- Aligned Impact Muscatine County
- United Way of Muscatine
- Community Foundation of Greater Muscatine

### Matching Partners:

- Community Foundation of Greater Muscatine
- HNI
- Kent Corporation
- Muscatine Community College
- Toyota of Muscatine
- Trinity Hospital Foundation
- United Way of Muscatine

### Employers:

- Lutheran Living
- Simpson Memorial Home
- Wester Drug
- HWH Corporation
- Raymond
- UTLX
- HyVee
- Wilton Retirement Community