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Employ Milwaukee Announces Relocation to 1322 N. 8th Street to Expand Training, Access, and Opportunity

Milwaukee, WI – Employ Milwaukee, the workforce development board serving Milwaukee County, today announced that it will relocate its corporate headquarters from 2342 N. 27th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53210 to 1322 N. 8th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53205. The organization will complete the move by the end of 2025 and officially open its new location to the public on February 2, 2026.

Employ Milwaukee extends its sincere thanks and appreciation to Wisconsin Community Services (WCS), its landlord for the past five years at 2342 N. 27th Street, for their valued partnership and support. The two organizations will continue to collaborate closely, particularly on reentry initiatives, hiring events, and employment pathways for returning citizens.

The decision to move was guided by a set of criteria established by Employ Milwaukee's Executive Committee, and the new 8th Street location meets every benchmark. The site is adjacent to a high-need neighborhood, is human-centered and welcoming for jobseekers and partners, is easily accessible with multiple bus lines and nearby transit options, is highly visible, and has the capacity to function as a dynamic training center.

"This move positions Employ Milwaukee at the heart of opportunity," said Julie Cayo, President and CEO. "Our new location will not only expand our ability to serve jobseekers but also strengthen our employer and education partnerships to create a true hub for training, employment, and innovation."

Several exciting initiatives will launch at the new site, including:

- Center for Healthcare Careers of Southeastern Wisconsin (CHCSEW) co-locating with Employ Milwaukee and delivering its free Medical Assistant Training Program on-site.
- BankWork\$, a national financial services training program, being offered on-site to prepare residents for careers in banking and finance.
- NEW 8-week entry level healthcare training program to be offered on site in Spring of 2026.
- A growing suite of programming including TABE testing, job readiness training, AI training for youth, and a speaker series featuring leaders from business, education, and community organizations.

The surrounding neighborhood makes the 8th Street location an ideal home for a learning and opportunity hub. Nearby partners and assets include Hillside Terrace Public Housing, the upcoming Nature & Culture Museum of Wisconsin, Milwaukee Bucks, Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Milwaukee Mardak headquarters and Youth Ready Center, Milwaukee Area Technical College (MATC), Pearls for Teen Girls, UW-Milwaukee Joseph J. Zilber School of Public Health, and other education and youth-serving organizations.



"Being part of this vibrant, education-focused corridor positions Employ Milwaukee to deepen relationships, align services, and provide more seamless pathways from learning to earning," said Carla Cross, President & CEO of Cross Management Services, Inc. and Chair of Employ Milwaukee's Board of Directors.

"The co-location of Employ Milwaukee and CHCSEW in a building that has the capacity to host training for our community's job seekers strengthens Milwaukee's healthcare talent pipeline by creating accessible pathways into high-demand roles — supporting both our workforce needs and the long-term health of our community," said Andres Gonzalez, Vice President, Community Engagement & Chief Diversity Officer, Froedtert ThedaCare Health, Inc., Vice Chair of Employ Milwaukee's Board of Directors, and investing partner in the CHCSEW.

Employ Milwaukee looks forward to welcoming jobseekers, employers, training partners, and community members to its new home in February 2026. Information on an Open House and sponsorship opportunities will be released in early 2026.

About Employ Milwaukee

Employ Milwaukee is the business-led, federally certified workforce development board for Milwaukee County whose dual mission is connecting job seekers to employment, training, and career pathways while supporting employers with access to skilled talent. Through innovative programs and strategic partnerships, Employ Milwaukee supports a robust regional economy.

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