



# LRT BUILD

Apprenticeship Preparatory Program

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The LRT BUILD Program is a **10-week apprenticeship preparatory program** that will prepare you for an exciting and well-paid career in the construction industry. This program offers graduates the opportunity to meet with unions and contractors working on the Southwest Light Rail Transit (METRO Green Line Extension) Project.

### The 10-week program includes:

- 4 weeks of **job readiness training**
- 4 weeks of **core construction training** in the classroom
- 2 weeks of **hands-on training** with construction unions

### Benefits of the LRT BUILD Program:

- Earn a scholarship to pay for the tuition of this program
- Opportunity to earn industry-recognized OSHA 10 credentials
- Opportunity to earn college credits at North Hennepin Community College
- Connect with trade unions and apply to work in a trade of your choice
- Connect with contractors working on the Southwest LRT Project
- Wages for apprentices in key construction fields start at over \$18 an hour

### How to apply:

Application materials and a schedule of information sessions are available online at [metro council.org/swlrt/LRTBUILD](http://metro council.org/swlrt/LRTBUILD).

1. Attend an upcoming information session
2. Decide which program start date works best for you:  
**April 17 or June 5, 2017**
3. Complete the application form
4. Take aptitude test – program staff will contact applicants to schedule testing

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

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## About the Southwest LRT Project

The Southwest Light Rail Transit (LRT) project (METRO Green Line Extension) is a new 14.5-mile light rail transit line that will connect downtown Minneapolis, St. Louis Park, Hopkins, Minnetonka, and Eden Prairie. Construction of the new LRT line will begin in 2017 and continue through 2021. Many different kinds of construction jobs will be available on this project, including: masonry, welding, carpentry, HVAC, electrical, plumbing, operating equipment, and more. [Learn more about Southwest LRT at www.swlrt.org.](http://www.swlrt.org)

### To participate in the LRT BUILD program, you must:

- Be at least 18 years old.
- Have received a high school diploma or GED, or be scheduled to graduate from high school by June 2017.
- Possess a valid driver's license by the end of the 10-week program.
- **NOT** already be enrolled in a construction union.

### Physical requirements:

- Participants must be able to pass a DOT physical examination.
- Participation may require up to two-thirds (2/3) or more of the time, standing, walking, talking and hearing. The ability to see details at close range, manual and finger dexterity and arm-hand steadiness are required. You must be able to lift up to fifty (50) pounds by yourself, and be able to lift more than one hundred (100) pounds with assistance when needed. Two-thirds (2/3) or more of the time may be working near moving parts and equipment, or in the presence of vibrations, fumes or airborne particles.



### Criminal background and substance abuse:

- Having a criminal background is not normally a barrier in this industry. Any issues will be reviewed on a case by case basis.
- Participants **MUST** remain substance abuse free during and after the LRT BUILD program. Employers will conduct drug screening prior to employment. Program participants must be ready to receive the knowledge taught in class.

**Making a false statement or withholding information (misrepresentation) may cause an applicant to be rejected.**

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The LRT BUILD program is offered in partnership with:



**Hennepin-Carver Workforce Development Board**



North Hennepin  
Community College

**Construction  
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