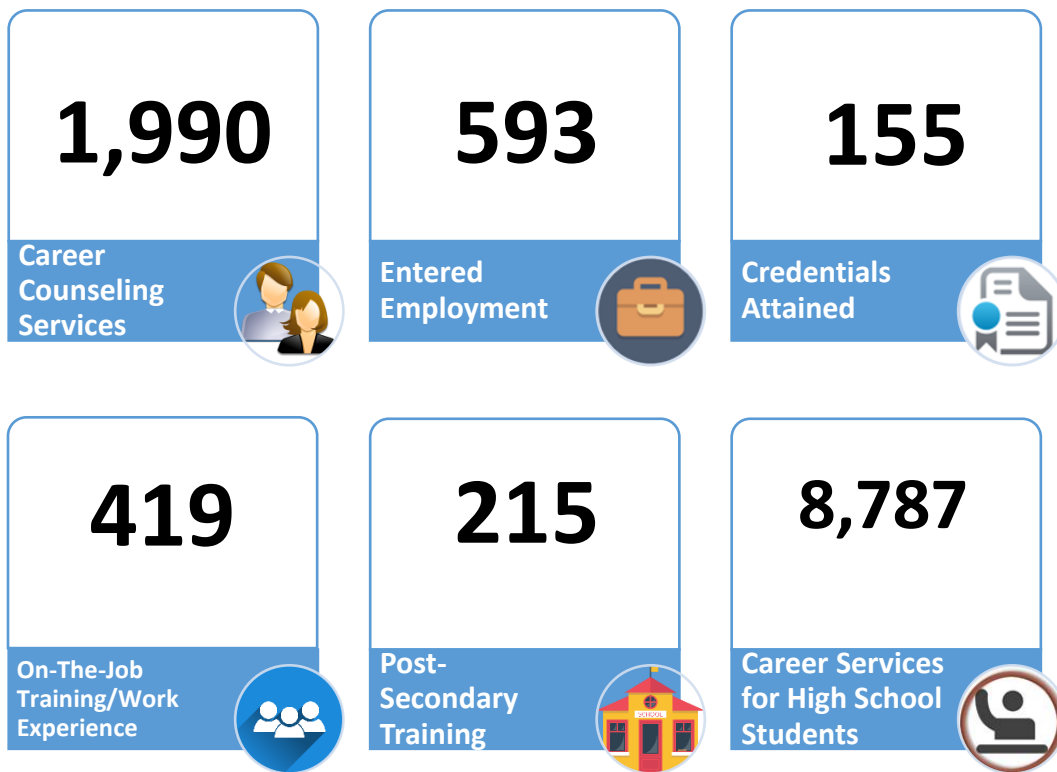


“Develop and Maintain a Quality Workforce for South Central Minnesota”

RESULTS

- ✓ Strengthened Region’s Workforce
- ✓ Employment Driven Services
- ✓ Reduced Employment Disparities
- ✓ Reskilling Strategies to Address Workforce Shortages



Summary of Program Year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024

Total Expenditures: \$4,913,544

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ▶ Individualized Career Counseling Services
- ▶ Career Pathway Programs
- ▶ Career Exploration Services for School Districts
- ▶ Labor Market Infographics
- ▶ Training and Skill Development in High Demand Occupations
- ▶ Incumbent Worker Training

The South Central WorkForce Council is focused on helping local business and industry meet their workforce needs. Our members on the “front line” setting policy for workforce development programs and initiatives in the Region 9 area.



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The Joint Powers Board is the local government body that appoints WorkForce Council members and partner in overseeing area employment and training programs. The Joint Powers Board includes a Commissioner from each of our nine counties.

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