# Minnesota Economic Recovery Jobs Program - Grantees

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| **Organization** | **Area Served** | **Grant Award** | **Number of Individuals Served** |
| HIRED | North Minneapolis, and Surrounding Suburbs including Brooklyn Park and Brooklyn Center | $200,000 | 40 |
| Tree Trust | Twin Cities seven-county metropolitan area | $249,332 | 53 |
| African Immigrants Community Services | Twin Cities (focus in Cedar-Riverside and Phillips neighborhoods) | $233,336 | 50 |
| Somali Community Resettlement Services of Olmsted County | Twin Cities seven-county metropolitan area | $267,332 | 57 |
|  | **Total:** | **$950,000** | **200** |

# Project Descriptions

**HIRED - Training for Tomorrow Program, $200,000**

HIRED’s Training for Tomorrow Program primarily serves low-income youth of color with multiple barriers to employment. The program focuses on serving individuals from North Minneapolis, and surrounding suburbs including Brooklyn Park and Brooklyn Center. The program provides one-on-one career readiness, life skills, job readiness, and technology training. This training is paired with a paid work experience opportunity in manufacturing, customer service, or other in demand industries. Medtronic is a major employer partner that will provide work experience opportunities in the manufacturing sector.

Website: [www.hired.org](http://www.hired.org)

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**Tree Trust -** **Career Pathways Young Adult Tree Care Program, $249,332**

Tree Trust’s Career Pathways - Young Adult Tree Care (YATC) Program serves low-income, displaced workers, and previously incarcerated individuals with a focus serving on BIPOC communities throughout the Twin Cities seven-county metropolitan are. The program provides participants career readiness, financial literacy, and life skills training. Participants will also receive paid on-the-job training and work experience that will lead to an industry recognized Tree Care Apprentice Certificate and preparation for jobs in tree care, landscaping, and the tree management industry.

Website: [www.treetrust.org](http://www.treetrust.org)

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**African Immigrants Community Services -** **Youth Technology Employment, $233,336**

The Youth Technology Employment program provides serves low-income Somali and East African individuals in the Twin Cities, specifically focused on serving those from the Cedar-Riverside and Phillips neighborhoods of Minneapolis. The program provides IT career pathway and financial literacy training prior to a paid internship with a technology company. The IT career pathway training includes training in areas such as web design and development, graphic design, UX/UI design, digital marketing, database administration, Word press, and coding.

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**Somali Community Resettlement Services -** **East African Employment Accessibility, $267,332**

The East African Employment Accessibility program will serve low-income individuals from east African and Somali Communities throughout the Twin Cities seven-county metropolitan area. The program focuses on training in Healthcare, Information Technology, and general career exploration. Program training includes career readiness, basic computer training, basic health training such as first aid and CPR, food service training for ServSafe, and life skills training. In addition to training, the program provides participants placement into paid work experiences and support services to eliminate barriers to education and employment.

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