







HBI Job Corps

More than 3,000 at-risk youth each year get real-life, hands-on building trades training through HBI Job Corps' 151 programs at 74 sites across the U.S.

HBI Job Corps students choose from building trades training in brick masonry; carpentry; electrical wiring; facilities maintenance; heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC); landscaping; painting; plumbing; solar installation; and weatherization.

HBI has been under contract with the U.S. Department of Labor for nearly 40 years and established the first HBI Job Corps program in 1974 at the Woodstock Job Corps Center in Maryland.

The Training Process

HBI Job Corps training combines technical and employability skills with basic academics. Students also practice their new skills and give back to society through service projects, Often working alongside contractors at actual job sites as they refurbish properties and facilities in their local communities.

HBI Job Corps does more than just provide job skills: It builds character and self-esteem, providing students with the interpersonal skills they need to succeed on the job and in life. HBI Job Corps students learn leadership, a sense of responsibility, time management, team work and how to effectively communicate.

The Curriculum and the Industry

HBI Job Corps students' trades training is grounded in the building industry's National Construction Skills Standards and the American National Standards Institute (ANSI)-approved National Green Building Standard™ taught by experienced instructors through HBI's Residential Construction Academy Series textbooks and instructional aides.

National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) members-through their local home builders associations-and other industry partners help mentor HBI Job Corps students, supply them with work-based learning opportunities and serve on local Job Corps Advisory Councils.

Graduates on the Move

Once a student graduates, HBI Job Corps offers job placement and transition assistance, helping individuals find a job, housing and transportation. HBI graduates who qualify also can receive financial support through the HBI/Lowe's Building Careers Scholarship Program. HBI places about 80 percent of HBI Job Corps graduates in construction sector employment or additional training programs including registered apprenticeship.

For more information on HBI training programs, please visit HBI.org.