

Milwaukee to receive \$8 million federal "tech jobs" grant

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The city of Milwaukee is going to receive an \$8 million federal grant slated to enhance workforce funding, Mayor Tom Barrett said during a press conference Monday.

"This is all about getting a workforce that can have jobs where they can support their families," Mayor Barrett said.

The Department of Labor workforce funds will train Milwaukeeans for "Tech Jobs."

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Barrett said these types of jobs are critical to the economic stability of urban communities, and the economic competitiveness of all industries.

"Particularly for professional business and financial services, healthcare, and manufacturing sectors," Barrett added.

The funds are being awarded to Employ Milwaukee and UMOS.

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The above organizations will support IT Training at HACM's TechForce Center, in conjunction with MATC. The program targets those who are 17-29, with a high school degree or equivalent.

HACM's TechForce Center is located on the 1900 block of North 4th Street.

In March, Milwaukee was designated a TechHire Community.

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