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### **Job-Ready Candidates Graduate from Latino Academy's Bilingual Construction Program**

MADISON—The Latino Academy of Workforce Development continues to strengthen its partnership with Stevens Construction Corp. of Madison, Wisconsin. They collaborated to providing a comprehensive construction training program to eight participants this summer. On Aug. 19, these eight students will celebrate their graduation from the Bilingual Construction Training Program. Students will complete a seven week program, including more than 75 hours of job skills training. The program began on Saturday, July 9 and concludes on Friday, Aug. 19.

Throughout the Bilingual Construction Program, the eight students received training integral toward pursuing a career in the construction industry. The students learned valuable workplace skills and certifications, including: OSHA 10, Fall Protection and Training Certificate, Tape Measure Certification and Flagger/Workzone Certification. Students will concluded their training with a weeklong on-the-job training with Steven's Construction Corp. Students will receive hands-on experience including: pouring concrete, constructing a wall, and blueprint reading. They will also tour construction sites in Madison and Milwaukee and learn from experienced construction foremen and supervisors.

The Latino Academy of Workforce Development has successfully graduated three cohorts in collaboration with Steven's Construction Corp. 93% of graduates have been offered full-time employment upon completion of the program.

About [Latino Academy of Workforce Development](#): The 5 year old community based organization, has grown from providing a couple computer classes to operating semesterly to provide over 33 classes and trainings at a time. Latino Academy provides high quality education, training and employment programs to Latinos in order to successfully integrate them into the economic and educational systems in Dane County.

### **Latino Academy's Bilingual Construction Program Graduation**

Date: **Friday Aug. 19th**

Time: **1:00 PM - 3:00 PM**

Location: **4776 Cty Trunk TT, Cottage Grove (Steven's Construction Yard)**