

On Sept. 10, Michigan officially launched the Futures for Frontliners program, providing a tuition-free pathway to higher education or a high school diploma for the essential workers who have helped keep our state moving throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Over the past few months, Michiganders from all walks of life and every corner of our state rose to the challenge to serve our communities when we needed it most. Now it's our turn to show our appreciation by giving them the resources and support they need to forge their own future.

For more information and to apply, visit <u>Michigan.gov/Frontliners</u>. *Applications are due December 31, 2020*.

## **Pursuing Higher Education**

To be eligible, essential workers wishing to enroll in community college or job training through this program must:

- » Be a Michigan resident
- » Have worked in an essential industry at least part-time between April and June 2020
- » Have a high school diploma
- » Have not yet completed a college degree (associate or bachelor's)

## **Pursuing a High School Diploma**

To be eligible, essential workers wishing to finish their high school diploma or equivalent through this program must:

- » Be a Michigan resident
- » Have worked in an essential industry at least part-time between April and June 2020
- » Not already have a high school diploma or equivalent
- » Not be currently enrolled in high school

The Futures for Frontliners program is an important extension of the MI Reconnect Program, a bipartisan initiative spearheaded by Gov. Whitmer and state Reps. **Sarah Anthony** (D-Lansing) and **Sheryl Kennedy** (D-Davison), which was signed into law earlier this year to provide a tuition-free pathway to higher education for Michigan adults.

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