

# **Community Power Works**

**Better Buildings Conference** 

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# What is Community Power Works?

#### **Seattle's Home Energy Upgrade Program**

- Upgrade 2,000 homes Achieve 15% energy savings/home
- Develop affordable financing options
- Reduce the cost of upgrades with new incentives
- Community High-Road Agreement
  - Negotiated with stakeholders
  - Mayor's Advisory Group









### Elements of the High-Road Agreement

### **High-Road Commitments:**

- BPI Certification
- Wage Rates
- Targets for Business Ownership:
  - 80-100% small business
  - 100% local business
  - 30% minority
  - 10% women
  - Increase opportunities for veterans
- Training Requirements
- Hiring Standards from Qualified Training Providers
- Goals for hiring new, entry-level targeted workers







## Piloting a New Approach to Training

#### **Current Training Programs couldn't meet contractor needs:**

- Lack of quality entry-level workers
- Outdated model for training
- No contractor involvement in the training process
- Limited support for graduates







## Piloting a New Approach to Training

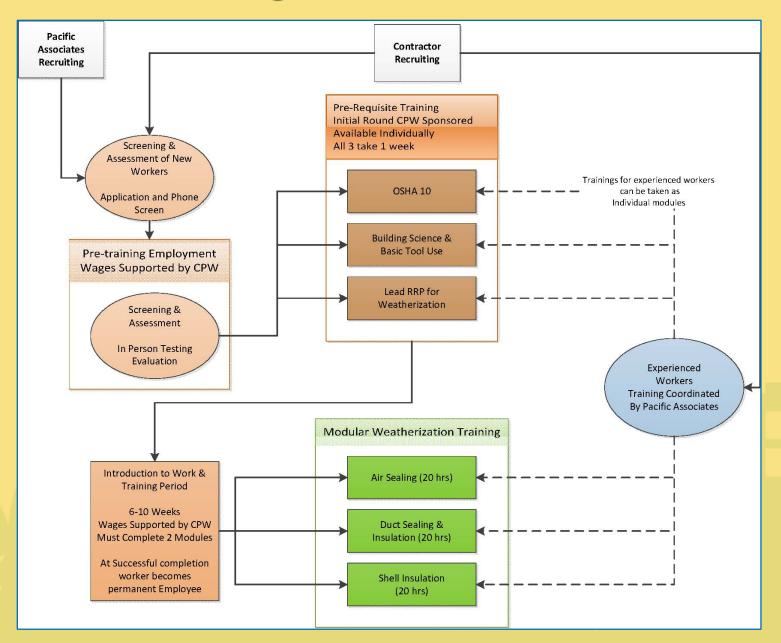
#### **Creating a Community Around Training:**

- Partnership with S. Seattle Community College and NW EcoBuilding Guild
- Option to hire first, train second
- Active participation by contractors
- Available to entry-level workers and more experienced workers
- Free!





### **Training Process & Modules**





### More Information

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