

Training for Jobs in Construction

Graduates from Constructing Hope, a free 9 week pre-apprenticeship job training program supported by the construction trades at 405 N.E. Church St. The participants get a foothold on future jobs in the industry by completing 180 hours of classes and hands-on instruction. For more information about the program and to apply, call 503-281-1234 or visit constructinghope.org.



An artist's rendering shows a future site for career technical education program that is under construction at Clackamas Community College.

Workforce Training Expands

Clackamas Community College is upping its game with business and industry by building a new center for career technical education and expanding programs to provide for a skilled workforce.

Construction has begun on the new Industrial Technical Center, a \$28-million project, which will be completed in 2018.

The 44,242-square-foot building will meet the changing training needs of regional partnership programs. There will be large bays for machinery with classrooms

and offices on the first and second floors, and there is an option to add another building to the east as programs expand and the college grows.

"Students at the ITC will learn from industry-knowledgeable instructors on modern equipment in a state-of-the-art facility," Cynthia Risan, CCC dean of Technology, applied science and public services, said. "Upon completion of their study, our students will be fully trained and ready to work."



Roosevelt High School sophomore Kaleha Keenan is named Boys and Girls Clubs of Portland Youth of the Year.

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Youth Leader of the Year

Congratulations to Kaleha Keenan, a sophomore at Roosevelt High School and member of the Regence Boys & Girls Club in the New Columbia neighborhood of north Portland, for being honored as Boys & Girls Clubs of Portland Youth of the Year.

Keenan hopes to attend Spelman College after high school to become an attorney.

"The club has taught me to never back down from any challenge and to always believe in myself," she said. "I cherish those lessons and look forward to the day I can

share that with my community as a lawyer helping people stand up for their rights and for equality."

Keenan is an only child and the Regence club has served as a second home and family for the past 10 years. She serves as a mentor to youth in the club and was an organizer for a "Hoodies Up Day" at her school - an action project that called for solidarity in speaking out against racism and inequality.

Along with the Youth of the Year title, Kaleha received a \$1,000 scholarship.

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