

## Trusting the System Leads to Results



Angel McCurn was working seasonally and knew he would be looking for work again in three months. In late 2016, he chose to break that cycle by walking in to our Manchester Mall One-Stop Center in search of a job that could become a career with hard work.

With the assistance of his Employment Readiness Specialist at Workforce Connection, Angel enrolled in the Construction/Trades Multi-Craft Pre-Apprenticeship Training Program in January 2017. He has worked hard in training, completing Union courses in sheet metal, plumbing, cementing, painting, and ironwork. He also worked on his résumé writing, interviewing and networking skills so he could become more competitive in his job search.

In late Spring, Angel completed his union training, received OSHA 10, Forklift and CPR certifications, and began the first job in his career as a Union Apprentice with the Cement Masons earning \$22.00/hour with benefits!

Angel talks about the joy of having our Workforce team members care about his success and of just being given a chance to work. He talks about how good it feels to learn new skills and to accept and overcome workplace challenges.