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EAU CLAIRE, Wis. — In case you missed it, Governor Tony Evers toured the United Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters Training Center in Eau Claire on Friday. Gov. Evers has directed over [\\$150 million](#) to find local solutions to fill jobs and create opportunities in every county.

Gov. Evers understands the importance of these training facilities to ensure the growth of Wisconsin's workforce — that's why he continues to invest in them.



Gov. Evers is dedicated to making sure everyone can find a job, receive training, and any other resources they might need — childcare, transportation, education, and more. Under Gov. Evers' leadership, Wisconsin reached a record low unemployment rate and Wisconsin families are seeing a 15% income tax cut.

Read more below about how Gov. Evers is doing the right thing by investing in job training and apprenticeship programs.

WKBT: [Gov. Tony Evers promotes statewide job training, apprenticeships during Eau Claire visit](#)

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Laborers themselves are investing in training, said Evers, who also toured the United Association of Plumbers and Pipefitters Training Center.

"The members themselves pay a \$1.20 an hour out of their paycheck every month that is an investment for training," he said. "If you think about that kind of investment, that tells you that the men and women that work in this trade value what they're learning and that they love their work," Evers said.

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WQOW: [Gov. Evers makes local campaign stop at training center, talks union jobs](#)

The Governor made a campaign stop in Eau Claire on Friday, visiting the United Association Local Union 434 training center.

Governor Tony Evers toured the center, which is located inside the refurbished Little Red elementary school building on Highway 37, and focuses on preparing men and women to work in pipe trades like plumbers or HVAC technicians.

Several trainees told the governor about their family ties to the business, and while Evers was complimentary of the family pipeline, he said the state has to find other ways of attracting trade workers.

"I was raised near Kohler Company and the union members that worked in Kohler company. I'd say every member of my wife's family was a union worker at Kohler Company and it became a family thing and it just kept on over the years," Evers said. "But clearly, with the declining population, we need to make sure it's not just that."

Evers also touched on his desire to make trade jobs more attractive to women in the state of Wisconsin, and the need to provide more opportunities for high schoolers in the state to try their hand at trade skills.