

News from the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry

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New statewide minimum compensation for transportation network company drivers

As of Dec. 1, transportation network company drivers now earn a minimum compensation rate of \$1.28 per minute and 31 cents per mile for time with a passenger in their car.



In May 2024, Gov. Tim Walz signed into law new protections for transportation network company (TNC) drivers that provide a minimum compensation rate, greater pay transparency, increased insurance coverage and a new partnership with local organizations to provide assistance to drivers.

The new law came after a year of task force meetings facilitated by the Department and Labor and Industry and countless hours of input from drivers, stakeholders, TNC representatives, and legislative and local leaders. The expansion of workers' rights to TNC drivers builds on Minnesota's commitment to be the best place in the country for working families.

- Read the complete news release.
- Learn more about protections for TNC drivers.

Dual-Training Pipeline 101 webinar

Learn about the basics of employment-based training and share tips and advice about how to set up a dual-training initiative at your company during our <u>Dual-Training 101</u> webinar at 9 a.m. on Dec. 17.

Youth Skills Training grants open for application Jan. 8

The Youth Skills Training program promotes partnerships between schools, employers and community organizations to give students classroom instruction and paid work experience in high-demand occupations. A new round of Youth Skills Training grants will open for applications beginning Jan. 8, 2025. <u>Learn more about the grants and how to apply</u>.

Learn about registered apprenticeships for teachers

Join us beginning Dec. 10 for a series of webinars about registered apprenticeships for teachers. Along with partner agencies, we'll cover topics ranging from the basics of apprenticeships to potential funding opportunities for school districts. Register for the webinars.

MNOSHA fatality, serious-injury investigation summaries online

Each month, Minnesota OSHA (MNOSHA) Compliance publishes current, updated summaries of its fatality investigations and serious-injury investigations.

For the federal-fiscal-year that began Oct. 1, 2024, MNOSHA has investigated five fatalities through Nov. 25.

The information provided about each investigation is: the inspection number, date of incident and worksite city; the type of business and number of employees; a description of the event; and the outcome of the MNOSHA Compliance investigation.

View the summaries.

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