# Take the first step to an exciting career!

**The electric grid** in the United States is in urgent need of overhaul, from strengthening to upgrading and expanding, major utilities are on the hook for keeping up with a growing electricity market driven by population and business growth. Nowhere is this more true than here in Florida, where weather regularly interrupts the power supply, and electrical line installers/repairers are in high demand. This state boasts the fourth-highest employment level for this occupation in the nation, with median annual earnings of \$54,050. **TECO, Duke Energy, FP&L** and others are

**Participants** 

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in a

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with

**PowerTown** 

relying on electric line and utility contractors to get the work done.

Through a unique partnership with PowerTown Line Construction in Pinellas Park, the Workforce Institute at St. Petersburg College is offering a training program that leads to multiple certifications in the electric line tech business. For the first year of this program, participants will participate in an internship with PowerTown, receive intensive classroom and on-the-job training, eventually resulting in ongoing jobs and additional career paths at PowerTown.



# POWERTOWN

LINE CONSTRUCTION An Entregado Company

> PowerTown is Florida's preeminent electrical grid and cellular/ communication infrastructure contractor. The company has the state's only 24/7 flex team working with major utilities for storm response and minimizing power outages. PowerTown's streetlight maintenance contract with Duke Energy keeps neighborhood and major roadways well-lighted - all the while upgrading many areas to new, LED technology. PowerTown also focuses on strengthening the grid to better take on Florida's stormy weather, as well as handling underground installation/maintenance of power and communication lines.

Through this partnership, SPC Workforce Institute will design and develop the training program that includes multiple industry certifications. The partnership will also offer professional development opportunities beyond the core electrical worker training in areas including:

- Engineering
- Logistics
- Management and supervision
- Project management

From these efforts, the college intends to develop a multiyear apprenticeship program spanning various career levels, from ground techs through the line techs doing the highly-skilled work on high voltage transmission and distribution lines throughout Florida and the Southeast.

### **Interested?**

For more information about the program, visit workforce.spcollege.edu or call 727-341-4445.

## Safety!

**At PowerTown** we only hire highlyskilled workers and provide them with the best training, equipment, resources, tools and supervision to operate safely – causing NO HARM to themselves, their equipment, or the communities where we work.

#### St. Petersburg College



At **SPC's Workforce Institute**, we pride ourselves in offering a trusted suite of services and options that are affordable and accessible to both individuals and organizations.

For goal-oriented individuals and businesses committed to accelerated professional growth, the Workforce Institute offers training, continuing education, industry certifications, licensures and career pathways. Our industry experts teach you the skills that local employers are looking for so you can get it done and get ahead.