

BUILDING MINNESOTA'S ENERGY WORKFORCE, TOGETHER



The Minnesota Energy Consortium brings employers, educators, workforce partners, government agencies, and community organizations together to strengthen Minnesota's energy career pathways.

WHAT IS THE MN ENERGY CONSORTIUM?

The Minnesota Energy Consortium, or M.E.C., is an industry-led partnership focused on building a skilled, responsive, and statewide energy workforce. M.E.C. helps partners coordinate resources, share workforce knowledge, strengthen education and training, and introduce more Minnesotans to careers across the sector.

ONE CONSORTIUM.

MANY PARTNERS.

**A STRONGER
ENERGY
WORKFORCE.**

WHY THE M.E.C. MATTERS

Minnesota's energy workforce is changing. Employers and communities are navigating:

- An aging workforce and growing retirements
- Competition for skilled workers
- Electrification and increasing energy demand
- Rural and regional labor shortages
- Rising education and training costs
- Rapidly changing technologies and skill requirements

No single organization can address these challenges alone. MEC creates the space and structure to work on them together.

HOW WE WORK

STRENGTHEN THE ENERGY WORKFORCE ECOSYSTEM

Connect employers, educators, workforce partners, and decision-makers through communities of practice, regional conversations, statewide events, and shared initiatives.

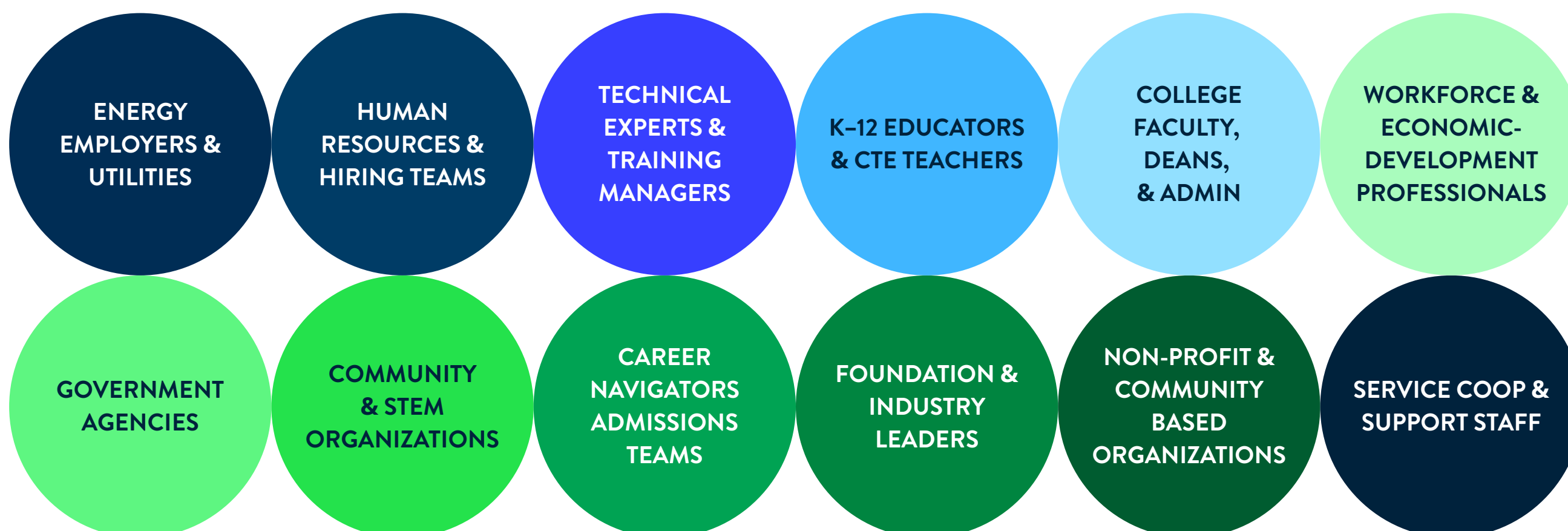
BUILD TOMORROW'S ENERGY WORKFORCE

Introduce students to energy careers, equip educators with industry-connected resources, and expand access to hands-on learning across Minnesota.

ALIGN EDUCATION WITH WORKFORCE DEMAND

Use labor-market information, employer expertise, and regional workforce needs to strengthen programs, curriculum, training, and career pathways.

WHO BELONGS IN THE M.E.C.?



WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

MEC participation can match your organization's capacity and interests.

ENGAGE

Attend events, provide input, complete surveys, and contribute workforce information.

SHARE

Highlight your organization's programs, opportunities, resources, and successful practices.

COLLABORATE

Join regional conversations, communities of practice, committees, or shared projects.

LEAD

Help convene partners, guide statewide priorities, or support regional workforce initiatives.

CHAMPION

Invite colleagues and partners to participate and help communicate the value of energy careers.

WHAT MEMEBERS GAIN

INFLUENCE

Help shape statewide and regional workforce priorities.

ACCESS

Build direct relationships with employers, educators, workforce organizations, and government partners.

LEVERAGE

Share resources, coordinate projects, and identify funding opportunities.

VISIBILITY

Promote your organization, programs, workforce needs, and career opportunities.

PIPELINE DEVELOPMENT

Reach students, educators, job seekers, and prospective workers earlier.

PRACTICAL SUPPORT

Access workforce information, education resources, career-awareness materials, professional development, and project coordination.

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

Participate in MEC events, conversations, surveys, and collaborative opportunities.

REGIONAL LEADERS

Help convene partners and advance energy workforce and career-pathway solutions within their region.

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

Provide statewide leadership and connect MEC priorities with organizational and industry decision-making.

MINNESOTA STATE ENERGY CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

Coordinates MEC communications, meetings, initiatives, resources, grant development, and partner engagement.

JOIN THE M.E.C.

Connect with partners.
Share your expertise.
Strengthen career pathways.

Help build the workforce that will power Minnesota's future.

MEMBERSHIP IS FREE

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OUR IMPACT SINCE 2008

- 5,000+ STUDENTS
- 348 INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS
- 175 K-16 EDUCATORS
- 51 BUSINESS & ORG. PARTNERS
- 53 COLLEGES & SCHOOL-DISTRICTS