Michigan’s Forgotten Middle

Middle-skill jobs, which require education beyond high school but not a four-year degree, make up the largest part of America’s and Michigan’s labor market. Key industries in Michigan are unable to find enough sufficiently trained workers to fill these jobs.

Demand for Middle-Skill Jobs is Strong

Fifty-four percent of all jobs in 2012 were middle-skill.

Demand for Middle-Skill Jobs Will Remain Strong

Between 2010-2020, 49 percent of job openings will be middle-skill.

A Middle-Skill Gap

Middle-skill jobs account for 54 percent of Michigan’s labor market, but only 49 percent of the state’s workers are trained to the middle-skill level.