

NYCHA Resident Training Academy 2010-2011 Construction Training & Placement Track

RTA OVERVIEW

The NYCHA Resident Training Academy (RTA) provides employment-focused training and job placement assistance to NYCHA residents in the construction and janitorial fields. The RTA works with successful trainees to assist them to get and to succeed in jobs at NYCHA as Caretakers and with NYCHA contractors in construction-related positions. The RTA is designed to not only to prepare trainees for entry-level employment but to assist them in developing career plans that will lead to promotion and increased wages. The RTA is a collaboration among the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA), Robin Hood, Brooklyn Workforce Innovations (BWI), Nontraditional Employment for Women (NEW) and Building Works.

CONSTRUCTION TRAINING

The RTA Construction Training & Placement Track includes:

- » 8-week training includes education and certifications required to enter the skilled trades
- » Graduates receive job placement assistance for short-term and long-term jobs with NYCHA Contractors in a variety of trades
- » RTA will provide job placement assistance for construction workers to get new jobs upon satisfactory performance and completion of initial assignments

MINIMUM PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE

- » A NYCHA resident on the lease
- » 18 years of age or older
- » High School Diploma or GED
- » 8th grade reading and math
- » Able to pass a drug test
- » Lift 50 lbs. or more
- » Perform 8 hours of physical work each day

RTA APPLICATION & SELECTION PROCESS

Participation in the RTA is a competitive process based on qualifications and proven interest. The following is the process for application & selection:

- » Attend a NYCHA orientation to learn more and to complete initial application
- » Meet with a NYCHA RTA Career Specialist for an initial assessment and to complete a supplemental application
- » Complete a Locator Test to determine current math and reading levels
- » Attend 2 days of Test Preparation (Math Remediation & TABE Preparation) to brush up on math skills if necessary
- » Attend a Resident Training Academy Information Session
 - » Learn more about the RTA
 - » Take an entrance assessment
- » Interview
- » Registration
- » Training

To learn more about the RTA, please call NYCHA Resident Employment Services at **718.289.8100** to schedule an appointment to attend a RES orientation.