A total of 12 LYFT Pathways applications were approved during the first six months of the initiative totaling $370,000 in funding. These shared CTE programs will impact hundreds of students in new courses in Auto Technology, Pharmacy Technician, Nursing Assistant, CEO, and Aquaculture to name a few. A complete list of funded projects can be found at www.LYFTpathways.org.

A new consortium has been formed based on the LYFT Pathways shared CTE philosophy. The Minnesota River Valley CTE Collaborative was officially formed in July 2018 and has hired Bruce Bergeson their first program director. Bruce has a great passion for CTE and recently retired as a principal at Montevideo Schools. Minnesota River Valley CTE Collaborative serves students from five schools (Yellow Medicine East, Lakeview, Montevideo, MACCRAY, and Renville County West). This partnership between schools, businesses and Minnesota West has added seven new CTE courses for students that provide hands-on learning and the opportunity for college credit.

To learn more about the impact of LYFT Career Pathways watch the new video that was produced by Pioneer Public Television.

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