

Success Spotlight: Kevin Thomas

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Program: WorkOne services

Location: Johnson County

Wage prior to services: \$19 an hour

Wage after services: \$36 an hour

STORY

After a couple month of being a delivery driver, Kevin Thomas was ready to further his training and advance his career, that's why he contacted the Franklin WorkOne office.

Kevin visited the WorkOne in the summer of 2023 and found he was eligible for a Workforce Ready Grant through Next Level Jobs.



He was connected to a career advisor and completed a career assessment, and learned he could earn his commercial driver's license and have training expenses paid for through grant funding. Kevin enrolled in the Truck Driver's Institute in Whiteland and enrolled in classes in August.

One month later, Kevin successfully completed the program and received his CDL A license.

After a short job search coaching session with the WorkOne advisor, Kevin updated his resume, prepared for a career move and landed a new full-time job with Werner Enterprises. He's earning \$36 an hour with an anticipated annual salary of \$75,000.