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**Revisions to the City of Milwaukee's
Residents Preference Program (RPP)
for all DPW Contracts**

- **Changes go in to effect on June 24, 2026.** All DPW bids advertised after June 25, 2026 require compliance with the updated RPP Ordinance (City of Milwaukee Ordinance 309)
- Once approved, RPP participants are eligible to remain in the program as long as they reside in the City of Milwaukee
- 25% of all RPP hours must be attributable to residents living in Special Impact Area (high and extreme) zip codes from 01/01/2026 – 12/31/2031
 - **High poverty zip codes**
 - 53204, 53208, 53209, 53210, 53212, 53215, 53216, 53218, 53224
 - All RPP hours in excess of this requirement will be counted as 1.5 hours
 - **Extreme poverty zip codes**
 - 53205, 53206, 53233
 - All RPP hours in excess of this requirement will be counted as 2 hours
- The penalty for providing fraudulent RPP data is no less than \$2,000.
- Apprenticeship requirements are based on contract award amount
 - **Contracts awarded at \$100,000 - \$499,999**
 - Apprentices must be employed in accordance with the maximum ratio of apprentices to journeymen as established by the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development
 - **Contracts awarded at \$500,000 & more**
 - 25% of all apprentice labor hours must be RPP certified apprentices
 - All RPP apprentice hours in excess of this requirement will earn 1.5 credit hours toward the RPP requirements of the project
 - 40% of the total RPP apprentice labor hours must be attributed to apprentices living in Special Impact Area zip codes:
 - 53204, 53205, 53206, 53208, 53209, 53210, 53212, 53215, 53216, 53218, 53224, 53233