

LIFT DANE

LIFT Dane – Legal Interventions for Transforming Dane, is a partnership between Legal Action of Wisconsin, UW Law School, and Employment and Training Association (EATA) of Dane County to create an online platform that provides workers with easy online access to public data and services to eliminate legal barriers to employment.

Tens of thousands of Dane County households are weighed down by fixable minor legal problems— such as suspended driver's licenses, consumer debt, child support, and criminal records— that have major impacts on their ability to advance in the workforce, secure housing, and stabilize their families. LIFT Dane will make public data about these problems accessible to everyday residents, conduct holistic legal assessments to identify barriers, and connect people to free legal aid to fix them. By removing barriers to gainful employment, LIFT Dane's low-cost, high-impact, tech-driven mission will boost local incomes, transform the middle class, and become a national model.

With LIFT Dane's digital and person-to-person tools and services, workers can:



**Eliminate Debt
Quickly**



**Restore Driver's
Licenses**



**Align Child Support
with Means**



**Remove Criminal
Records**

Workers simply create an account to start their legal assessment. LIFT Dane will customize their pathway to ensure the most efficient and effective means to getting participants back on track and into the black. LIFT Dane will use the power of word of mouth, partner organizations, clinics, online and print media, and artificial intelligence to connect with those who can benefit from our services most. This unprecedented boost from technology will increase efficiency and efficacy in both outreach and legal resolution processes across several, often interconnected, legal issues simultaneously.

LIFT Dane is in the development and fundraising phases and has a unique opportunity to receive matching funds for investments made in 2019. If you are interested in contributing to this innovative program please contact Marsha.Mansfield@wisc.edu; (608) 262-5827

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