

## ALAN — Mi Learning & Education Advancement Program (MiLEAP)

Alan has owned his own janitorial service since 2005. He was working all the time and was a one-man show. As an essential worker, he hardly had time for his family or himself as he worked most nights cleaning banks.

Alan was ready for a change, he wanted to be able to enjoy family time and not have to give up his income. He wanted to be able to go to work at a certain time and be done at a certain time, without the hassle of managing the business as well.

He was looking for a change and found a company that fit his needs

and wants, but he needed his CDL B, that is where Michigan Works! West Central came in.

Alan didn't qualify for WIOA programming, so he was referred to our MiLEAP Navigator to see if he was eligible for training funding; he was.

Alan graduated within a week of his start date for his CDL B. He received his certificate on Nov. 18, and was hired at Valley City Metal Products the same week.

Alan was able to shut down his own business and go to work for Valley City Metal Products full time as a driver,

delivering to companies all over West Michigan.

With the help of Michigan Works! West Central, he was able to change careers, as well as have more home time and family time.

"All is well here. I just got home from driving all day. Punched in at 5:30 a.m. and punched out at 4:15 p.m. I'm in and out of companies all over West Michigan and no two days are ever the same (that's good)," Alan said. "My wife says I need a new hobby because I've never had this much free time."