

# Citizens Bank donates \$40,000 to boost jobs in Rochester's optics industry

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Citizens Bank, through its Citizens Bank Foundation, is putting \$40,000 toward an optics industry workforce development program.

Half of the money will go to create the Citizens Bank Future Optics Scholarship at Monroe Community College, while the rest will be used on a public awareness campaign regarding local job opportunities in the optics industry.

Greater Rochester Enterprise and the Rochester Business Alliance will head the jobs awareness campaign.

The MCC scholarship will be for students in its optics or electrical engineering technology programs.

Citizens, based in Rhode Island, has more than 1,500 branches in 12 states. In the Rochester area, it ranks third among all banks in deposit market share.

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