**Ange’s Story – an automotive supply chain worker talks**

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Ange from Chassis Brakes International talks about his experience with the Auto Supply Chain Training Initiative so far.

**Ange:**

My name is Ange. I’m working here over 21 years. My role in the company at the moment is working the production. We make brakes, we make the knuckles and the carriers of the chassis.

Our company looked into diversifying. Unfortunately they didn’t succeed in that. They decided that this company would close as well. I felt really scared, disappointed, uncertain about the future. I thought that the skills that they have here probably don’t apply in other companies, because manufacturing is shrinking.

When I first told my wife about this program that the Government is offering, she was really positive about it, and she thought that that would be an excellent opportunity for me. They helped me a lot with preparing resumes, and what extra training I need to do. In one of the meetings with my career advisor, he made me realise that there are a lot of jobs out there, so when I finish I shouldn’t jump on the first job available, but concentrate to find a job that, really, I can apply all the skills I have, and that probably that would be a better career path for me.

Now I feel a lot more confident for the future. I don’t worry, as much as the beginning, of what I’m going to do when I finish here. I can concentrate on my current job, and at the same time, I’m working through to what my next career path will be.

It lasted one and a half hours, of a session. If your company doesn’t have the space, they can provide those one-to-one sessions in their offices. The have rooms there that you can have private conversations with a career advisor. Even if you think you have your job for another couple of years, it’s never too early to participate in this program, because it will help you identify what skills you have that are transferrable.

My advice to you is that if you get the opportunity to participate in this program, don’t miss it, because you’re going to get all the help that you need for the future. It will give you all the necessary confidence and optimism for the future.

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