

Career Center Partners Council

Friday, March 12, 2021

12:00 PM

Zoom Meeting

Meeting called by: Jeanie Booth, Center Manager,
CareerSource, Wakulla

Note taker: Kathleen Mackie

Facilitator: Jeanie Booth

Attendees: 28 attendees

Minutes

Agenda item: Welcome and Introductions

Presenter: Jeanie Booth and Teresa Slade

Introductions:

- a. New Attendee Spotlight: Shollandra Rucker, Orlando Regional Director of One-Stop Solutions
- b. New Leon Center Manager for Career Source Capital Region: Teresa Slade

Agenda item: Workforce Alliance Virtual Summit

Presenter:

Discussion:

Healthcare 2021 Summit, Thurs. April 1, 9:00 am – 11:30 am. A flyer will be sent out on the 2020-2021 Council initiative update.

Agenda item: 1000 Youth Initiative

Presenter: Jim McShane

Discussion:

Getting youth employed and trained. It is a five year program in conjunction with the sheriff's department. The program will also expand the CareerSource Dynamic Futures Program by enrolling youth.

Agenda item: Crosswalk vs Jot Form Discussion

Discussion:

Bottom line on discussion Crosswalk vs. Jot Form: Mr. McShane said that the Sheriff's Department had similar free program that is easy to use. Mr. McShane is going to reach out to the Sheriff's Department for a presentation.

Agenda item: Career Center Updates

Presenter: Hadassah Israel

Discussion:

Events and Opportunities: Manufacturing/Construction/Trades 3/24/2021, Connections CR (Networking Event) 3/30/2021, IT/Professional Services Sector Round, 4/7/2021, Leaders Evolve and Develop LEAD(Leadership Development Training), 4/22/2021-4/23/2021, Dynamic Futures Career Expo, 5/13/2021

Agenda item: Partner Presentation (Big Bend Homeless Coalition) **Presenter:** Sylvia Smith

Discussion:

Scope of Services – Accessing up-to-date services, Using 211 – door to housing crisis. They deal with all major housing services. Specialize in alleviating the housing crisis. Programs include REFIRE Culinary, Homeless programs, homeless prevention, homeless veterans with disabilities, the HOPE Community, homeless families with minor children. 211 intake lines and key contacts are provided. Other important numbers for contacting key personnel at Big Bend Homeless Coalition: Sylvia Smith, Director -850322-2258; Carol Weber – 850-729-9423; Alicia Gibson. Discussion of 7 objectives by speaker with included system performance measures such as performance measure before and after housing crisis was resolved. Besides unemployed clients, they also have underemployed clients they help. One goal is to help women out of the food service industry and get them in higher paying positions. CareerSource can help with these goals.

Agenda item: Around the Horn

Discussion:

Freddy Branham – ECHO has access to some housing and prevention money right now, not related to the pandemic. They also have available the program, “Getting Ahead in the Workplace” which is a skillsets program. This program also helps them learn how to move up the ladder at work.

Michael Torres – His organization partnered with the Bond Clinic to do vaccinations onsite (Leon Cares Act 3/29).

Elizabeth Daniels – TCC Workforce Development – ESOL (English to Speakers of Other Languages), they are wrapping up their Spring Semester. Their virtual GED is doing well. Classroom will be back to normal.

Yolanda Candeleria – AHEC – Virtual classes for tobacco cessation and diabetes training through May 15.

Lively Tech has a new CAN program - \$167 full tuition.

Monique Gustafson – Vocational Rehab – help with disability barriers to employment.

Alex Follo – 211- Free door to door transportation for vaccine. They help with financial counseling as needed.

Pamela Greene – Counseling Services – Down payment money available.

Ted Gilson – AARP – Re-opening program for Senior Assistance in offices.

Oliver Sapp – FAMU TRIO – Adult Learners Program available in seven counties. Help with college admission application available.

Rachel Oliver – Stahl Meyer – Madison – is looking for people who want to work in a processing plant – no background check/no drug screening. Transportation can be provided. There is a recruiting event with SEDEXO and Tallahassee Memorial on March 23. Background check required. Wakulla Correctional Institute is looking for eight officers.

Agenda item: Partner Council Nominations for Chair **Presenter:** Freddie Branham

Discussion:

The Chairmanship is not formal for Partner Council nominations. To nominate a member send to Jeanie Booth by Friday 3/26. A list of nominees will be sent out by April 30.

Agenda item: Next Meeting Date

Discussion:

June 11, 12:00 PM

Ending Comments - Adjourned