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WIOA Advisory Group Meeting Minutes
December 3, 2021

Attendees: Sarah Nash, Dan Cabrera, Matt Markve, Tim Leigh, Sarah Buenrostro, Deb Matiska, Dave Hanchett, Teresa Pitt, Amelia Valasek

Staff: Wendi Secrist, Paige Nielebeck, Amanda Ames, Jeffrey Bacon, Matthew Thomsen

Welcome

WIOA State Plan 2022 Update

Discussion:

Section II. Strategic Elements

- (a)(1) – Economic & Workforce Analysis
 - Discussed the Economic & Workforce Analysis section and made changes.
 - See <https://wdc.idaho.gov/2022-wioa-state-plan-update/> for the changes made to this section.
 - It is important to note that there is a distinction between in-demand and hot jobs in the terminology.
 - This information needs to be communicated down to the counselor level. They need a more condensed version of this report. It would be nice to create a training targeted for the counselors using this information and give them instructions on how to use Labor's new tool. This is critical information that every counselor needs to hear.
 - ◆ We should work with Mr. Shaul to synthesize the information and connect it to the tools and do a statewide, systemwide training.
 - ◆ This would be a good topic for the statewide partner meeting. The Next meeting is February 22, 2022.
 - Is the youth unemployment broken down by region?
 - ◆ Because it is the state plan it does not break it down by region, but we should have access to that data. Ms. Secrist will inquire about the data.

- It would be interesting to capture what the percentage of our population unemployed have felonies. We are unsure how to capture this information, but it would be valuable to know.
 - ◆ It would also be interesting to see if employers are shying away from hiring someone based on the type of felony.
 - ◆ This is something we need to work with employers on.
- Do people moving into the state bring income with them or do only Idahoans bring that?
 - ◆ Ms. Secrist will find out this information.
- There are WIOA programs that might benefit the Tribes in Idaho. Ms. Cabrera and Ms. Secrist will discuss these options more in depth.
- It would be beneficial to dive deeper into those who are in poverty. We address it in the education section but nothing having to do with employment.
 - ◆ Ms. Buenrostro will find out if they have any data sets that might assist with this information.

Section III. Operational Planning

- (b)(3)(A) – Org Chart
 - Discussed and made changes to the Org Chart.
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