

Kaua'i Workforce Investment Board

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PY14 4th Quarter, April to June 2015 & PY15 1st Quarter, July to September 2015

Summary of Activities: April to September 2015

Board WIOA Transition Activities

1. With President Obama passing the Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act into law in July 2014, here at the local level we have been inundated with tireless research on the WIOA Law and its new policies and procedures. Telephone conferences and meetings have continued to take place between the DLIR and county representatives across the State to ensure everyone comprehends and understands the WIOA Mandate.
2. County representatives have met through telephone conferences and other meetings to discuss and plan the new WIOA RFP's/and RFQ's. There are still concerns about the conflict of interest involved in procedures with the State.
3. Under the new RFQ that went out for Youth Services Provider, the PAXEN Huli Ke Alo LLC, whom is now a non-profit organization with Eckerd, became the new service provider under WIOA for youth services. An RFP for Adult & Dislocated Worker Programs is still in the process of review.
4. KWIB/KWDB is still working on revising the board's By-laws and Constitution, Consortium of service providers MOU-Memorandum of Agreement and research into other types of committees needed including the possibility of forming a non-profit organization to assist with seeking additional funding.
5. KWIB/KWDB is still waiting on the completion of the State Plan and WIOA policies in order to proceed with writing the Local Area Plan.

New Board Officers and Board Streamlining

1. New Officers were elected on July 9th, 2015. The new Chairperson is Leialoha Sanchez of YWCA; the Vice-chair is Bobby Ayonon, Kauai ACR Inc.; and Secretary is Bricen Moritsugu of the HUD office. These new volunteers started PY15 with their first meeting on WIOA transition activities and Kauai improvement plans.
2. As part of the WIOA transitioning process the Board membership was reviewed to streamline needed representatives and stakeholders and make them aware of the various changes.

Tom Perez, US DOL, Secretary of Labor - Meet

1. A round table discussion took place at Oahu Worklinks to discussion WIOA transitions and the role of Stakeholders with Tom Perez. He commented on issues with homelessness and the importance of leveraging funding in collaboration with WIOA main stakeholders.
2. Perez Staff members selected 12 organizations to represent the State and Counties, privates businesses, and important collaborating customers.

Stakeholders Meet in July – DLIR, DVR, DOE, DHS

1. Over 200 WIOA stakeholders, private businesses, State and Local government representatives met at the Ala Moana Hotel for a 2-day meeting to discuss the main stakeholders' roles; policies and procedural changes; and WIOA transition plans that will be included in the State Plan.
2. Since July, other stakeholder meetings have taken place however not enough time was given for outer island to plan and prepare for travel. Thus, no representatives were there from Kauai.

2nd Annual Small Business Fair a Success!

1. The KWDB board representatives, Office of Economic Development staff and collaborating community representatives of the Kauai Chamber of Commerce groups planned and organized the 2nd Annual Small Business Fair that was held on Sept. 10th, 2015 at the Kauai War Memorial Convention Hall in Lihue. Two special guest speakers came to present Healthcare with Jen Chahanovich, from Hawaii Pacific Health at Wilcox Hospital and Agriculture/Tourism representative: Lani Wiegert of Ali'i Lavender Farms, Maui.

Kauai Community College – Job Fair a Success!

1. The Community College's Job fair in the Spring of 2015 was a big success with both College students and community job seekers abound! The collaboration with the County of Kauai, KWIB board, KCC-OCET staff and Job Fair Community Members along with DLIR-WDD WorkWise Kauai's staff helped 400+ participants with access to employment in the community.

Kauai Monitoring Reports & Improvement Plan

1. Kauai County and the Kauai Workforce Board recently received notification and review of their monitoring reports from previous WIA program years extending back to 2009 and to present. Assistance with monitoring reports was given by DLIR representative. A 2005 - ETA Monitoring Report Guide Book was distributed to the local area. As a result, improvement plans and preliminary systems are in place. An official monitoring program is in the planning stages with KWDB board member representatives and contracted service providers.

KWDB Board Requests for State Council:



1. Latest information and update on what is happening with the P.I.G.?
2. Where are we on the State Plan and confirmation of WIOA policies? Final Rules?
3. Transition Funding usages and limitations?
4. Streamlining costs and spending for local areas?
5. Current Technology/data: HNH does it help or is it a hindrance?





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Filter Criteria

Report Period: 2014

Region/LWIA: Kauai

	Measure	Customer Group / Region / Office	Negotiated Performance Level	Actual Performance Level
	Entered Employment Rates	⊕ Adults	65%	64.4%
		⊕ Dislocated Workers	87%	80.5%
	Retention Rates	⊕ Adults	85%	90.1%
		⊕ Dislocated Workers	92%	88.6%
		⊕ Older Youth (19 - 21)		79.4%
		⊕ Younger Youth (14 - 18)		64.4%

	Average Earnings	⊕ Adults	\$12,200	\$14,625.2
		⊕ Dislocated Workers	\$14,759	\$16,184.2
		⊕ Older Youth (19 - 21)		\$5,390.9
	Credential / Diploma Rates	⊕ Adults		38.2%
		⊕ Dislocated Workers		64.5%
		⊕ Older Youth (19 - 21)	100%	100%
		⊕ Younger Youth (14 - 18)		76.9%
	Skill Attainment Rate	⊕ Younger Youth (14 - 18)		93.8%
	Placement in Employment or Education	⊕ Youth (14 - 21)	63%	64%

	Attainment of Degree or Certificate	⊕ Youth (14 - 21)	65%	<u>100%</u>
	Literacy & Numeracy Gains	⊕ Youth (14 - 21)	44%	<u>44.4%</u>