

OAHU WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

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SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES OCTOBER – NOVEMBER 2016

Board WIOA Transition Activities

The Board's Administration has moved to a new office within the Standard Financial Building located at 715 S. King Street. All phone numbers and emails remain the same. The mailing address will be updated when a new suite number is assigned.

Local Plan

The Board in collaboration with consultant, Jeff Fantine, continues work on the February 1, 2017 – June 30, 2020 Local Plan. As part of the process to develop the plan, a day-long stakeholder workshop was held in October at the Neal Blaisdell Center. Over 35 core partners, board members and community members attended and gave input on the Local Plan.

Eligible Training Provider Program

The Board continues to work closely with its one-stop operator and the Workforce Development Council to re-approve all of the providers on Oahu's ETP list. The Board is accepting applications on a rolling basis, prioritizing existing providers who have clients enrolling in their classes and new ETP providers applying for the first time. Five (5) new providers requested information on applying for the ETP program, four (4) renewal applications are currently being reviewed, and one (1) new provider, Medcerts LLC, was approved.

One Stop Operator's Report for October 1, 2015 to November 30, 2016

Center Visits

- Dillingham – 123 new customers and 428 returning customers
- Waianae – 27 new customers and 123 returning customers

Program Enrollment (PY16 Cumulative)

- Adult 160
- Dislocated Worker 143
- Youth 243

Activity Highlights

- The WIOA Youth program started using Section 3(36)(iv) of the WIOA definition to determine eligibility for low-income In-School Youth. With the cooperation of the Department of Education, we will be able to access and verify

the information whether a student is eligible to receive WIOA In-School Youth services based on his/her eligibility for free or reduced price school lunch.

- Because partnerships with Registered Apprenticeships are strongly encouraged and proven tools for job placements and retention, the team met with Plumber and Pipefitter's, Electrical (IBEW) and Hawaii Carpenters Union and strengthen our collaboration on co-enrolling some of their apprentices into WIOA training. To date, there are 26 apprentices enrolled with the program.
- Data Global Services, Advantage Sales and Marketing and Polynesian Adventures had a mini Job Fair at Dillingham Center. One hundred forty-five individuals attended, 72 were interviewed and 47 were offered jobs.
- Staff was part of a Rapid Response team who did an informational briefing about training services to 15 Star Advertiser staff who got laid off in November 2016.
- Business engagement with employers continuously increased and generated a partnership with Four Seasons Ko Olina. 43 of the laid off former Ihilani participants went to customized hospitality industry training with LearningBiz and some received their national American Hotel & Lodging Educational Institute certifications. 21 of the 43 participants have been hired by Four Seasons Ko Olina, and 12 were placed and successfully completed the On-the-job training program.

Next OWDB Board meeting

The next full board meeting is tentatively scheduled for January 5, 2017 from 9:00am to 11:00am in the Board Room of the Queen's Conference Center.