

Sector Strategies and Career Pathways Committee Report for WDC Board

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Update on the US Department of Education Grant Hana Career Pathways.

Hana Career Pathways Update on the \$13.3M three-year grant. Hawaii's grant is the Hana Career Pathways that will train displaced workers for employment opportunities and credentials in healthcare, skilled trades and technology sectors. The grant will develop clear pathways that start with in-demand, entry-level occupations advance in skills, careers, wage, credential, education and training. They will establish more registered apprenticeships (earn while you learn). Target goals in the first year for short-term training is 300 students in healthcare, 300 in skilled trades, and 105 in technology field. The target group is unemployed or under employed (less than \$20 an hour or less than 20 hours a week). Must be 18 or older, the grant does not support high school students. Apprenticeship goals in the first year is 176 apprentices include 75 in healthcare, 75 in skilled trades, and 26 in technology. Employed goal is 449. Island coordinators will be staffed in each local area to provide counselling and support services. Programs will begin in the summer.

Website: uhcc.hawaii.edu/reimagine/

Update on Sector Partnerships

Sector Partnerships are Industry driven employer partnerships. Sector partnership expanded to four sectors Engineering, Healthcare, Agriculture and Technology.

Engineering Partnership Update: Engineering Sector Partnership is focused with the pilot school complexes comprised of Waipahu High School, Campbell High School and Castle High School. There are over 75 industry partnerships. 32 of them are direct partnering with the three schools. 18 new partnerships have been developed over the last two months. Four priorities have been shared between the three schools Increasing understanding of Engineering Disciplines, Increasing Female Engineering students, ensuring students are Math ready, and Recruiting Advisory Board members. The Engineer Sector Partnership is expanding to Kauai. The convening team is working with the Kauai Economic Board and Kauai Tech Group to extend K-Career Engineering Pathway Project to Kauai.

Healthcare Partnership Update: The Healthcare Partnership is focusing on Workforce Development. The main partners are the Healthcare Association of Hawaii (HAH) and Hawaii 2.0. The team has engaged with key partnership leaders to clarify workforce efforts and how the partnership can support and leverage that work. The workforce initiative focuses on three main area Entry to Employment, Clinical Education and Glidepaths.

Technology Sector Update: The Technology Partnership is researching possible partners.

Update State Career and Technical Education (CTE)

Castle Foundation and the Perkins Grant will be supporting the hiring of an outside agency to assist with compiling data. This will help with moving from basic compliance to excellence. This is a six -nine month project to map out the data that is in existence. A data working group of local organizations will partner with the agency.

CTE will receive \$250,000 this year in Perkins funds.