State Department of Labor and Industrial Relations Workforce Development Division

1. State Department of Labor and Industrial Relations now Open to Public

- a. Masks, vaccine cards, and proof of negative covid tests --no longer required effective March 28, 2022.
- b. Unemployment Insurance Offices -- open for appointments only on Mondays and Tuesdays; open to walk-ins Wednesdays through Fridays.

2. <u>Hire Vets Medallion Program https://www.hirevets.gov/</u>

- a. Actively promoted Program to businesses and American Job Centers
- b. Very much appreciated partners, including Work for Warriors, SHRM, Kapolei Chamber of Commerce, and Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, who are spreading the word!
- c. Promotions Increase awareness of veterans as a business asset; medallion identifies business as veteran-friendly organization, can help attract more veterans
- d. See attached flyer and criteria table.

e. Application deadline for businesses—April 30, 2022

3. <u>HUB (Helpful, Useful, Basic tools) Online Workshops for Jobseekers and Service Provider Staff</u> Now you can view schedule and register on our website! See link below. <u>https://labor.hawaii.gov/wdd/job-fairs-and-training-opportunities/</u>

4. IT Internships

- a. 42 IT-related college students and recent grads placed in state executive branch departments.
- b. Paid internship is 89-day appointment @ \$21.00/hr.
- c. Over 12 state dept worksites hosting interns including DLIR, DAGS, DLNR, DOH, DHS, DPS, DOE etc.
- d. Several depts have indicated that they intend to hire interns.

5. Aloha Apprenticeship Accelerator Grant Proposal

- a. Submitted yesterday, April 25
- b. 4-year grant
- c. \$4 mil ask to modernize our RAP system, build employer partnerships, expand both traditional and non-traditional apprenticeships across state, establish RAP hubs
- d. Target industries include skilled trades, IT, healthcare, early-childhood education

6. Outreach campaign for AJCHs

- a. Vendor selected to provide outreach and recruitment services
- b. Goal to drive more traffic to AJCHs statewide as well as Hirenet Hawaii

7. Summer Youth Program

- a. Targeting 60 Title I students
- b. Placements at various state agencies and DOE schools
- c. Built in workshops on financial literacy and employability (soft) skills