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**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL'S
MILITARY AND VETERAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

Thursday, July 11, 2024

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Remote Meeting:

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Meeting ID: 891 3905 7987

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Written and Oral Testimony:

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AGENDA

- I. Call to Order..... *Vice Chair Cheryl Cross*
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - a. April 30, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- III. A Presentation on Current Recruitment Efforts for Hawaii Air National Guard
..... *Technical Sgt. Warren Reyes, Production Recruiter, Hawaii Air National Guard*
 - a. Overview of Hawaii Air National Guard
 - b. Local recruitment efforts
 - c. Challenges in recruitment efforts
 - d. Current employment support offered to those serving and spouses.
 - e. Opportunities for other support
- IV. Presentation: “Empowering Hawaii: Leveraging the Strengths of the Hawaii National Guard for Community and Workforce Development” *Debbie Uemura, Program Manager, Work for Warriors Hawaii Employment Program*
 - a) Introduction to the Hawaii National Guard (HING): Overview of HING’s role and importance in Hawaii. • Distinctions between the National Guard, Active Duty, and Reserves.
 - b) Strengths of HING: • Highlighting military experience and skills-based training. • The unique value HING members bring to the workforce.
 - c) Challenges Facing HING in Employment: • Employment barriers for HING members in Hawaii. • Addressing the gap between military skills and civilian employment needs.
 - d) Strategies for Integrating HING and Reservists into the Local Employment Community: • Creating pathways for employment through partnerships and programs. • Enhancing recognition of military skills in the civilian job market.
- V. Executive Director’s Report*Bennette Misalucha, Executive Director, Workforce Development Council*
 - a. Update on the Status of the State Workforce Development Unified Plan: The State Workforce Unified Plan was submitted on March 4, 2024 as prescribed by US

Department of Labor. We are expecting to brief the Director and the Governor on the elements of the plan.

b. Update on the transition of Workforce Development Council as an attached agency to Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

c. Upcoming Events in 2024

1. Continuing training: Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act(WIOA) academy
2. US Economic Trends webinar
3. Future of Work 2024
4. Workforce Development Heroes
5. September is Workforce Development Month
6. Long Term Care -Workforce Taskforce

VI. Announcements and Constituent Comments (if any)

At this time, the public is welcome to announce upcoming events and comment on relevant issues that were not included in this meeting's agenda. Please be advised that in compliance with the Sunshine Law, the Committee cannot discuss or act on issues that were not included in this meeting's agenda, but issues raised in constituent comments may be included in a future agenda for the Committee's consideration.

VII. Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for October 10, 2024, at 1:00 pm

VIII. Adjournment