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## WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL'S YOUTH SERVICES COMMITTEE AGENDA July 8, 2025 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM

#### *Remote Meeting:*

This meeting will be held remotely by Zoom interactive conference technology. Board members, staff, and members of the public may participate in the remote meeting by using the following Zoom link:

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84052548470?pwd=PJs87sPFDbl6kNDIGRVfwtv1imSaNs.1

If you do not have the technology or ability to join the remote meeting via Zoom, please dial +1 (669) 444-9171 on the telephone to participate in the remote meeting.

Meeting ID: 840 5254 8470

Passcode: 032867

# **Physical Meeting:**

A physical meeting location will be open to the public and will have an audiovisual connection, which will allow individuals at the physical meeting location to participate in the remote meeting. The address of the physical meeting location is 830 Punchbowl Street, Room #317, Honolulu, HI 96813.

## Written and Oral Testimony:

Individuals may submit written testimony by U.S. mail or hand delivery at 830 Punchbowl Street, Suite 317, Honolulu, HI 96813 or by email at DLIR.Workforce.Council@hawaii.gov. To ensure that members are able to review testimony prior to the meeting, we encourage interested persons to submit written testimony by 24 hours prior to the meeting. Any written testimony submitted after such time testimony will be retained as part of the record and distributed to members as soon as practicable, but we cannot ensure members will receive it in sufficient time to review prior to any decision-making.

Individuals may provide remote oral testimony during the remote meeting at the Zoom link listed above. Individuals participating at the physical meeting location may also provide oral testimony during the remote meeting.

# **Equal Opportunity Employer/Program**

If you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, please contact Bennette Misalucha at (808) 586-8815 (for TTY/TTD Dial 711 then ask for (808) 586-8815) or email dlir.workforce.council@hawaii.gov as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible will allow adequate time to fulfill your request. Upon request, this notice is available in alternative formats such as large print, Braille, or electronic copy.

### **AGENDA**

#### II. Presentations

A. Pathways to Meaningful Work Symposium Highlights

Presenter: Rylie Hager, MSCJ, Program Manager, Prison Education, Chaminade

University

Hosted by Chaminade University, the *Pathways to Meaningful Work*Symposium highlighted collaborative efforts to strengthen educationemployment pathways for formerly incarcerated individuals in Hawai'i. This
event brought together educators, employers, policy leaders, and community

organizations to explore how education can serve as a bridge to career readiness and successful reentry.

At the heart of this work is Chaminade's Prison Education Program, which offers college-level coursework and holistic support to incarcerated students. By focusing on skill-building, mentorship, and employment alignment, the program prepares individuals for meaningful work and reintegration into the community.

# **Key Topics:**

- 1. An overview of Chaminade's Prison Education Program and its statewide impact
- 2. A recap of the *Pathways to Meaningful Work* Symposium
- 3. Building education-to-employment pipelines for Hawai'i's youth and adults affected by incarceration
- B. Creative Careers and Youth Empowerment Through Film *Presenter: Kanani Foster, Director, Cherry Street Films*Cherry Street Films champions creative storytelling while nurturing the next generation of filmmakers through innovative youth development programs. Through hands-on film camps and mentorship opportunities across Hawaii, the organization provides young people with technical skills, creative expression outlets, and professional development in the growing creative economy. Foster's work demonstrates how the film and media industry can serve as a powerful platform for youth engagement, cultural preservation, and career pathway development in Hawaii's evolving creative landscape. Key Topics:
  - 1. Career journey and opportunities in Hawaii's creative industry
  - 2. Youth film camp programs and their impact on participants
  - 3. Building technical and professional skills through creative media
  - 4. Guidance for young people pursuing careers in film and creative arts
- - B. Agenda for the upcoming Workforce Synergy Summit II

- C. Update on the Workforce Development Council roles and responsibilities.
- D. Status on the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act unexpended funds for Program Year 2022.
- IV. 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.

- V. Next Meeting: The next meeting for the Youth Services Committee is tentatively scheduled for October 1, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. VIA Zoom or in person at 830 Punchbowl Street, Suite 317 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813.
- VI. Adjournment