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Oversight Committee Meeting April 19, 2017 @2:30pm One Stop Career Center

Attendance:

Nicole Milan-Tyner

David Simmons

Paul McClellan

Eric Reynolds

Gerald Del Rosso

Maryann McGhee

Fran Kuhn

Rhonda Lowery

Jim Waters

Alicia Oatman

Minutes:

The meeting was called to order by Rhonda Lowery. A motion was made by Paul McClellan to approve the minutes from a meeting held on January 18, 2017 and it seconded by Fran Kuhn.

Rhonda Lowery reports that the bid was released today on the Atlantic County Portal. The bid is due back on May 12, 2017. During this process 3-5 committee members are needed to review and score the proposal as they come. The of the current contracts renewal are due to be reviewed as well, i.e. In-School Youth, Out of School Youth, Job Placement/Job Development. Dan Kelly has agreed to review however we are need of more reviewers for this as well.

Jerry Del Rosso asked the committee to address the following:

1. No Shows
2. Work Readiness
3. Referrals
4. Billing for FT & PT

Fran Kuhn states that the benchmarks should be paid according to employment. Customer no shows have improved in some however the Food Stamp population has difficulty due to the ruling for those receiving General Assistance. Clarity from the eligibility department would be most helpful to ensure the best practice for all customers. James Waters indicated that transportation is an ongoing issue within Trenton. Workers priority of cases determines the outcome of transportation payments in a timely manner. The One Stop usually will accommodate customers with bus tickets to get to their activities however this cannot continue. A letter was sent to the Commissioner as per Forrest Gilmore and all monies for customers activities transportation is to be added to the EBT card. Maryann McGhee added that she has sent customer compliance to the eligibility department however it was not addressed until 2-3 weeks later. This poses a problem for customers that do not have any type of transportation to get their required activity. Jerry Del Rosso will contact the Forrest Gilmore Executive Director of Family Community Development to inquire regarding the ruling on transportation monies.

Currently there are approximately 150 referrals sent to providers with the AC Chamber receiving slightly more. Eric Reynolds pointed out that the AC Chamber has partnered with other agencies that offer similar services however the Chamber does rely on the One Stop for referrals to ensure that the required benchmarks are met, 65% of referrals are WIOA adults that are work ready. It is unclear at this point as to how many youth referrals there are. Rhonda Lowery added that WorkAC has seen 168 dislocated workers thus far with most being work ready. WorkAC is working is due to advertisement as well as word of mouth. Eric Reynolds requested a list of customers that are in training Paul McClellan added that Employment Services average

approximately 40 customers in Job Club, 40 RESEA, and 100-150 is unemployment. Seemingly dislocated workers are challenging due to the State funds that the customer receives. According to Fran Kuhn “Engaged by Cell” is a volunteer texting service that could potentially be a tool in informing customers. A representative will visit the Atlantic County area to offer a cost effective package. This is similar to the services that schools use as well as doctor’s offices. This will alleviate postage cost however we must have and or keep updated customer cell numbers. Jerry Del Rosso will inquire with Atlantic County Department of Administration to see if the Code Red Company will give access to have a texting system for non-emergent messages.

Partner Updates

Maryann McGhee America Works- Forklift Certifications has started with 8-10 customers in attendance. Serve Save reports customer credentials and America Works gives TIPS certification for customers that serve alcohol.

David Simmons VOA- working with the Ex-Offender population assisting them to obtain their identifiers i.e. ID’s, birth certs, etc. Please note that Eric Reynolds gave an opportunity to our clients to obtain employment. We will provide bus tickets to customers that are receiving services from the One Stop. Please feel free to refer ex-offenders to our agency.

James Waters FCD- 100 cases were transferred to the To-Work unit. We will be meeting with DFD in the month of June as we are endeavoring to get cases completed in a more efficient time frame.

Nicole Milan-Tyner Stockton- Focusing on computer training as well as Serve Save Certifications. Job Skills/Job Placement is at 50%.

Dan Kelly Community Quest- We currently have internships and CODI and Stockton University.

Eric Reynolds Chair- we are working with WorkAC. We are at 50% of our placement goal and this is hiring season therefor this should pick up. We have written approximately 32 OJT contracts thus far.

Paul McClellan Employment Services- Most of the casinos that we’ve contact are going to forward us a the dates and times of job fairs, open positions, etc. the job opening that come in can be viewed on the big screen TV in our office. We contact customers personally regarding employment. Our BSR has been in contact with the new Walmart located in EHT NJ and will open in the month of June.

No old Business

New Business

Rhonda Lowery- a meeting was held the City of AC regarding youth employment. Summer Youth Employment Program will be be excepting application from all Atlantic County youth residents ages 18-24. See attached flyer.



Youth Summer
Employment Program

This program will include four weeks Life Skills training with a stipend. Once the youth is hired by an employer the employer in turn will be reimbursed 50%. Once we have secured employers we will begin the recruiting.

Meet adjourned 4pm